



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 13
ST. TAMMANY PARISH
P.O. Box 2109

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Mark Cortez
Commissioner

Tony Devillier
Vice-Chairman

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Secretary

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Fire Chief

COVINGTON, LA 70434

Jorge Fernandez
Commissioner

Norman Voelkel
Treasurer

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Meeting Minutes

The St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 13 Board of Commissioners met in regular session at **7:00 PM** on **April 19, 2023**, at the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 13 fire station located at 13053 Hwy 190 Covington, LA 70433.

7:06 PM the meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Devillier

Roll call: Absent: George Osbourn, Norman Voelkel, Present: Jorge Fernandez, Mark Cortez, and Tony Devillier.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Awards and Recognition: None

Minutes Review: Review and consideration of approval of the March 15, 2023, board meeting minutes, Mr. Cortez made a motion to approve minutes, with typo corrected, seconded by Mr. Fernandez, no further discussion, all in favor. (See attached).

Financial Report: Mr. Devillier reviewed the credit card report before the meeting and reported all in order. Clint Ory discussed and reviewed the through March 31, 2023, financial report, and performance report with the Board. Regarding the investing of the money that the district has in various accounts it was proposed we wait until Treasurer, Mr. Voelkel is back from travels to make the final decision. Mr. Cortez made a motion to adopt the financial reports, and credit card reports, seconded by Mr. Fernandez, no further comments or discussion, all in favor (see attached).

Old Business

1. Discussed the status of Station 134. The appraisal came back at \$260,000 and an offer was made to the owner for appraised value that was accepted. A purchase order has been signed and waiting on title company for final closing on the lot.

New Business

1. 2023-007: BOC Resolution (Adopt the 2023 Millage rates). Mr. Devillier made a motion, second by Mr. Cortez, to adopt the 2023 millage rates, Vice Chairman Devillier asked for any public comments, no further discussion, all in favor, motion passed.
2. Pursuant to R.S. 18:1293 the Proces Verbal was read into record and preserved as outlined in R.S. 18:1293
3. 2023-008: Resolution Canvassing Returns, Mr. Devillier made A motion, second by Mr. Cortez, the resolution was then read aloud, Mr. Devillier asked for any public comment, with none, a roll call vote was made with all in favor, resolution passed.
4. 2023-009: Resolution levying the tax regarding the District's March 25, 2023 election, beginning 2025. Mr. Devillier made motion, second by Mr. Cortez. The resolution was read aloud, Mr. Devillier asked for any public comment, no further discussion, a roll call vote was made with all in favor, motion passed.
5. Additional comments from PMI. None
6. Civil Service report –The Job Studies have been filled out and returned for Training Officer and Chief of Admin.
7. Maintenance – Discussed a few repairs pending.
8. Training Report: TSO Michael Getscher reviewed the provided a written training report, see attached. He also mentioned the next EMT class scheduled has been filled and will cater to those who may struggle academically.
9. Fire Prevention: Provided a written report. Advised that he is updating and completing Inspections also mentioned additional training and upcoming conferences for fire prevention.
10. Fire Chief's Report: Reported 100 responses for March 2023. Chief Johnson asked for the boards blessing to purchase a used breathing air supply compressor system from Fire District 1 for \$3000. The board approved of this purchase; funds already available in budget in equipment fund.



11. **Motion to adjourn** by Mr. Fernandez and seconded by Mr. Cortez, all in favor, Adjourned at 8:29 p.m.