

Lafourche Ambulance District #1

17078 West Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345

Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of Lafourche Ambulance District #1 (LAD#1) met in regular session on Tuesday, March 19, 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, Kip Plaisance, N J Lefort, Brian Marts, and Aaron Arabie. **Board members absent:** None.

Also present were: Administrator Michelle Pierce, Operations Manager Brady Daigle, Administrative Assistant Debra "Pepi" Guidry, and Paramedics Deeann Bergeron and Tierany Fangué.

Comments from the public – Tracy Wold to address the board – Tracy reported on IRS rule changes of the Employee Retention Credits for 2020 and 2021. He will meet with Speaker of the House Mike Johnson about this issue. The UPL Program has revised the method that funds are distributed and we should begin receiving funds again soon. Tracy also reports that he will meet with Secretary of Louisiana Department of Health Dr. Ralph Abraham about the lengthiness of tying up ambulance units while waiting to off load patients transferred to larger hospitals.

Meeting Minutes – Motion by Reggie Pitre to approve the February 20, 2024 LAD #1 regular board meeting minutes as written, second by Kip Plaisance. Unanimously approved.

President's Report – Dean Savoie

- A.** Approval of Resolution #2403 for Compliance Questionnaire, Audit Engagement & State Agreed Upon Procedures – Motion by Kip Plaisance, second by Brian Marts to approve Compliance Questionnaire, Audit Engagement & State Agreed Upon Procedures as presented by Resolution 2403. Unanimously approved.

Administration & Financial Report –

Operations Report – Operations Manager Brady Daigle reported on February 2024 call statistics, call volume, unit maintenance, medic alert devices, lawn maintenance, and average response times. He also reported that the ambulance remount by Ryan/s Ambulance, LLC has begun and is moving along. Hurricane related repairs is complete at the Larose and Golden Meadow stations. Roof leaks have been discovered at the Cut Off Station and Administration Office and exterior lighting at the Administration Office also needs repairs. Santiny Contractors has been contacted and made aware of these issues.

Administration Report - Administrator Michelle Pierce presented the February 2023 finance report on collections, run charges, account balances and millage collections. She requested approval for Mrs. Pierce and Mr. Daigle to travel to the Louisiana/Arkansas Alliance Meeting in Hot Springs, Arkansas from April 14 to April 17, 2024 and travel request for Mrs. Pierce and Ms. Pepi Guidry to attend the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's Center for Local Government Excellence Seminar in Baton Rouge, LA on March 13-14, 2024. Moved by N J Lefort, second by Aaron Arabie to approve travel request to the Louisiana/Arkansas Alliance meeting April 14-17, 2024 and LLA CLGE Seminar in Baton Rouge, LA on March 13-14, 2024. Unanimously approved.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting of LAD #1 Board of Commissioners is scheduled for April 16, 2024, at 6:15 pm. Administrator Michelle Pierce requested meeting be moved to April 23, 2024 due to Louisiana/Arkansas Alliance meeting. Motion by Aaron Arabie, second by Kip to move regular monthly board meeting to April 23, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Guest Comments: None

Member Comments: None

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 6:33 p.m.

MICHELLE PIERCE

Administrator

KIP PLAISANCE JR.

Secretary/Treasurer