

Ward Four FPD Minutes, March 27, 2017

A regular meeting of the Ward Four Fire Protection District of Jackson Parish was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on March 27, 2017, at the fire district's Central Station, located at 261 Hwy 505, Jonesboro, La. This meeting was called to order by Kent Hightower, fire district board president.

Fire district board members in attendance included Doyce McGuffie, Cliff Rogers, Kent Hightower, and Richard Barlow. Others in attendance included Curtis Roller, Scott Savage, and Scotty Nunn.

Cliff Rogers presented the opening prayer.

There were no public comments.

After reviewing the minutes of the February 27, 2017 fire district board meeting. Cliff Rogers offered a motion to accept these as presented. Richard Barlow seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The fire board next reviewed the Feb. 2017 financials for payment. Richard Barlow made a motion to accept the report as provided. Doyce McGuffie provided the second and the motion carried.

A motion was then made by Cliff Rogers to amend the agenda making item 1A to consider a new member application and Item 1B consider moving the May meeting date away from Memorial Day. Richard Barlow seconded the motion and the motion passed. An opportunity for public comments on this agenda change was provided.

The fire board then was presented with a list to review of all past due parcel fees.

The district fire chief then reported on the 2017 annual parcel fee assessment. Of some 1423 mailed 700 had been received by the fire district.

The board then heard that the person providing the drawings of the Memorial Project had not furnished anything to the fire district yet.

The next item of business was to open the bids for lawn care for the 2017 mowing season. One bid was received by the fire district. Jordan Services submitted a bid that met all the specified bid qualifications. The insurance requirement was met and Richard Barlow offered a motion to accept the bid. Cliff Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Richard Barlow then made a motion to accept Joshua Halbrook as a probationary volunteer. Cliff Rogers seconded this action and the motion carried.

A discussion followed as to the meeting date for the May regular board meeting which falls on Memorial Day. Doyce McGuffie Offered a motion to move this meeting to 7:00 p.m., May 30, 2017, at the Ward 4 FPD Central Station, located at 261 Hwy 505, Jonesboro, LA, 71251. Richard Barlow provided a second and the motion carried.

The board was advised that it is now once again time to test the fire district's self-contained breathing apparatus once again. Richard Barlow made a motion to fund this testing. Cliff Rogers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

The board was then informed of a public education event coming to the fire district's Central Station to host the Weston High School Pre-K Class. Cliff Rogers made a motion to fund this public education opportunity. Doyce McGuffie seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Richard Barlow made a motion to fund the education of Tyler Tippen and Marc Thomas as certified divers. Doyce McGuffie seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Richard Barlow offered a motion to repair Engine 1 as needed. Cliff Rogers seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Richard Barlow made a motion to repair Service 2 as needed. Doyce McGuffie seconded the motion and this action passed.

The only closing comments came from the assistant district fire chief.

Cliff Rogers then made a motion to adjourn. The action was seconded by Richard Barlow and the action passed.

