LIVINGSTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

9760 Florida Blvd (Administration House) Walker, LA 70785

March 18, 2019

Chairman Dugas called the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:04 p.m. The invocation was given by Mr. Blevins and the assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Dugas called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Joseph Blanchard, Mr. Darren Blevins, Mr. Robert Dugas, Mr. Jeff Easley, and Mr. Leslie Falks. Members of the Audience: Fire Chief James T. Wascom, Government Consultant Jim Ryan, Firefighter Matt Gallman, Firefighter Gary Boudreaux, and Board Secretary Tasha Killcrease.

Chairman Dugas announced that public input would be accepted from any member of the audience wishing to address an agenda item. There being no public input, the Board moved on.

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to adopt the minutes of the February 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

The February 2019 Financial Report was given to the board members via drop box. A Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP representative was unable to attend for a verbal financial report. The Compilation Report includes Balance Sheet for assets as well as liabilities and fund balance, Statement of Income, Budget to Actual, and General Fixed Assets.

Old Business - Station 1 Renovations: Chief Wascom gave an update on progress and advised he requested a quote for one wall in the bay area to present to the Board at a later meeting.

There being no further old business, the Board moved on to new business.

Jim Ryan with Government Consultant, Inc. advised the Board of the different options to bring in more revenue.

Chief Wascom advised the Board of wanting to create a Fire Prevention Bureau within the department as well as a Fire Prevention Officer. Chief Wascom also explained the steps and benefits to this Fire Prevention Bureau.

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to create a Fire Prevention Bureau within the department of Livingston Parish Fire Protection District 4.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None

Abstain: None Absent: None

Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to create the position of Fire Prevention Officer.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Chief Wascom presented Resolution 19-0001 to the Board:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-0001 OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LIVINGSTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4

For release of State Fire Marshal and any other State Entity from responsibility or liability for those inspections performed by the fire prevention bureau, or the consequences thereof, within the jurisdiction of the governing authority

At a meeting of *Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4* of *Livingston Parish*, held at <u>9760 Florida Blvd Walker</u>, La on March 18, 2019.

Resolution assuming responsibility and liability for inspections conducted by <u>Livingston</u> <u>Parish Fire Protection District No. 4 Fire Prevention Bureau.</u>

WHEREAS <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4</u> of <u>Livingston Parish</u>, does hereby find as follows:

WHEREAS, the <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4</u> created the <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4 Fire Prevention Bureau</u> to conduct fire safety inspections within <u>Livingston Parish in which the bureau is authorized to conduct inspections</u>.

WEREAS, the <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4 Fire Prevention Bureau</u>. was created in pursuit to Louisiana RS 40:1563.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HERBY PROCLAIMED by <u>Livingston Parish Fire</u> <u>Protection District No. 4</u> assumes all responsibility and liability for and releases the fire marshal and any other State entity from responsibility or liability for those inspections performed by <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4 Fire Prevention Bureau</u>, or the consequences thereof, within <u>Livingston Parish Fire Protection District No. 4</u>

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to adopt Resolution 19-0001 as written.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to adopt the ordinance presented by Chief Wascom and also authorize Chief Wascom to go before the Livingston Parish Council, the Village of Port Vincent Alderman, and the City of Walker Alderman to request an ordinance accepting LPFPD4 Fire Prevention Bureau.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

There being no further new business, the Board moved on to Chief's reports.

Chief Wascom updated the Board on the status of the Maintenance truck, which will be delivered at the beginning of April 2019.

There being no Commissioner's report and no further business before the board, Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Easley to adjourn at 6:49 p.m.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Robert Dugas Chairman