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Fire Protection Class 3

February 9, 2021

Regular Monthly Business Meeting Agenda

* Meeting was called to order @ 7:50pm by President, Amanda Martin
* Let us have a moment of silence and say the pledge.
* Please remember to silence your phone and pagers now.
* All members eligible to vote will vote please test your clickers. TVM = 17
* Roll call.
* Opening Bids on the old maintenance truck
  + Keith Ricks – bid $1,100
  + Carl Chapman – bid $1,000
    - Amanda will contact both bidders tomorrow to award the bid to Keith Ricks since he has the highest bid.

***Old Business***

* The January Meeting Minutes have been sent for review.
* New members coming off probation:
  + None
* Nominations for At-Large Board of Directors
  + - Eric Rawls nominated Derek Gaubert. Declined.
    - Taylor Manuel nominated Abbie Fontenot. Declined.
    - Anthony Branson nominated Micah Reyna. Accepted.
    - Stacy Fallon nominated Will Usry. Declined.
    - Abbie Fontenot nominated Anthony Branson. Declined.
    - Zachary Reyna nominated Megan Belton. Accepted.
    - Oliver Dufrene nominated John Lee. Declined.
    - Abbie Fontenot nominated Wade Hebert. Accepted.
    - Derek Gaubert nominated Anthony Zeller. Declined.
  + Motion to close nominations made by Ryan Costa, 2nd by Micah Reyna
    - Y-17, N-0, A-0
    - Motion passed
    - Congrats to Micah, Megan, and Wade!

***New Business***

***Administration Reports***

* President- Amanda Martin
  + Update beneficiary information.
  + Happy Birthday to John Lee, and Braeden Sardenga.
* Vice President- Stacy Fallon
  + Thanks to everyone that have been supporting the fire service and thanks to the chefs.
* Secretary- Hannah Rawls
  + None.
* Treasurer-Hannah Rawls
  + Financial Report (see attachment) was emailed to the department.

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| ACCOUNTS | 1/12/21 | 2/9/21 |
| Private Account | $10,449.99 | $10,449.99 |
| Expense Account | $291,914.66 | $283,375.76 |
| Savings Account | $97,963.33 | $98,042.54 |
| 2-12 Month CD | $100,000.00 | $100,000.00 |
| Together total | $500,327.98 | $491,868.29 |

* + Discussion:
    - Finances – Approved
* Sgt. at Arms- Open

***Fire Line Reports***

* Lieutenant (615) Zachary Reyna
  + None
* Captain (620) Ryan Costa
  + None
* Captain (610) Jerry Montz
  + None
* Training Officer (609) Ian Fallon
  + Please respond to the email from Hannah asking about your current certifications.
  + Do not forget to get your NIMS training completed.
  + LSU training will be the third Tuesday of the month.
  + Training center usage contract was signed.
  + Discussed joint trainings with Bayou Gauche VFD and they will begin to join us for some trainings.
  + Completed a rope rescue training on a Friday with neighboring departments.
* Safety Officer (608) Eric Rawls
  + None
* Deputy Fire Chief (602) Taylor Manuel
  + 2 sets of bunker gear have been delivered.
  + Would like to complete hydrant testing before April.
  + Looking at purchasing a different style of helmet in the future.
  + Remember to be professional when working with other agencies on scenes.
  + Announcement of the 2021-2022 Fireline Officer Positions
    - Fire Chief – Oliver Dufrene (601)
    - Deputy Chief – Taylor Manuel (602)
    - Proposing implementing the Assistant Chief position with the recommendation of Ian Fallon (603)
    - Safety Officer – Eric Rawls (608)
    - Training Officer – Derek Gaubert (609)
    - Captain – Jerry Montz (610)
    - Captain – Ryan Costa (620)
    - Captain – Zachary Reyna (630)
    - Lieutenant – Tevin Matthews (615)
    - Lieutenant – Abbie Fontenot (625)
  + Motion to open nominations for Assistant Chief made by Ryan Costa, 2nd by Anthony Zeller
    - Y-16, N-0, A-1
    - Motion passed
      * Tevin Matthews nominates Ian Fallon. Accepted.
  + Motion to close nominations made by Anthony Branson, 2nd by Christian Gaubert.
    - Discussion:
      * Hannah Rawls – this motion would override the current bylaw requirements for keeping nominations open for 30 days. 2/3 vote is needed for this to pass (11 votes)
        + Y-15, N-2, A-0

Motion passes

Congratulations Ian!

