

**LIVINGSTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

9760 Florida Blvd
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Walker, LA 70785

July 20, 2020

Chairman Dugas called the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order via telephone conference at 6:00 p.m.

Chairman Dugas called the roll with the following members present via telephone: Mr. Darren Blevins, Mr. Jeff Easley, Mr. Leslie Falks, Mr. Joseph Blanchard, and Mr. Robert Dugas. Chief James T. Wascom, Board Secretary Tasha Killcrease, Training/Safety Officer Keesler Fly, and Fire Prevention Officer Matt Gallman were also on the telephone conference.

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. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to adopt the minutes of the June 15, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

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

Item 6 skipped due to a representative from Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP not logged onto telephone conference at this time.

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

Chief Wascom explained the 2020 Millage Rate Projections to the Board and a discussion was held. The Board and Chief Wascom were in agreement it was best to levy *10.00 mills* opposed to *10.02 mills* which is allowed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

Board Secretary Tasha Killcrease read aloud the Millage Resolution 20-002.

RESOLUTION 20-002

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage is hereby levied on the 2020 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Livingston Parish Fire Protection District 4:

MILLAGE

Acquisitions & Maintenance

10.00 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Livingston, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to

spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2020, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to accept the Resolution 20-002 and adopt the 2020 Millage Rate of *10.00 mills*.

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

Mr. Trey Sanders with Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP joined the telephone conference at 6:10 p.m. The Board returned to item 6. The Financial Report was given to the board members via dropbox prior to the meeting.

The June 2020 Financial Report was reviewed by Trey Sanders with Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP along with the Board Members. The Financial 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 further new business, the Board moved on to Chief's reports.

Chief Wascom discussed the insurance rebate, pump maintenance, Open Safely educational inspections, millage reassessment, proposed 10% COVID-19 tax forgiveness for the 2020 tax year, and station updates. Officer Gallman explained Open Safely guidelines and how educational inspections will take place in our District. Officer Fly updated the board on the continued PPE protocol for COVID-19.

A discussion was held on the district's current user fee collections.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blevins to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.

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



Robert Dugas, Chairman