

St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 11
Board of Commissioner's Meeting Minutes
37546 Pine Street Extension, Pearl River, Louisiana
Fire Chief Jack Dockery
August 12, 2025
7:02 pm – 8:17 pm

ROLL CALL

Russell Lindsey – Present Ryan Dreux - Present Eugene Swann – Present Floyd Trascher – Present Michele Blackwell – Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE INVOCATION MINUTES

Mrs. Blackwell calls the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Roll is called, Board Members Russel Lindsey, Ryan Dreux, Eugene Swann, Floyd Trascher and Michele Blackwell are present. Mr. Floyd Trascher says the invocation and Mr. Russell Lindsey leads the pledge.

MINUTES

Mrs. Blackwell asked if everybody read and approved the minutes of the July 8th, meeting? Mr. Lindsey and Mr. Trascher reviewed the minutes and Mr. Trascher moves to adopt them with the video governing. Mr. Lindsey seconds. A roll call vote is called, all in favor, motion carries.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chief Dockery presents the Financial Report for the month of July, we are looking for a target rate of 58%. Going through this, I saw a few areas where it's not a concern but will have to do adjustments later in the year.

On the first page, 6591 Medical Equipment Maintenance & Repairs, we are over by \$118.95. Unfortunately, when I had my accident we had a bill come up and it got lost in translation. We made the payment to make it good so, it pushed us over budget. Like I said, it is something that we can correct later in the year.

On the second page, Line Item 6484, Medic 112, we are at 73.61%. A couple weeks ago it blew a turbo so we had it in the shop and it needed a new turbo which hit us for about \$3,000. It is back up and running now.

That's the only 2 Items that are over. The rest are running at or below where we should be.

Mr. Trascher asked about the Medical Equipment, Maintenance and Repairs. Are we anticipating any more big revenues, expenditures on that line item?

Chief said, it could be possible later in the year for the yearly maintenance. I spoke with Chief Parish to find out when that date will be so we can have that figured in for when we make that correction.

Mr. Trascher said thank you Chief, that's what I was wondering because going through the year progressively, if we didn't have any further expenses, our correction would not be as glaring as it is now and we can pick it up from some of the other line items.

EMS REPORT

The EMS side, we brought in \$31,415.86, for the month of July. For the month of July we are at 85.84%, so we are above our projections.

Mrs. Blackwell asked if there were any more questions for the Financial Report or the EMS Report. No other questions, we will move to the Chief's Report.

<u>CHIEF'S REPORT/ EMS REPORT</u> - Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, for the month of July, we responded to:

EMS	39
MVA	6
SERVICE/GOOD INTENT	6
TRASH/GRASS FIRES	1
DISPATCHED/CANCELLED IN ROUTE	5
POLICE MATTER	3
FALSE ALARMS	7
TOTAL	07
TOTAL	67

That's all for the Chief's Report. With no questions on the Chief's Report, we can move to Old Business.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

CALL FOR ELECTION 2026 MILLAGE – Chief Jack Dockery

As we went over a couple of months ago, we originally had our Millage Election set for October. Due to the State not having anything on the ballot, we would have to take on the full cost of roughly \$28,000. I talked to Foley Judell, the ones handling the millage, and they said we can do this for the April Election and still have a shot later in the year if something were to happen. This is starting the process over again. I have the announcement that needs to be read into the record which I gave to Mr. Floyd. It will be posted in the Journal. I have a timeline for you to see that is basically showing everything up to and including the election.

Mr. Floyd Trascher reads the announcement:

Announcement of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that, at it's meeting held Tuesday September 9th, 2025, at 7:00pm, at it's regular meeting place, 37546 Pine Street Extension, Pearl River Louisiana 70452, The Board of Commissioner's of St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, plans to consider adopting a Resolution Ordering and Calling an election to be held in Fire Protection District 11, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, to authorized a renewal of an Ad velorem tax therein.

Mr. Trascher noted that we also have a Resolution numbered 2025-018:

WHEREAS, a quorum of the Board of Commissioners ("the Board") of St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11 ("the District") was present on this date, August 12, 2025, for a properly advertised regular meeting:

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11, of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11, of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "District"), find it in the best interest of the Board, employees, citizens and taxpayers, to consider the resolution attached regarding calling for an election for the St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11:

1. The Board of Commissioners wish to consider and take action with respect to adopting the attached resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in Fire Protection District No. 11, of the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, to authorize the election for the renewal of the tax therein, making application to the State Bond Commission, and providing for other matters in connection.

