

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

9760 Florida Blvd, Walker LA 70785 (Headquarters)

**January 19, 2026**

Chairman Dugas 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.

Chairman Dugas called the roll with the following members present: Mr. Joseph Blanchard, Mr. Robert Dugas, Mr. Leslie Falks, and Mr. Shane Hernandez. Mr. Darren Blevins and Chief James T. Wascom were absent. Deputy Chief Trey Jackson, Mr. Trey Sanders, Mr. Vincent Orlando, and several LPFPD4 members were also present.

Chairman Dugas announced that public input would be accepted from any member of the audience wishing to address an agenda item. No public comments were made.

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to adopt the minutes of the December 15, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

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

Mr. Trey Sanders with Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP reviewed the December 2025 tentative Financial Report with the Board. The report included the Balance Sheet for assets as well as liabilities and fund balance, Statement of Income, Budget to Actual, and General Fixed Assets.

Mr. Vincent Orlando with Quality Engineering & Surveying, LLC presented the Engineer's Report:

- Station 11 was approved for the partial Certificate of Occupancy for the apparatus bays prior to the end of 2025. The Board also viewed pictures of the construction progress.
  - o Deputy Chief Jackson advised the Board that Station 11 has been manned 24/7 as of January 1, 2026. The engine and full-time Firefighter temporarily relocate during daytime hours to avoid construction disruptions and return to Station 11 in the evening/overnight.
- Station 7 construction schedule is pending; all contracts and requirements to begin are complete except for the exchange of property involving the 0.20 acres on the north side. This will not currently hinder construction.
  - o Board Secretary Killcrease advised the Board that LPFPD4's realtor is currently working with Wells Fargo, the lienholder, to release the 0.20 acres from the existing mortgage prior to scheduling a closing date.

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

Chairman Dugas presented and read aloud Resolution 26-001: Ordering and calling an election for the renewal of \$32.00 Service Charge.

**RESOLUTION 26-001**

A Resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in Fire Protection District No. 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana on Saturday, June 27, 2026, for the purpose of authorizing the renewal of a service charge in an amount of \$32.00 per annum for each residential or commercial structure for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of fire protection services; and further making application to the State Bond Commission for consent and authorization to hold the aforesaid election; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana (the "**Governing Authority**"), acting as the governing authority of Fire Protection District No. 4 of Livingston Parish, Louisiana (the "**District**"), desires to order and call a special election to be held in the District on SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026, to authorize the renewal of the levy and collection of a service charge in an amount of \$32.00 per

annum for each residential or commercial structure for a period of ten (10) years, beginning with the year 2027 and ending with the year 2036 (the “**Service Charge**”); and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Authority, that:

**Election Call.** Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under the authority conferred by La. R.S. 40:1502.1, Article VI, Sections 30 and 32 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended (the “**Constitution**”) and the applicable provisions of Chapter 6 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the “**Election Code**”), particularly Chapters 5 and 6-A thereof, and by other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, a special proposition election (the “**Election**”) is hereby called and ordered to be held in the District on SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:541), and that at the Election there will be submitted to all registered voters residing in the District, qualified and entitled to vote at the Election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

Mr. Hernandez made the motion, seconded by Mr. Falks, to approve and accept Resolution 26-001 as presented.

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

Chairman Dugas announced Commissioner Blanchard was recently reappointed.

Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, to ratify the Town of Port Vincent’s Appointment on December 16, 2025 of Mr. Joseph Blanchard to LPFPD4’s Board of Commissioners.


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

The Board moved on to Chief’s and Commissioner’s reports.

- Deputy Chief Jackson
  - announced on behalf of Fire Chief Wascom, the final inspection of the new apparatus will be February 12, 2026.
  - presented the response statistics: 7,437 total calls in 2025 and 671 calls in December of 2025.
  - Announced promotions of LPFPD4’s first full-time Captains; nine Captains will begin their new roles on January 23, 2026, with a Captain’s Academy planned in the near future.
  - Confirmed the completion of the required offer of Cancer Screenings to all full-time personnel.
- Training/Safety Officer Keesler Fly presented the 2025 year-end Training Report and advised LPFPD4 has updated medical protocols and will operate at the EMT level by March of 2026.
- Fire Prevention Officer Matthew Gallman presented the 2025 year-end Fire Prevention Report.
- The 2025 year-end Maintenance Report was presented to the Board via drop box.
- Commissioner Blanchard and Falks publicly thank all involved in their reappointments to the Board.
- Commissioner Hernandez commended the department for the success of the 2025 Santa Routes.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Falks made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard to adjourn at 6:41 p.m.

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

  
 Robert Dugas, Chairman