



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

**BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4**

**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

**AUGUST 15, 2023 MINUTES**

**TIME OF MEETING – 3:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Barnette called the regular scheduled public meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. Chief Turner called roll as follows:

**ROLL CALL:** Board members **PRESENT** – Johnny Barnette, Jason McGinty, Stephanie Collier, and Jay Valentine

Board members **ABSENT** – Sammy Halphen

Others **PRESENT** – Chief Wallace, Tim Turner, Jacob Maddox, and Jonathan Davis

The public meeting was held in the Board Room of the Bossier Parish EMS and Fire Complex, located at 5275 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Louisiana 71111.

**INVOCATION:** The invocation was given by Jonathan Davis

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JULY 18, 2023 BOC PUBLIC MEETING**

*Questions/Discussion about BOC public meeting minutes held on July 18, 2023---None*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to accept and approve the written minutes for the BOC public meeting held on July 18, 2023. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIALS AS OF AUGUST 11, 2023**

*Questions/Discussion about Financials through August 11, 2023: ---- None*

**MOTION** was made by JASON MCGINTY and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to approve of the financials through August 11, 2023. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.



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## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **UPDATE: STATION 3 CONSTRUCTION**

*Chief Wallace reported that station 3 is within 2 weeks of occupancy. The building inspections will be done soon and if approved the firefighters will move into the station. Chief informed the board that it will be a few months before the building is completely done due to the length of time needed to acquire materials such as the generator, transfer switch, and the exhaust removal system.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS**

*Chief Turner informed the board that the board member appointments by the BPPJ will expire in December of this year. (Jay Valentine and Sammy Halphen) Both members wish to be reappointed for another term.*

### **CIVIL SERVICE/INTERNAL PERSONNEL ACTION FORM(S)**

*Board members were provided with the Civil Service PA form for William Tuggle. He has been employed for 1 year and is now confirmed.*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to approve the civil service PA form. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** was made by JAY VALENTINE and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to adjourn. Chairman Barnette called for public comment. There being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.