

**FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
9760 Florida Blvd (Administration House)
Walker, LA 70785**

February 18, 2019

Chairman Dugas called the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. The invocation was given by Mr. Falks 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 Wascom 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. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to adopt the minutes of the January 21, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

The tentative January 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.

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

Chief Wascom presented a quote from Motorola via Bearcom to the Board for the remaining items needed for the 700MHZ radio upgrade system. The 36 mobile radios (state contract #440001472636) are \$69,516.00. To install radios, (piggyback off Ascension Parish Sheriff's Office contract #51022) are \$5,220.00. Twenty Bluetooth headsets are \$10,065.60 and ten power supplies are \$2,516.00

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to allow Chief Wascom to purchase the remaining 700MHZ radios and have them installed for a total of \$87,317.60.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Chief Wascom advised the Board the status of vehicle #17.

Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to surplus the following apparatus to be used for training purposes:

Vehicle #17 - 1987 Ford Tanker Pumper, VIN # 1FDXF82H6HVA01050.

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. Blanchard, to lift the agenda to discuss change order items to Station 1 Renovations.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Chief Wascom advised the Board of three change orders to Station 1 Renovations. Chief Wascom requested three bids and at this time has only received one per change order.

Mr. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Easley, to accept change order #1 – adding a grease trap under the sink with the total not to exceed \$742.50.

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blevins, to accept change order #2 – adding a door in the foyer with the total not to exceed \$1,354.65.

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. Easley, to accept change order #3 – changing out all five existing windows at Station 1 with the total not to exceed \$4,616.26.

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 return back to the agenda.

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 following items: Very good participation at Former Fire Chief Donald Dedon's funeral. Also, the property lines between the Administrative Office and Station 1 were removed and filed 2/7/19.

The Board moved on to Commissioner's reports.

Chairman Dugas discussed moving forward with allowing Chief Wascom to talk to the attorney in reference to the neighbor's structures and fence being on D4 property at the South Palmetto Street location.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks to adjourn.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Blevins, Mr. Dugas, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None


Robert Dugas, Chairman