

ST. TAMMANY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #8
Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting
April 27, 2022

Call to Order: 10:17am

Roll Call:

Michael Anderson, Chairman
Sandra Slifer, Vice-Chairwoman
Brandon Brener
Jeff King

Also, Present:

Susan Ohlenforst, Board Secretary
Chief Brandon Stein
Captain Fuselier

Absent:

Stephen Saussy(listened in via voice call)

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited

Modification of Agenda: Motion by Slifer to add American Tower new tenant (AT&T discussion to new business, Seconded by King. It was unanimously approved.

Hearing of Public Concerns: None

Secretary's Report:

Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by King, the meeting minutes for March 16, 2022, were unanimously approved.

Financial Report including a P&L Budget Performance for the month of March 2022 and a Check Register Report for the General Fund Account up to March 31, 2022, was presented. Balance of General Fund as of March 31, 2022, was \$1,325,239.489 with \$987,028.43 being current year funds and \$338,211.05 being Capital Funds from previous years money. The balance in the Emergency Fund was \$280,039.71 including the certificate of deposit in the amount of \$20,000.00. Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by King, the financial statements for March 2022 were unanimously approved.

Communications: FICA ALT Plan is schedule to begin on 5/1/2022. Annual Raise for Op Aaron Sallean and Op Aaron Gouzien 2 years. 2021 Audit is finished. We received the LWCC dividend check in the amount of \$38,823.58

Chief's Report:

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Vehicles and equipment

Normal general repairs and upkeep on units.
Hand tools were purchased for the shed. Tools were needed for multiple reasons.
Basic hand tools have not been purchased in years.

Facilities

Station-82 generator enclosure electrical has been completed with lighting and outlets.
One wall pack on rear of Station-82 will be replaced (on order) and the electrical for the water well will be buried to complete all outstanding projects at Station 82.

Personnel

Current personnel numbers are as follows:
Paid- 13 Part-time- 13 Volunteer-6
3 Personnel were hired full time. One was placed directly on shift, two personnel along with two alternates are attending Fire District 11 Rookie School. Two alternates will become part-time once achieving certification. The two alternates will be moved into full time positions as needed.

Training

Normal training will continue. Two recruits are attending FD 11 rookie school along with two alternates that will become part-time once achieving certification.

Annual testing and inspections

All continuing as scheduled

Old Business:

Station 81 new/remodel: After the first meeting of the new station committee, it was determined that a survey of the property was needed. The amount needed for said survey should not exceed the amount of \$2500.00. Upon motion by Brener, seconded by King, it was unanimously approved to order survey.

Millage Discussion: After discussion, Chief Stein made a recommendation to the board to roll up. Upon motion by Slifer, seconded by King it was unanimously approved to roll up.

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Upcoming annual performance review: Fire Chief and Administrative Assistant:

Chairman Anderson stated we he was waiting on two more reviews. This will be tabled until the May meeting.

New Business:

Health Insurance Renewal Discussion: Ohlenforst stated she had a conversation with Jonathan Lagarde. He did not have the renewal just yet. However, he wanted us to be prepared for a significant rate hike. Chief Stein wanted to make sure the insurance company would look at our claims compared to the amount of premiums we are paying.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Slifer to adjourn, seconded by Brener, the motion was unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.