



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 13
ST. TAMMANY PARISH
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Commissioner

Jeffery Stern
Treasurer

Meeting Minutes

The St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 13 Board of Commissioners met in regular session at **7:00 PM** on **July 17, 2024**, at the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 13 fire station located at 13053 Hwy 190 Covington, LA 70433.

7:00 PM the meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Tony DeVillier

Roll call: Absent: George Osbourn; Present: Tony DeVillier, Mark Cortez, Jeffery Stern, and Jorge Fernandez

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Awards and Recognition: None

Minutes Review: Review and consideration of approval of June 19, 2024, board meeting minutes, Mr. Fernandez made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Mr. Stern, no further discussion, all in favor. (See attached).

Financial Report: Mr. Stern reviewed the credit card report before the meeting and reported all in order. Eryn Jones reviewed the through June 30, 2024, financial report, and performance report with the Board. Mr. Stern made a motion to adopt the financial reports, and credit card reports, seconded by Mr. Cortez, no further comments or discussion, all in favor (see attached).

Old Business

1. Discussed the status of Station 134. Chief Johnson advised that the dirt work has been completed. The Fire Marshal has approved the blueprints. The project is now ready for bid.
2. Mr. Stern spoke on the Verizon tower contract. Verizon is looking to pay out a lump sum amount and smaller monthly payments. Mr. Stern stated that he will reach out to get further information to bring back to the board.

New Business

1. 2024-008 BOC Resolution (Adopt 2023 LLA Audit) Mr. Fernandez made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Stern, all in favor.
2. 2024-009 BOC Resolution (Adopt 2023 LLA AUP Audit) Mr. Stern made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Cortez, all in favor.
3. 2024-010 BOC Resolution (Approve Rollback Millage (Ad Valorem) Rate) Mr. Stern made a motion to adopt, seconded by Mr. Cortez. Roll call vote: Absent: Mr. Osbourn; Nay: None; In favor: Mr. Stern, Mr. Cortez, Mr. Fernandez, Mr. DeVillier.
4. Additional comments from PMI: None
5. Civil Service report – None
6. Training Report: TSO Michael Getscher provided a written report.
7. Fire Prevention: Not present.
8. Maintenance – Rodney Waltrip advised T133 had springs changed and E131 had to have a VGT ordered and replaced.
9. Fire Chief's Report: Provided a call breakdown report. There were 108 road calls with most of them being in 132's area.
10. Additional New Business: Chief Johnson spoke with the board about purchasing new air packs for the Tender, the cost would be around \$37,500. There was a motion to accept made by Mr. Sten, seconded by Mr. Cortez, all in favor.
11. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Stern and second by Mr. Cortez, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m

Pending approval July 17, 2024