

Bayou Vista Volunteer Fire Department
REGULAR MEETING February 9, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Bayou Vista Volunteer Fire Department (BVVFD) convened for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Galveston County MUD #12 Office located at 2929 Highway 6, Bayou Vista, TX. A quorum of the Board of Directors was present and included the following:

President	Paula Eshelman	Present
Vice President	Carlos Price	Present
Treasurer	Stephanie Burt	Present
Secretary	Irene Henry	Present
Director	Bob Althaus	Present

Board of Directors absent: None

Others in attendance: Fire Chief John Venzke

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 6:00 p.m.

2. FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Announcement by the President of the presence of a quorum, that the meeting had been duly called, and that the notice of the meeting had been posted in the manner prescribed by law.

3. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken as reflected above.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Fire Chief John Venzke.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

No general members in attendance.

6. DISCUSSION

A. Status update on awarded or pending grants to BVVFD (Chief John Venzke)

1. No awards or pending grants at this time.

B. Status on new First Responder – Chief John Venzke

1. Pending. New First Responder vehicle should be ready to bring here from LaGrange within the next month or so.

C. Status on loan application – BVVFD Treasurer, Stephanie Burt

1. Ready to go. Financing paperwork completed. First payment comes due in March but does not have to be made until possession of vehicle. Vehicle will be insured at time of possession.

7. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Consider and take possible action to approve the General Operating Financial Report for the month of January 2017.**

A motion was made by Bob Althaus to approve the General Operating Financial Report for the month of January 2017, as presented by the Treasurer.

The motion was seconded by Carlos Price.

Motion carried with all in favor.

- B. Consider and take possible action to approve BVVFD Fire Chief's Activity Report for the month of January 2017.**

A motion was made by Carlos Price to approve BVVFD Fire Chief's Activity Report for the month of January 2017, as presented by the Fire Chief.

The motion was seconded by Stephanie Burt.

Motion carried with all in favor.

- C. Consider and take possible action to approve the BVVFD Board of Directors Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting of January 12, 2017, and the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of January 26, 2017.**

A motion was made by Carlos Price to approve the BVVFD Board of Directors Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting of January 12, 2017, and the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of January 26, 2017.

The motion was seconded by Bob Althaus.

Motion carried with all in favor.

8. MEMBER'S COMMENTS

- A. General Members – No comments**

- B. Board Members**

1. Bob Althaus commented that some sections of the Articles in the By-Laws are no longer being done. Officers were asked to review sections that pertain to their responsibilities and discuss at next meeting. Any suggested changes will be up for approval at the April meeting.

2. Bob Althaus addressed future means of records management. Stephanie Burt suggested utilizing a website (possible City of Bayou Vista website) where records would have safekeeping and get backed up on an iCloud. Paula Eshelman added that the City might allow us to use one of the tabs on their web site.

3. Stephanie Burt reported that she is waiting on copies of non-paid invoices from contractor of day/dorm room. Renovation was completed 2015.

C. President

1. Paula Eshelman commented on a bill received from Texas Municipal League (TML) audit (\$4,000). Higher charge incurred due to omission of volunteer time log. Time log has now been presented and adjustments will be made.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Bob Althaus, seconded by Carlos Price, duly put and unanimously carried, the Board of Directors adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Irene M. Henry
Secretary