Attached is the Resolution prepared by Foley & Judell LLP, regarding this election.

Mr. Trascher notes that this is Resolution 2025-018, and it authorizes our election that we are calling for in April. If there is no further discussion, I move that we approve these resolutions. Mr. Lindsey seconds.

Mrs. Blackwell does a roll call vote was called, 4 yeas, motion carries. We will move to our next item.

OPIOID RESOLUTION - Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery explains that this is a Resolution from St. Tammany Parish Government. This is a law suit they had, which they had the monies we used last year, to buy a Lucas Device. This year we are looking at some CPR Mannequins and trainers. I am bringing it to the Board so you can vote on it and we can get this back off to the Parish.

Mr. Trascher said, we have a Resolution before us for this manner and the purpose for this intergovernmental agreement is to provide First Responder's with equipment to respond to the Opioid overdoses in St. Tammany Parish from the proceeds from the Opioid Litigation Settlement. St. Tammany Parish receives those funds and will disburses them to the agencies. Chief, if I am correct in this, we need to adopt the Intergovernmental Agreement. We have a resolution before the Board, 2025-019, which so authorizes the Fire District to enter into a cooperative endeavor with St. Tammany Parish so we can receive these funds for our constituents. Are there any questions or would anyone like to read the Resolutions?

Mr. Lindsey asked if we knew how much money we are getting from that? Chief Dockery said it is \$8,600. Each year it is a different amount. It depends on what the Departments ask for. It has to have something to do with the Opioid overdoses. This is the maximum that the St. Tammany Parish Government will reimburse for three pieces of resuscitation equipment.

Mr. Trascher moves to adopt Resolution 2025-019, Mr. Lindsey seconds.

Mrs. Blackwell calls a roll call vote, 4 yeas, motion carries.

SURPLUS AND DONATION OF APPARATUS – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said last year at the July 9th, meeting, we talked about an old truck we had prior to receiving our new fire engine. We talked about surplussing our it and either selling or possibly donating it. I bring to the Board to Surplus this equipment and donate it to St. Tammany Fire District No. 7, in Sixth Ward. It's a 2004 Ferrara Intruder Pump truck.

Mr. Lindsey has no problems with it but asked what type of truck is this? Mr. Trascher said we need two resolutions. It's a pumper truck. Mr. Trascher asked for the approximate value of the truck. Chief Dockery said the last he looked one up, which was in better shape, it was worth approximately \$20,000 but, I would put an approximate value of \$10,000 on this one.

Mr. Trascher states we do not have the need for this truck in our fleet and proposes to accept the first resolution, Resolution Number 2025-020, which is to Surplus the 2004 Apparatus. VIN #44KFT428X4WZ20484.

By approving this Resolution, we will be taking this vehicle out of service for our District and declare it a surplus and is no longer needed. Any questions? Mr. Trascher said, with no further discussion, I move that we approve the resolution to surplus this vehicle. Mr. Lindsey seconds.

Mrs. Blackwell calls a roll call vote. 4 yeas, no nays, motion carries.

DONATE APPARATUS

Mr. Trascher explains that the second part of this is transaction is to donate this apparatus to District 7, located in Talisheek, Louisiana, as we have a mutual aid agreement with Fire District 7 and we can expect benefits from their use of this vehicle. It is more cost effective to donate the vehicle to Fire District 7. If there are no further questions, I move to approve Resolution 2025-021, which would donate this piece of equipment to Fire District No. 7. Mr. Lindsey seconds the motion.

Mrs. Blackwell calls a roll call vote. 4 yeas, no nays, motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mrs. Blackwell ask for any Public Comments or anything from the Board.

Mr. Trascher thanks the Firefighters that are present and states the appreciation to them. Also, the Parish Councilman for District 9 will have a meeting here, tomorrow night, at our Firehouse if anyone has any questions.

Mr. Swann stated that the program that pays for wrecks may also pay for any house fires also.

Mr. Trascher asked Captain Sidney Anderson for an update on the Civil Service Board. Captain Anderson said we have a promotional test coming up. We sent in the paper work for it and waiting on OSE for a date for the text.

Mrs. Blackwell asked if there was anything else, with nothing, do we have a motion to adjourn? Mr. Lindsey makes a motion to adjourn, Mr. Dreux seconds. With a roll call vote, 4 yeas, no nays. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.