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Regular Public Meeting of the Board of Commissioners July 13, 2022 *Meeting Minutes*

Called To Order:

Vice Chairman Murphy Arsenaux called the meeting to order on Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Murphy Arsenaux, Raymond Batiste, and Jeanne Hutchison are present. Mr. Danny MacGregor and Mr. Leo Casanave were absent.

Chad Danenhower was present.

Secretary Minutes:

Approve minutes of June 8, 2022.

Mrs. Hutchison made a motion to approve the minutes from June 8, 2022 regular meeting. Mr. Batiste seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

Treasurer Report:

The Sinking Fund Account opened with \$1500.72, ending balance of \$1500.76.

The Capital Asset Account opened with \$42,750.49, interest paid \$1.05, with an ending balance of \$42,751.54.

The Allocated Account opened with \$47,721.97, interest paid \$58.84, with an ending balance of \$47,780.81.

The Operating Account opened with \$1,649,783.63, credits of \$266,657.03, debits of \$216,565.35, interest paid \$2167.69, with an ending balance of \$1,702,043.00. There were two UPL payments totaling \$127,595.52 and \$10,639.73 received from the grant for Hurricane Ida.

Mr. Batiste made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Mr. Arsenaux seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

Chief's Report:

1) YTD incidents. Chief Sicard stated that year to date – Total call volume 1001, 789 EMS. 212 Non EMS or Fire calls.

2) Monthly Incidents. June ended with 105 EMS calls, 26 Non-EMS or Fire with a total of 131 calls for June.

3) Donate hose to Recreation District 4. Chief Sicard stated that the Recreation district would like any old hose and nozzle from the Department. They need these to help keep the grass watered on the fields. Chief Sicard stated that the Department has replaced some of the old nozzles and hoses recently and should have two old hoses and one old nozzle to surplus and donate to the Rec. District if the Board approves.

Mr. Batiste made a motion to surplus two hoses and one nozzle. Mrs. Hutchison seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

Mrs. Hutchison made a motion to donate the two hoses and one nozzle to Recreation District 4. Mr. Batiste seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

4) Discussion of Policy making. Chief Sicard stated that there was no reason to discuss the policy making. He had confirmed with Mark that the Board has no involvement in policy making. He mentioned that there is a State Statute that the Board of Commissioners do not get involved in the day to day operations, which part of that is policy making which is the Chief's job description. The Board can be made aware but he did not need the Board's approval on policies.

Assistant Chief's Report:

1) HURST training. Assistant Chief Geissler stated that the Department received training on the extrication equipment that was received last month from the Firehouse subs grant. The Department had training with MES, which was the vendor and represents HURST. The Department received three vehicles to use the tools hands on to practice extrication exercises. These skills were unfortunately used on scenes this last month.

2) District 1 training. He is working with District 1 trying to have more weekly and monthly training. There are also guys taking Officer II, Instructor II and Driver Operator classes scheduled starting this month through September.

New Business:

1) Appoint Governing Authority Civil Service Board Member. David Broughton's term on the civil service board will expire July 31st. He has agreed to stay on the Civil Service Board for another term. Mr. Batiste made a motion to appoint David Broughton as the Governing Authority Civil Service Board member. Mrs. Hutchison seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

2) Discussion of proposed Departmental projects. Chief Sicard stated that with the UPL money and the grant money received from Hurricane Ida, there is extra revenue to take care of a few needed projects. He submitted a list of proposed projects and stated that this is for FYI only, there will be no votes taken on these projects since he is in the process of getting estimates and other needed information. He would like to have this information for the August meeting.

Adjournment:

Mr. Bastite made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Hutchison seconded. A vote was taken.

Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 6:51.