

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

9760 Florida Blvd, Walker LA 70785 (Headquarters)

**May 18, 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. Dugas and Mr. Blanchard led the assembly with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Chairman Dugas announced that public input would be accepted from any member of the audience wishing to address an agenda item. There was no public comment made.

Mr. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, to adopt the minutes of the April 20, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

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

Mr. Trey Sanders with Hannis T. Bourgeois, LLP reviewed the April 2026 Financial Report 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.

Due to the absence of Quality Engineering & Surveying, LLC, the Engineer's Report was presented via dropbox:

- Chief Wascom advised a punch list was performed today. Louisiana State Fire Marshal's inspection visit was changed to a construction visit due to some changes needing to be made on the sprinkler system flow rate inspection and the site not having propane at this time.

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

Chief Wascom advised the Capital Programming agreement for 3 years is expiring and Quality Engineering is requesting a renewal or extension due to on going projects. A discussion was held.

Mr. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, to authorize Chief Wascom to sign a new Capital Programming agreement for two years and a maximum of \$50,000 with Quality Engineering & Surveying, LLC.

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

Chief Wascom advised the board Grass Rig 418 (vehicle 28 – 2001 Dodge) was involved in a motor vehicle accident and he feels the vehicle is not worthy of investing any more funds to repair. Chief presented some figures found on the state contract for similar vehicle to replace Vehicle 28. A discussion was held.

Mr. Hernandez made the motion, seconded by Mr. Blanchard, to authorize Chief Wascom to purchase a vehicle off of state contract, not to exceed \$65,000 to be utilized as a grass rig.

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

Absent: Mr. Blevins and Mr. Falks

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

- Deputy Chief Jackson presented the response statistics for LPFPD4's total of 553 calls in April. Also, the second Academy Recruit Class is underway; they just completed EMR training and starting Hazardous Awareness.
- Chief Wascom publicly thanked Volunteer Phil Brocato for teaching the EMR class.
- Commissioner Blanchard inquired on the status of the engine replacement in vehicle 46. Chief Wascom advised Precision mobile should be finished this week.

There being no further business before the board, Mr. Blanchard made the motion, seconded by Mr. Hernandez to adjourn at 6:26 p.m.

Ayes: Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Dugas, and Mr. Hernandez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Mr. Blevins and Mr. Falks



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Robert Dugas, Chairman