

DeSoto Fire District #2
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2025

Call to Order

Chairman Donnie Fisher called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Board Members Present:

- Donnie Fisher; Terri Burford; Chad Burford & John Lindsly

Public Comments

- Kevin Johnson from PIAL discussed the district's progress on its fire rating. As of now, the projected rating for 2028 is a 4, with the potential to improve to a 3.

Announcements

- Chief Coleman has been nominated for Fire Chief of the Year by KSLA. The nomination event is scheduled for September 18th.

Additions & Deletions to Agenda

- Addition: Discussion on finding a CPA to assist in correcting the balance sheet.

Fire Chief's Report

- The department will transition to using Proper brand uniforms instead of 5.11 uniforms.
- Uniforms will be purchased through Bobby Roberts.
- Sweatshirts and T-shirts will be ordered through Sew Unique in Mansfield.

Approval of Financials and Minutes

Financials:

- Motion to approve August financials, with the correction of removing A/R Ad Valorem Tax, made by Terri Burford.
- Seconded by Chad Burford, Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes:

- Motion to approve August meeting minutes made by Terri Burford.
- Seconded by Chad Burford, Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Correction of Balance Sheet:

- Motion by Terri Burford to contact Lilly at the DeSoto Parish Police Jury for assistance in correcting the balance sheet.
- Seconded by Chad Burford, Motion carried unanimously.

Policy & Employee Manual:

- Chief Coleman is developing three new handbooks for DeSoto Fire District #2.

Old Business

CDARS Renewals – Bonvenu Bank & Red River Bank:

- Cash out \$375,000 from Bonvenu Bank and renew the remaining balance for 13 weeks.
- Cash out the CDAR at Red River Bank and deposit funds into Community Bank.
- Motion made by Terri Burford, Seconded by John Lindsly, Motion carried.