

**Board Meeting Minutes – April 2, 2025**

The Board of Commissioners of Ward Six Fire Protection District No. One held a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at 7:00 p.m., at Fire Station No. Two, located 108 Marcantel Road, DeQuincy, Louisiana.

The following members were present: Robert Cholley, President, Charley Jones, Vice President, Board Members George Mitchell and Scott Kyle.

Fire Chief Todd Parker and Lieutenant Desire'e Amrine were also present at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Cholley, pledge and prayer followed. Roll call was given with the results being as outlined above.

Mr. Cholley asked if there was any public input on any of the agenda items. There was none.

A motion was made by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried unanimously that the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 12, 2025 be approved.

We currently have 2 full-time firefighters, 21 active volunteer firefighters, 10 part-time firefighters, 6 non-suppression support members and 6 fire explorers. The department responded to 46 calls during the month of March. Hurricane Laura & Wildfire Reimbursement Updates: We are still waiting on all projects to be closed out for Hurricane Laura and our remaining reimbursement to be sent to us by the state. We are also still waiting on reimbursement for our wildfire response during 2023. We have no update. Minor repairs have been completed on several apparatus including Engine 7 and is back in service. Ward 6 Civil Service Board has reviewed the proposed job descriptions and qualifications for the positions of Firefighter/Operator, Fire Lieutenant, and Fire Chief. The Civil Service Board has scheduled a public hearing to occur Wednesday May 14, 2025 at 6:30pm. You are all welcome to attend. Lt. Amrine and Chief Parker will be out of town attending FDIC in Indianapolis next week, April 6-12, 2025. Ward 6 will participate in the Louisiana Railroads Days Festival Parade on April 11, 2025. We have also been requested by the City of DeQuincy to participate in the annual Community Easter Egg Hunt on April 18, 2025 from 4-6pm. Durning 2024, Ward 6 responded to fires that involved an estimated \$2,309,500.00 in property values, \$808,500.00 was estimated as the amount of property destroyed, \$1,501,000.00 was the estimate of property saved for calendar year 2024. Our members have logged a total of 887 training hours during 2025. The volunteers of Ward 6 Fire continue to serve the community with pride, teamwork, and excellence. I am proud to work for each one of them.

Mr. Cholley asked if there were any other matters for consideration. There were none.

There being no other matters, a motion was made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Mitchell and carried unanimously that the meeting be adjourned.



ROBERT CHOLLEY, PRESIDENT



DESIRE'E AMRINE, SECRETARY TO THE BOARD