

**LIVINGSTON PARISH FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #4  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
9760 Florida Blvd, Walker LA 70785 (Headquarters)**

**August 15, 2022**

Vice Chairman Easley called the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Mr. Falks and the assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice Chairman Easley called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Darren Blevins, Mr. Jeffrey Easley and Mr. Leslie Falks. Mr. Robert Dugas and Mr. Joseph Blanchard were absent. Chief James Wascom, Mr. Glen Duncan, Ms. Tasha Killcrease, Mr. Jim Ryan, and several LPFPD4 members were also in attendance.

Vice Chairman Easley 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. Blevins, to adopt the minutes of the July 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

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

July 2022 Financial Report was reviewed by the Board Members via dropbox. 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. A representative from Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP was not present for a verbal review.

Mr. Glen Duncan, Project Manager from Quality Engineering & Surveying, LLC, gave the Engineer's Report which included reviewing the contracts for Station 6 & 7 driveways.

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

Chief Wascom expressed the need to discuss the incurring of debt of the Revenue Bonds.

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to lift the agenda for the purpose of the Revenue Bond.

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

Upon being submitted to a vote and with unanimous decision, the motion carried to lift the agenda.

Mr. Jim Ryan, the Livingston Parish Financial Advisor, represented and explained Resolution 22-006 incurring of debt and the issuance of Revenue Bonds. Mr. Ryan also explained the remaining process. A discussion was held.

**RESOLUTION 22-006**

A Resolution providing for the incurring of debt and the issuance of not to exceed Five Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$5,750,000) of Revenue Bonds, in one or more series, of Fire Protection District No. 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said Bonds, designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said Bonds, providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; authorizing the agreement with the Paying Agent; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Fire Protection District No. 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana (the “*District*” or the “*Issuer*”) is a fire protection district validly organized and created in accordance with Article VI, Sections 15 and 19 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, as amended, Part I of Chapter 7 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1430 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the “*Act*”), desires to incur debt and issue not to exceed Five Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$5,750,000) of its Revenue Bonds, in one or more series (the “*Bonds*”), for the purposes of (i) providing funds for the construction and improvement of fire protection facilities and acquisition of related equipment (the “*Project*”); (ii) funding a reserve for the Bonds or paying the cost of a debt service reserve policy, if necessary; and (iii) paying the costs of issuing the Bonds, including the cost of bond insurance, if necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Bonds will be secured by and payable from an irrevocable pledge and dedication of the avails or proceeds of the fifteen (15) mill ad valorem tax currently being levied and collected by the District as authorized by the voters in the District on April 30, 2022 (the “*Tax*”), subject only to the payment of the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collection and administration of the Tax (the “*Pledged Revenues*”); and

WHEREAS, the Parish Council, by action taken on July 28, 2022, has given all approvals required under Article VI, Section 15 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 and Section 1415 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Governing Authority to fix the details necessary with respect to the issuance of the Bonds and to provide for their authorization and issuance; and

WHEREAS, it is further the desire of this Governing Authority to provide for the sale of the Bonds within the parameters and in the manner herein provided;

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to approve/accept Resolution 22-006 as presented.

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

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to go back to the regular order of business of the August 15, 2022 meeting agenda.

Ayes: Mr. Blevins, Mr. Easley, Mr. Falks  
Nays: None

Abstain: None  
Absent: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas

Chief Wascom advised the appraisal for 21860 LA Hwy 16, Denham Springs, LA 70726 (next to Station 4) came in at \$178,000. The property is 2.027 acres with a 16x80 mobile home. LPFPD4 previously put in an offer \$177,500. A discussion was held.

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blevins, to purchase the property located at 21860 LA Hwy 16, Denham Springs, LA 70726 for \$177,500.00 and authorize Chief Wascom to sign all necessary documents.

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

Chief Wascom suggested the starting part-time hourly rate be raised from \$12.00/hr to \$14.00/hr as well as raising the current part-time \$2.00/hr. A discussion was held.

Mr. Blevins made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to raise the part-time starting pay to \$14.00/hr and give the current part-time a \$2.00/hr raise effective January 10, 2023.

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

Item 9c was tabled to a later date.

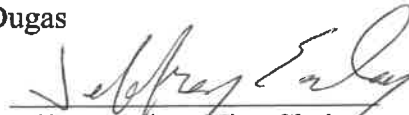
There being no further new business, the board moved onto Chief's Reports.

Chief Wascom advised Assistant Chief and Battalion Chief Vehicles will be needed next year; he is obtaining information to present at a later date.

Deputy Chief Trey Jackson advised the critique on the Live Oak Jr. High gymnasium fire went well, and there was great information and feedback. He also presented the response statistics for LPFPD4's total of 613 calls in July of 2022. Training/Safety Officer Keesler Fly gave an update on the High School Firefighter I class and current EMR class.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Easley made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blevins to adjourn at 6:31 p.m.

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

  
Jeffrey Easley, Vice Chairman