

**HAHNVILLE VOL FIRE DEPARTMENT
BUSINESS MEETING (March 4, 2015)**

President Christopher Boros called the meeting to order at 1900 hours. There were 17 members present.

Business Minutes: The minutes from the February 4, 2015 Business Meeting was read, motion made by Donna Boros to accept minutes, 2nd by Dwayne Tregre, members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass. For now on all Business Meeting minutes will be posted on website by Matt Allhouse.

Advisory Board Minutes: There was no Advisory Board meeting on March 2, 2015 due to lack of participation.

Treasury Report: The treasurer's report for the month of February 2015 was read, motion made by Jody Zeringue to accept minutes, 2nd by Jeff Raia, members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass. Dues are due this month.

Meetings: Next Finance Committee meeting will be 3/30/2015 at 1830 hours. Next Advisory Board meeting will be 3/30/2015 at 1900 hours. Next Business meeting will be 4/1/2015 at 1900 hours. Next Association meeting will be 3/12/2015 in Killona.

Fire Chiefs Report: PIAL Packet- We received 30 day extension letter, everything is complete, just waiting for Oliver Dufrene to go over to make sure we did complete everything. Waterford 3 Drill/Training Hostile Action Drill on May 6 is rehearsal and June 24 is drill. Jack Landry and Matt Allhouse to attend Waterford 3 meeting on March 10, 2015 from 9-11:30am. Fire call at River Park Apartments about a week ago, stated water heater on fire, but it was just electrical problems. There is a lot of illegal electrical connections and due to potential harm for people, Fire Marshall was notified and is involved and will investigate. Please careful going to calls to River Park Apartments at this time. Smoke detectors not working correctly and extinguishers not inspected since a long period of time.

Asst Chiefs Report: There was a call in Luling, burning smell in trailer. Heater unit wasn't working. Make sure to isolate the main breaker. Treat all circuits live unless otherwise. Let Matt or Jack know when a truck gets back in service.

Station 31 report: We had issues with roof since roof was repaired. If contractor will not contact us and repair in timely matter we will need to exercise his insurance bond. We will be asking to replace Sheetrock, ceiling tiles, and whatever else that needs to be replaced. Tru Fuel came in. Little cans on trucks instead of big cans. Regular gas on lawn mowers. Will be getting a quote from JaniKing because Quality Cleaning has not been doing a good job after several calls had been made to Quality to correct the problem. If anyone has suggestions to add to list of duties please let Chris Boros know. Mrs Grayle Howard had to cancel our meal for tonight's meeting due to sickness.

Station 32 report: If you are using gym, please wipe equipment before and after every use. Will need to post a list of rules for gym use. Load test on generator and had multiple repairs. Everything has been resolved on generator. Will need to start looking and budgeting for a new generator in the next few years. Having problems with rats, will look into a quote for rat control with current pest control company.

Grants: No Report

Jr. Fireman: Will start making Juniors train with everyone.

Training: Training schedule is being posted on website. LSU will be here at times this year. Will be having training a center in Luling and will deal with mosquitoes. Please let us know if anyone interested in NIMS 300 training. LSU has spots available in Vehicle Extrication on April 6-10. LSFSA Competitive Drills @ Luling on April 25, need to at least 5 people to participate. Please let Jack or Matt know if anyone wants to participate. St Charles Fireman Assoc. Scholarship eligibility need to be turned in before March 12. Nominations will be announced at March 12 meeting. Please get with Chris Boros after meeting to verify your information with State Fire Marshall's rooster.

Fire Prevention: No Report

Safety: We had a few incidents. Remember if Safety tells you to stop what you are doing during event or exercise, please listen and stop.

Sergeant of Arms: No Report

SOP/SOG: This meeting we discussed # 702.20 (Chief's Vehicle Guideline). Please read this document and make sure you are aware of the information.

Old Business:

* New Jump Starter was purchased and will be in service in bay at Station 31.

