

**Minutes of the DeSoto Parish EMS Board of Commissioners  
Tuesday, March 13, 2018**

The DeSoto EMS Board of Commissioners held a regular Board meeting on Tuesday, March 13, 2018, at DeSoto EMS Central Station at 5:00 p.m.

Members present were: Chairman LaTarsha Shelton, Vice-Chairman Rusty Canton, and Board Members: Keith Parker, KaTina Lane, and Dennis Reed. Brent Ingvarlsen and Tim Thames were absent.

Guests were: Administrator Joe Magee, Assistant Administrator Karl Mann, Administrative Assistant Jane Manning, Billing Specialist Melonie Confair, Medical Director Dr. Pat McGauly, Paramedics Logan Moore and Jason Nash, and Attorney Rhys Burgess.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Shelton at 5:04 p.m. Dr. McGauly gave the invocation, and Shelton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2018 Board meeting was made by Parker, and Canton seconded the motion. All ayes carried the motion.

The financial reports: bills paid, income and expenses, and budget vs. actual were presented by Magee. A motion to accept them was made by Reed. Canton seconded the motion. Motion carried by all ayes.

A motion to pay the bills was made by Canton with Parker seconding the motion. All ayes carried the motion.

**Old Business:**

Update on Medic 6 and Medic 13 - They were picked-up on March 8 at Excellance in Madison, AL, and they are being stocked and readied for inspection.

Update on Rescue 1 - A 2018 Ford F350 4X4 has been ordered on state contract. A box will be installed on the back.

**New Business:**

Canton made the motion to accept the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with DeSoto Fire District 8 for Station 5 in Pelican. The DeSoto Fire District 8 Board of Commissioners approved the same agreement on March 1, 2018.

Lane made the motion to authorize the EMS Board Chairman to sign the CEA without holding a special Board meeting. Canton seconded the motion. All ayes carried the motion.

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Lane made the motion to renew the following annual policies on May 1, 2018: Blue Cross – health insurance, Bridgefield Summit – workers' compensation, The Hartford – long-term disability, and Lincoln Life – life insurance. Parker seconded the motion, and the motion was carried by all ayes.

The motion to approve the letter of engagement for Attorney Edwin Byrd was made by Parker. The second was made by Lane. All ayes carried the motion.

Lane made the motion to adjourn at 5:56 p.m. Parker seconded, and the motion was carried by all ayes.

The next meeting will be May 8, 2018.

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LaTarsha Shelton  
Board Chairman

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Rusty Canton  
Vice- Chairman