* Fire Chief (601) Oliver Dufrene, Jr.
  + Thanks to the new people who are stepping up.
  + We will be tracking your training center hours for rating. To be considered an active firefighter you will need to log a certain amount of hours at our training center. It does not have to be on the Tuesdays that we go and it can be with other departments.
  + April 24th we have a demo scheduled with Amkus and DeWalt tools.
  + The floor will be being redone.
  + Expanding the 9-1-1 center to bring it up to Hurricane strength.

***Membership Reports/Concerns/Questions***

* Anyone who has a problem or concern, please take this time to ask and discuss with the membership**.**
  + Ian Fallon
    - Make sure you clean up after yourself after using the bathroom.

***Committee Reports***

* **Activities Committee:** 
  + None
* **Budget Committee**:
  + None
* **Bylaw Committee:**
  + Nothing further
* **Family Day**: None
* **Fire Prevention Day Committee**: None
* **Management Workshop Committee**:
  + Installation Banquet will be on February 27th starting at 5pm
  + Option 1 was voted on for the meal.
* **IT Committee**:
  + February 15th at 6:30pm we will be having a OneDrive training.
* **Junior Fire Program:** 
  + None
* **Uniform Committee**:
  + None
* **Board of Directors:** 
  + Amanda Martin
    - February 17th at 6pm

***Membership***

* Vote to accept members currently on 30-90 day probation, review new applications, excused absences, leave of absence, or resignation etc.
* **New Applications:** 
  + Hope Pitre
    - Senior Firefighter
    - On probation until May 2021
* **Excessive Absences Report:** 
  + Kyle Ching
  + Angela Dufrene
  + Kolby Hebert
    - Back active
  + Taylor Manuel
    - Back active
  + Eric Rawls
    - Back active
  + Hannah Rawls
    - Back active
  + Tabatha Shepherd
    - Has submitted a LOA
* **Leave of Absence requests:** 
  + Tabatha Shepherd
    - 2 months
      * Motion to accept made by Ryan Costa, 2nd by Zachary Reyna
        + Discussion: she will need to turn in all of her things.
        + Y-11, N-2, A-4

Motion passed

**\*\*\*TVM – 16 Tevin Matthews left\*\*\***

* **Resignations:** 
  + None
* **Station Usage:**
  + Zachary Reyna – Baby Shower – 2/21
* **Next Association Meeting:**
  + March
* **Purchase Request:(fill in as many as needed):**
  + Hannah Rawls – Station 62 lettering – approved budget of $4,000 and the estimate came back in $966 more than approved.
    - Motion to approve quote as long as there is a sturdy backing behind the vinyl made by Amanda Martin, 2nd Stacy Fallon
      * Y-15, N-0, A-1
      * Motion passed.
* **Any other New Business:**
  + Oliver Dufrene
    - Magnets are located at the back of the station if you would like to take them.
    - Motion to begin the process for hiring another full time position with a timeframe start in April, 2nd by Anthony Zeller
      * Y-11, N-4, A-1
        + Motion passes
* **Closing remarks:** 
  + Amanda Martin
    - Thanks for the support with the meetings being long.
* **Motion to adjourn:** 
  + Motion to adjourn made by Ryan Costa, 2nd by Abbie Fontenot
  + Meeting ended at 9:47pm.

Legend:

TVM- Total voting members

* **Fire Line Officers for 2021-2022**
  + Fire Chief- Oliver Dufrene
  + Deputy Chief- Taylor Manuel
  + Captain- Jerry Montz
  + Captain- Ryan Costa
  + Training Officer – Ian Fallon
  + Safety Officer – Eric Rawls
  + Lieutenant- Zachary Reyna
* **Administration Officers for 2020-2021**
  + President- Amanda Martin
  + Vice President- Stacy Fallon
  + Secretary- Hannah Rawls
  + Treasurer- Hannah Rawls
  + Sergeant-at-Arms- Open
* **Board of Directors** 
  + Taylor Manuel
  + Stacy Fallon
  + Amanda Martin
  + Hannah Rawls
  + Tabatha Shephard
  + Abbie Fontenot
  + Derek Gaubert

Amanda Martin, President \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hannah Rawls, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_