* Paid FireFighter- We did speak with Harold Colasky(legal) and he stated that 3 year contract is too long to require someone to actually sign a commitment for. What we can do is have it set for 18 months and break down the full costs of training as payments if the person was to terminate their contract. It would be a prorated amount and has to be stipulated in the contract. 18 months is the most you can go on a contract stated by Harold Colasky. 3 yr contract is not illegal, it's just not appropriate. It would be best to not have it as a contract but as an employee commitment. Everything else on contract and application is acceptable except for rate of pay, needs to state to be determined by the Advisory Board. Harold will also change minor proper words terminology and after it will be posted on website and in newspapers. Motion was made by Davis Nicholas Jr. to update application/employee commitment to 18 months prorated amount for the full costs of training and pay rate to be determine upon qualification. That if applicant does not have certain qualifications that applicant will agree to additional training and HVFD will agree to pay for additional training with a 18 month employment commitment. If applicant voids commitment within time frame, applicant will be responsible to paid back full training costs at a prorated amount. 2Nd by Matt Allhouse, members voted 11 yes / 0 no, motion does pass. Call special Business Meeting to vote on updated changes if not completed close to the next Business Meeting.

* Installation- Deposit was paid for River Room and date set for January 23, 2016

* PIAL Packet will be turned in ASAP.

* Conferences for 2015 was discussed and posted. Please sign up if you are interested in going. The membership will vote to send those people to conferences. Will try to send a minimum of 2 people. Will need to vote now on upcoming LSFA/LFFC conference in Marksville because rooms are limited. Those who signed up are: Reggie Gaubert, Jack Landry, and Jeffrey Tregre. This is about the new PIAL rating. Motion made by Jody Zeringue to send all 3 members to LSFA/LFFC conference in Marksville, costs include hotel rooms, conference fees, gas, and food. 2Nd by Donna Boros, members voted 8 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.

* Uniforms was discussed. Matt Allhouse needs to talk with APE to get it right with cotton, not poly. Still working on it.

* Bunker Gear- Our quotes are out dated and Janeville did go up but still the cheapest. Did get updated quote from National Fire Equipment Company and BGS. Motion made by Daren Drumm to accept new quote with price increase and to still use Janeville. 2Nd by Jody Zeringue, members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.

* Dish Network is working good at Station 32.

* Gym up and running – Novalis Machine is still out of service.

* Generator at Station 32 is fixed and all repaired.

* DesAllemands Parade – There was an incident with Fire Truck scratching another vehicle. Incident report was made.

* Choctaw Parade is coming up, please let Chris Boros know if anyone would like to attend. Will use Hose Tender Truck, hasn't been ran in long time. Just be careful if you sit in back of truck.

* Physicals will be in November 2015. Please sign up if anyone is interested.

*Class was canceled for Railcar/Emergency Response on 2/24/15 in Belle Chase.

New Business:

*HFVD was served with a lawsuit by Mr. Stanley Wadja. Papers are posted for anyone to read. We called VFIS and they are handling everything. They assigned a law firm to the case. They received all the information they needed at this time.

* Received a call from Sergeant Graffio at HHS. They would like to use our station for ROTC Cyber Patrix for 2 competitions. Waterford 3 would also like to use our Station 31 for a union meeting and would like to make a donation for station use. Motion made by Matt Allhouse to allow HHS ROTC and Waterford 3 Union to use stations for these 2 purposes only at this time. 2Nd by James Zeringue Jr., members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.

* Under our policy, members being inactive in 6 months, they will be removed off of rooster. These members to include: John Howard, Carol Wadja, Chris Williams, Frankie Williams

* Annual Crawfish Boil tentative in May 2015.

* If you are currently serving on a board, please make sure you attend all meetings.

Purchases Request:

1. Gen South for generator repairs at a cost of \$2357.02. Motion made by Donna Boros to authorize this purchase, 2nd by Davis Nicholas Jr., members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.
2. 30- MSA SCBA Mask Straps at a total cost of \$840.00. Suggested vendor Casco. Motion made by Dwayne Tregre to authorize this purchase, 2nd by Donna Boros, members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.
3. 4- Streamlight Battery at a total cost of \$100.00. Suggested vendor Broadband Communications. Motion made by Donna Boros to authorize this purchase, 2nd by Davis Nicholas Jr., members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.
4. 5- 1201400/ Globe- Leather Boots at a total cost of \$1650.00. 1- MSA 1044/ Defender Deluxe Helmet Orange at a cost of \$280.00. Total costs together \$1930.00. Suggested vendor Casco. Motion made by Donna Boros to authorize this purchase, 2nd by Jeff Raia, members voted 12 yes / 0 no, motion does pass.

New Members:

Kody Dufrene 3rd meeting, members voted by secret ballot, 16 yes / 0 no. Kody Dufrene is now a member of HVFD pending background check.

Courtney Gray 2nd meeting

Crystal Mothershed 2nd meeting

Meeting Adjourned.