

Board Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of Ward Six Fire Protection District No. One held a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 11, 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, and Board Member Scott Kyle. George Mitchell was absent.

Fire Chief Todd Parker, Captain Loy Bader, 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.

Motion was made by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried unanimously that the minutes of the meeting held on May 14, 2025 be approved.

Desire'e Amrine read the following Resolution for the 2025 tax-millage rates as follows:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the **2025** tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Ward Six Fire Protection District No. One of Calcasieu Parish.

MILLAGE

<u>Acquisitions & Maintenance (1028 040)</u>	<u>12.240 mills</u>
<u>Maintenance & Operations (1028 161)</u>	<u>3.0 mills</u>
<u>Sinking Debt Fund (bond) (1028 160)</u>	<u>7.25 mills</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2025, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: 3, NAYS: 0, ABSTAINED: 0, ABSENT: 1

We currently have 2 full-time firefighters, 17 active volunteer firefighters, 2 inactive volunteer firefighters, 4 non-suppression volunteers, 2 inactive non-suppression support volunteers, 9 part-time firefighters, and 6 fire explorers. The department responded to 23 calls during the month of May. The department has responded to a total of 156 emergency calls during 2025. 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. Engine 7 was in the shop for repairs to the Foam Proportioning system. The repairs are complete and the truck is back in service. Engine 19 is at Bonaventure having repairs made to A/C. Ward 6 participated in a drill today with ExxonMobile Pipeline. The drill consisted of a tabletop exercise on response to the CO2 pipeline pump station on Bankens Rd. A grant request has been submitted to ExxonMobile Pipeline for replacement of Unit 902 and purchase of rehab equipment, rescue tool, and gas

monitors for response to haz-mat incidents. The total grant request was for \$92,838.96. PIAL has moved up the audit date to July 21, 2025. AARCO is doing the generator maintenance inspections at all stations this week. To insure they are ready for hurricane season. Firefighters will participate in Night Landing Zone training at CERTC on June 24, 2025. Our members have logged a total of 1,538 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. Chief Parker had one item to discuss.

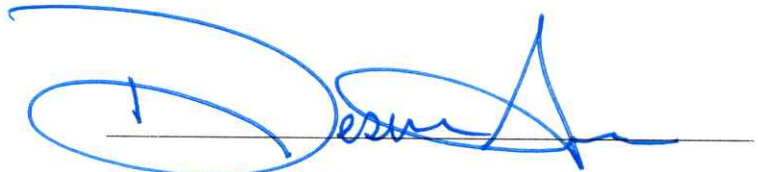
Chief Parker asked the board to consider submitting a request to CPPJ for gaming funds grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purchase of 700/800 MHZ portable radios.

Motion was made by Mr. Kyle, seconded by Mr. Jones, and carried unanimously to approve a resolution requesting gaming funds grant from CPPJ in the amount of \$50,000.00.

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



ROBERT CHOLLEY, PRESIDENT



DESIRE'E AMRINE, SECRETARY TO THE BOARD