

Lafourche Ambulance District #1

17078 West Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345

Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of Lafourche Ambulance District #1 (LAD#1) met in regular session on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. at its Administration Office located at 17078 West Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345.

President Dean Savoie called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll was called: **Board members in attendance:** Dean Savoie, Reggie Pitre, N J Lefort, Brian Marts, Aaron Arabie and newly appointed board member Tad Lafont. **Board members absent:** Kip Plaisance.

Also present were: Administrator Michelle Pierce, Operations Manager Brady Daigle, Administrative Assistant Debra "Pepi" Guidry, Lafourche Parish Fire District 3 Fire Chief Devin Dedon, Accountant Makayla Guidry and Dispatch Supervisor Mary Rotolo.

Comments from the public – LPFD#3 Fire Chief Devin Dedon informed the Board that dispatching costs for 2025 will remain the same as 2024 - \$426,016.50. He also added that he's expecting these costs will improve in the future by switching to a cheaper CAD system and lower costs due to attrition of retiring staff.

Meeting Minutes – Motion by N J Lefort to approve the June 18, 2024 LAD #1 regular board meeting minutes as written, second by Reggie Pitre. Unanimously approved.

President's Report – Dean Savoie

- A. Inform board of HR meeting discussions -Discussion on salaried employees earning comp time during extended travel. Recommendation to the Full board of Commissioners that salaried employees earn comp time during extended travel. Motion by N J Lefort, second by Aaron Arabie. Unanimously approved.

Administration & Financial Report –

- B. **Operations Report** – Operations Manager Brady Daigle reported on unit staffing, June 2024 call volume, call statistics, unit maintenance, exterior lighting at Administration Office, lawn care, medic alert devices, and average response times. He also reported that the ambulance remount is in the graphics stage and is expected to be complete within 4-6 weeks. Mr. Daigle also reported that Gretna EMS contacted him requesting to piggy back on our bid with Ryan's Ambulance for ambulance remount. Motion by Reggie Pitre, second by Aaron Arabie that Gretna EMS be allowed to piggy back on LAD #1's bid with Ryan's Ambulance to remount an ambulance. Unanimously approved.

Administration Report - Administrator Michelle Pierce presented the June 2024 finance report on collections, run charges, and account balances. Mrs. Pierce also reported that she would like to attend the LAA quarterly meeting being held in Bossier City on August 7, 2024. Motion by Aaron Arabie, second by Brian Marts to approve travel to LAA meeting in Bossier City. Unanimously approved.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting of LAD #1 Board of Commissioners is scheduled for August 20, 2024, at 6:15 pm.

Guest Comments: None

Member Comments: Welcome to our new board member, Tad Lafont.

Being no further business to come before the board, motion to adjourn by Reggie Pitre, second by Aaron Arabie. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

/s/**KIP PLAISANCE, JR.**
Secretary

/s/**MICHELLE PIERCE**
Administrator