

MINUTES OF T.P. RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2
JUNE 24, 2024

The Commissioners of T.P. Rural Fire Protection District No. 2 met in REGULAR SESSION on Monday, June 24, 2024, at the Tangipahoa Parish Gordon A Burgess Governmental Building, 206 East Mulberry Steet, Amite, LA following the regular meeting of the Tangipahoa Parish Council and was called to order by Brigitte Hyde, President.

The following members were PRESENT: Darrell Sinagra, John Ingraffia, Louis Joseph, Joseph Havis, Buddy Ridgel, Joey Mayeaux, Lionell Wells, David Vial, Brigitte Hyde, Strader Cieutat

PUBLIC INPUT – Jim Ryan read aloud Pursuant to LA. R.S. 42:19.1, Notice of Consideration of action regarding ad valorem tax, Notice is hereby given that Rural Fire Protection District No. 2 of the Parish of Tangipahoa, State of Louisiana will meet on Monday, July 22, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., at the Tangipahoa Parish Gordon A. Burgess Governmental Building, 206 East Mulberry Street, Amite, Louisiana, at which time there will be consideration of action regarding calling an election for the renewal of the levy and collection of an existing ad valorem tax dedicated to maintaining and operating the District’s fire protection facilities, for maintaining, operating and purchasing fire trucks and other fire-fighting equipment and paying the cost of obtaining water for fire protection purposes including charges for fire hydrant rentals and service, and providing emergency services to the residents of the District.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated May 13, 2024. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

HAMMOND FIRE MATTERS

1. Approval to purchase – Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve the purchase off State Contract (1) Ford F150 Crew Cab 4x4 for contract price \$46,887.68. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

PONCHATOULA FIRE MATTERS

2. Ratification of position – Motion by Mrs. Cieutat, seconded by Mr. Vial to ratify a full-time position at \$12.00/hr. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

MANCHAC FIRE MATTERS

3. Ratification of position – Motion by Mrs. Cieutat, seconded by Mr. Wells to ratify a part-time position at \$500/month. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

HUSSER FIRE MATTERS

4. Ratification of position – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to ratify a part-time position at \$10.00/hour. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
5. Approval to Dispose – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Vial to approve the disposal of Asset# F4033 Powerhrt AED. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

LORANGER FIRE MATTERS

6. Approval to Surplus and Sell – Motion by Mr. Ingraffia, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve the surplus and sell of 1983 Mack Pumper VIN# 1M1A139C2BM001419 and 1985 Pierce Pumper VIN# 1P9CA01J1GA0401858. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

WILMER FIRE MATTERS

7. Ratification of positions – Motion by Mr. Sinagra, seconded by Mr. Ingraffia to ratify (2) part-time positions at \$12.00/hour. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

KENTWOOD FIRE MATTERS

8. Ratification of position – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Sinagra to ratify a full-time position at \$10.00/hour. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

NATALBANY FIRE MATTERS

Items 9 and 10 were taken together

9. Ratification of position
10. Ratification of position – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Mayeaux to ratify a full-time position at \$9.75/hr and ratify a position from part-time to full-time at \$9.75/hr for. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
11. Ratification of Pay Raises – Motion by Mr. Mayeaux, seconded by Mr. Ridgel to ratify pay raises for Operator Certifications, C. Cusick from \$11.40 to \$11.65, R. Rayborn from \$11.30 to \$11.55, C. Mayeux from \$10.60 to \$11.60. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
12. Ratification of Pay Raises – Motion by Mr. Ridgel, seconded by Mr. Havis to ratify 2024 Cost of Living 3% Pay Raise for department. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

- 13. Approval of Official Journal – Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Havis to approve the one bid by Daily Star, \$6.00/100 at 7pt for the Official Journal for TPRFP #2 (*July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025*). Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
- 14. Adoption of TPRFP No. 2 Resolution 24-06 - A Resolution to surplus and donate a 1988 Ford Pumper VIN# 1FDPK74A5JVA25190 to Tangipahoa Parish Fire Protection District No. 1 – Motion by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Havis to adopt TPRFP No. 2 Resolution 24-06. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat
- 15. Approve to adopt amended Budget Procedures – Dennis James discussed the amendments highlighted in yellow provided in each board member’s packet. Motion by Mr. Vial, seconded by Mr. Joseph to approve the amended budget procedures as presented. Roll call vote as follows: YEA: Mr. Sinagra, Mr. Ingraffia, Mr. Joseph, Mr. Havis, Mr. Ridgel, Mr. Mayeaux, Mr. Wells, Mr. Vial, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cieutat

OTHER FIRE MATTERS

Mr. Atkins made it known Middendorf’s owner contacted him regarding not being able to get Insurance due to the Manchac fire department having high ratings. Mr. Atkins made the board aware he was working with Ponchatoula Fire Chief to assist with getting the ratings lowered for Manchac fire department.

ADJOURN

With no further discussion, Motion by Mr. Wells to adjourn the meeting. No opposition.

S/Jill DeSouge, Secretary
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S/Brigette Hyde, President
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