DeSoto Fire District #2

Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

Chairman Shepard Fields called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:30pm on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. The opening prayer was said by Chairman Fields with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to follow. Present, in addition to the Chairman, were Board Commissioners Donnie Fisher, Kenny Sanchez, Chad Burford, Jeff Zeigler & Kenny Sanchez, as well as other members of the community.

Fields opened the meeting to public comments where one applicant was present and spoke on behalf of his interest in the fire chief position and provided his resume.

The September minutes were discussed, and a motion was made by Zeigler to add that Stacie Crocker was approved at the September meeting to be added to the bank signature card, on both Community & Red River Checking accounts. Fisher made motion to accept the mended minutes with Chad seconding the motion, all were in favor of the motion.

Stacie Crocker presented financial statements to which Fisher made a motion to approve and Zeigler seconded, all were in favor.

Shepard Fields noted that he had signed the contract with EMS. Uniforms were discussed and agreed upon: Each firefighter is allowed two polo shirts & two pair of pants from Ranchland, approximately \$250.00 per firefighter. Kenny made the motion to accept, Fisher seconded the motion, all were in favor. The building on 171 was briefly discussed and it was said that the 3rd party inspector had came and ran the sewer & that furniture is still needed for the building.

A roll call vote was made for the resolution calling the election that was adopted at the October 11th meeting. All were in agreeance to the resolution with all five board members present. Shepard made the motion with Fischer seconding.

Chief Pay was discussed and set, and a motion was made by Zeigler to accept with Burford seconded the motion and all in favor. Total package for chief pay: \$85,000 base pay with insurance and retirement figured in.

Timmy McInnis submitted the October chief report that showed a total of 37 calls for assistance in September. Also stated in the report were station updates: PIAL; hydrants are being inspected and reflective bands have been ordered that go on the hydrants. Condensation pump is down at the Shiloh station. EMS moved into the Depot Rd station and have discussed security cameras and alarm system. Gloster station received a new septic tank for the house and the septic lines have been redone. Everything was passed by a third-party inspector and the station is ready for SWEPCO to turn on the power. Ronnie, the mechanic, has started working on some of the trucks.