

Quitman Fire Protection District 1
Board Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2017
Quitman Fire Station

The Quitman Fire Protection District Board held its regular monthly meeting March 13, 2017.

In attendance were: John Kavanaugh, Joel Burnum, Kelly Anderson, Jim Justice, Sylvia Pagan and Chief Philip Brown.

Joel lead with the invocation, John lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Present was Regina Rowe from the Jackson Parish Police Jury. She addressed the board stating she was visiting with the different entities of the parish to familiarize herself with the needs of the parish. She commended the board for the job being done in Ward 1.

The financial report was read, Sylvia made a motion to accept the report with Jim seconding the motion. All approved. The monthly bills were reviewed, Sylvia made a motion to pay the monthly bills, Joel seconded the motion, motion carried. The minutes from the previous meeting were read. Sylvia made a motion to accept March's meeting minutes, Jim seconded the motion.

Old business: 1. Condition of Trucks and Equipment – The Chief informed the board of a leak in the roof of the central station and automatic doors that were not working properly.

2. 911 Sign Project- The sign project is underway with signs being posted on Bear Knoll Dr., and on Rita Lane. The department will continue to distribute the signs throughout the entire district.

New Business- 1. Purchase of the land on Beech Springs Rd. – Chief Brown presented the board with the appraisal and documents from our attorney for purchase of land for a substation. After discussion, Jim made the motion to purchase the land with Sylvia seconding the motion. Motion carried.

2. PIAL Recommendations- The recommendations for training for volunteers was discussed. Chief Brown recommended that the department volunteers have 18 hours of training at an approved training center and 45 hours of additional training, some of which would be online. This would be adequate to meet the PIAL recommendations for volunteers.

3. Station Plans- Plans were presented for the Clay Station. Preliminary prices were not yet available. We will meet at a later date to discuss the plans and decide when to advertise for bids.

4. Land in Quitman- Discussion was made for possible land to purchase for a new central station.

5. Volunteer Yearly Reimbursement- Chief Brown ask the board to raise the cap for reimbursement to volunteers. Jim recommended that the reimbursement be based on the level of training and certification that a volunteer has received. Chief Brown will develop a schedule determining reimbursement according to level of training and type of call out.

Joel made a motion to adjourn with Jim seconding the motion. Next regular monthly meeting will be May 11, 2017.