



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

*George Osbourn
Chairman* *Mark Cortez
Commissioner*

*Tony Devillier
Commissioner* *Clint Ory
Secretary*

*Lonnie Johnson
Fire Chief*

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*Jorge Fernandez
Commissioner*

*Norman Voelkel
Treasurer*

Meeting Minutes

The St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 13 Board of Commissioners met in regular session at **7:00 PM** on **April 21, 2021**, at the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 13 fire station located at 13053 Hwy 190 Covington, LA 70433.

Due to COVID-19, exposure history, symptom and temperature checks were required for entry, reduced capacity was enforced and a link to view remotely established for any not able to enter.

7:00 PM the meeting was called to order by Chairman Osbourn

Roll call: Absent: None, Present: Norman Voelkel, George Osbourn, 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 24th, 2021 board meeting minutes, Mr. Devillier made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Mr. Voelkel, no further discussion, all in favor. (see attached).

Financial Report: Board Secretary Clint Ory discussed and reviewed the March Financial report, noting that a \$383,000 estimated repayment on collection of Ad Valorem will be required due to an error on inventory tax from the Louisiana tax commission. Despite this error the budget is on target through the first quarter in collections and expenditures. The March credit card report was also submitted to the board and was found to be in order. Mr. Devillier made a motion to adopt the financial reports, and credit card reports, second by Mr. Cortez. No further comments or discussion, all members in favor (see attached).

Old Business

1. Chad Danenhowe reported on the status of the land acquisition for Station 134. The Champagnes have approved the additional needed land (1.44 acres) with a few stipulations still to be worked out. Additionally, they would like to see the proposed elevation drawings.
2. Chief Johnson reported that repairs to Station 132 by contractor, KB Kaufmann & Co. Inc. Work is near completion and final walk through and final payment close.

New Business

1. The board adopted 2021-007: BOC Resolution (Adopt the 2021 millage rates) motion made by Mr. Devillier, second by Mr. Cortez, no further discussion, roll call vote with all in favor, resolution passed.
2. Civil Service report. – no updates.
3. Maintenance – no updates.
4. Training Report: Chief Hecker provided a written training report with no additional discussion.
5. Fire Prevention: FPO Holcombe was absent, due to medical leave. No updates
6. Fire Chief's Report: Reported 78 calls in March. Chief Johnson reported price quotes to paint the exterior of Station 132. The board made a motion to discuss accepting a quote now as to not delay the work. The exterior siding does not match from repairs and looks bad. The three quotes were reviewed and discussed; the board chose a quote from Naps Painting for \$13,500. A motion was made by Mr. Devillier to accept Naps Painting quote to paint the exterior of Station 132, second by Mr. Cortez, all in favor, motion passed.
7. **Motion to adjourn** by Mr. Devillier and seconded by Mr. Cortez, all in favor, Adjourned at 7:55 PM.