

IBERIA PARISH COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Lance P. Provost, II

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Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office
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Acadian Ambulance
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Captain Leland Laseter
New Iberia Police Department
Chief Admin. Buddy Smith
New Iberia Fire Department
Francis Dorsey
Member At Large
Deborah Conner
Secretary

A regular meeting of the Iberia Parish Communications District was held on **June 17, 2026** at 10:00 a.m. at the Iberia Parish Communications District's Emergency Communications Center with Chairman Darren Bourque presiding. The meeting was called to order at **10:12 a.m.** Debra Conner conducted the roll call and a quorum was established.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Darren Bourque, Francis Dorsey, Leland Laseter, Cameron Comeaux, and Gregory Guardia.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Buddy Smith and Mike Vincent.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Lance P. Provost, II; Deborah Conner, and Alex Trahan

It was MOVED by Leland Laseter SECONDED by Francis Dorsey that the **May 21, 2026** 911 Meeting Minutes be approved.

YEAS: Darren Bourque, Francis Dorsey, Leland Laseter, Cameron Comeaux, and Gregory Guardia.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Buddy Smith and Mike Vincent.

And the motion carried.

The Director welcomed the Iberia Parish Communications District new board member, Gregory Guardia and Alex Trahan the new Office of Homeland Security/911 Secretary. The Director asked to keep New Iberia Fire Chief Gordon Copell's Family in prayer at the loss of his mother Mrs. Dianna Copell.

Director's General Report: None

Center Operations Report:

- Lost 2 shift supervisors, promoted 2 regular members to Shift supervisor, leaving 3 available positions. All 3 open positions have a recruit officer in training.
- One overring for the month of May due to a system/computer malfunction.

Systems Report:

- Fire sprinkler inspection has been completed.
- Still waiting for a quote for the door locking mechanism.
- Called Trane for burnt fuse in the kitchen. Removed fuse boxes and wiring needed tightening.
- Generator load test was done and Axis found the generator has a carbon buildup. Load testing will be conducted to burn off the carbon.

Finance Report:

- No financial issues to report for the month of May.
- 911 cellphone fee increase passed both the House and Senate. Waiting on the Governor's signature for fee increase of \$2.00 per cellphones. The Director discussed the fee increase with 911 board members.
- Director intends to do a review/study of past, current, and projected income before deciding if an increase is warranted.

It was MOVED by Cameron Comeaux SECONDED by Gregory Guardia to accept the Director's General Report, Center Operations Report, Systems Report and Finance Report as presented.

YEAS: Darren Bourque, Francis Dorsey, Leland Laseter, Cameron Comeaux, and Gregory Guardia.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Buddy Smith and Mike Vincent.

And the motion carried.

The Chairman opened the floor for public comments.

Mrs. Mary Phan, Public Relations Supervisor of Acadian Ambulance addressed the 911 board on an outreach program for public safety professionals who may come into contact with individuals with special needs.

Discussion of Board Member Social Media – The Chairman discussed a 911 Board Member's social media post regarding the entities of NIPD, NIFD, IPSO, IPFD#1, City of New Iberia and serving on the Communications Board. After further discussion, the chairman opened the floor for a resolution of termination and dismissal for the Board Member. The District's Attorney informed the Chairman that the Communications District's Board does not have the authority to terminate a Board Member. After further discussion, the Chairman tabled the discussion until the next meeting, July 16, 2026.

Resolution Recognizing and Commending Deborah Conner for her 48 years of service to Iberia Parish Government.

It was MOVED by Leland Laseter SECONDED by Francis Dorsey to pass the resolution recognizing and commending Mrs. Deborah Conner for her 48 years of service to Iberia Parish Government.

YEAS: Darren Bourque, Francis Dorsey, Leland Laseter, Cameron Comeaux, and Gregory Guardia.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Buddy Smith and Mike Vincent.

There being no further business, it was MOVED by Leland Laseter SECONDED by Francis Dorsey to adjourn the meeting.

YEAS: Darren Bourque, Francis Dorsey, Leland Laseter, Cameron Comeaux, and Gregory Guardia.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Buddy Smith and Mike Vincent.

And the motion carried.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission will be held on **July 16, 2026** at 10:00 a.m. at the Iberia Parish Communications District's Emergency Communications Center.