

St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 11 Board of Commissioners Minutes of the Meeting on October 9, 2018 Fire Chief Jack Dockery

ROLL CALL

Don Thanars – Present Russell Lindsey - Present Emile Lombard - Present Floyd Trascher – Present Michele Blackwell – Present

INVOCATION PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MINUTES FINANCIAL REPORT

MINUTES

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Thanars?

Mr. Trascher said, Mr. Thanars did text me and I think, he did you also, that he was just leaving work. He was on his way but would be a few minutes late and I told him that we would open and start with some of the routine business.

Mrs. Blackwell said, okay.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, has everybody read and approved the minutes from September 11th meeting?

Mr. Lombard said, I looked over them and I didn't see anything that jumped out at me.

Mr. Trascher said, I did also and I would move that we approve them with the video governing.

Mr. Thanars said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, how do yo vote Mr. Russell?

Mr. Lindsey said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Lombard?

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Trascher?

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, motion carries. We will move on to the Financial Report, Chief?

FINANCIAL REPORT – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, I have been working with Bobby today and this is going off the amended budget. We are looking at a target of 75%. The only thing that we have is capital purchases and this will be used up within the next month or month and a half. We started the process to dwindling down that money but everything else is running in line.

Mr. Trascher asked, Chief, with the capital, what line item is that?

Chief Dockery said, line item would be 114 and 115. It's EMS Equipment and Fire Equipment. EMS Equipment, we are looking at a...

Mrs. Blackwell said, it's going to be a list...

Chief Dockery said, EMS Equipment, I am looking at a patient lift and a digital laryngoscope for the medic's and on the fire side I have a gear washer and a gear dryer for our PPE's. So, this account will be drawn down to nearly zero.

Mr. Trascher said, okay, on the EMS side, the monitor, are we dealing with that this year?

Chief Dockery said, I am not dealing with that this year. It's so late in the year I did not want to fight for bids so, I did place that in next years budget for capital. I placed, I want to, I believe, \$40,000, in EMS Capital for the monitor. That would cover it completely. Mr. Trascher said, but we will be able to get them, at least, certified through that time period?

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, okay, thank you. Now, is this being introduced this evening as a amended budget that we need to approve by the end of the year?

Chief Dockery said, yes. This would be the amended budget. I know I presented it last meeting, gave it the 30 days for review and I believe we talked about pushing it through at this meeting.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, okay, is that it for the Financial Report for right now until we get to the budget later?

Chief Dockery said, that's all I have unless, Bobby, do you have anything?

Bobby Gowan said, I have just a couple quick items. We did do the worker's comp audit last week, last Thursday. It was within 5% or 10%. Said it was going to be a few extra expenses involving that but it was pretty close. You still got to go through and calculate based on the administrator's versus firefighter indemnities but she didn't have any other issues, you didn't have any issues with subcontractors and issues like that.

Chief Dockery said, okay.

Mr. Gowan said, we are currently working with Chief on the 2019 budget also.

Chief Dockery said, yes, I think we cleared that up earlier though.

Mr. Gowan said, yes, so it is in line with the 2018 amended budget. There are no items that stand out besides a few items like the monitor for the EMS Capital Purchases.

Mrs. Blackwell said, okay. If that's it for the finances, we will move to the Chief's Report.

CHIEF'S REPORT/EMS REPORT – Chief Jack Dockery

Mrs. Blackwell said, it's for you again, Chief.

Chief Dockery said, for the month of September, we had:

EMS	55
MVA	4
GAS LEAK	1
STRUCTURE FIRE	1
FALSE ALARM	5
SERVICE CALLS/GOOD INTENT	8
POLICE MATTERS	2
ALARM MALFUNCTION	5
TOTAL	77

Chief Dockery said, we will begin hydrant testing starting tonight. We are going to try doing it in the evening time with the hopes of, by morning time any sediment to be settled. We are trying to prevent the brown water if we can. So, this will go on tonight on into Thursday. I'm going to try and get it done in little pieces and not shock the whole system at once. So, it's a new approach that might work great, it might blow up in our face and still produce the brown water but, we are going to at least give it a shot and see how it goes.

Night Out Against Crime is this Friday. We will be out there in full force. We will have both pieces of our fire prevention equipment out there.

Mr. Lombard asked, that is going to be held where?

Chief Dockery said, Town Hall.

Mr. Lombard said, I thought it was.

Chief Dockery continued, so, we are looking to have a good outcome. It's suppose to be relatively cool that day and hopefully it's nice and crisp and we have a lot of people come out and enjoy themselves.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, what time does it start?

Chief Dockery said, I it starts at 6:00, I believe.

Mr. Lombard said, I think so.

Chief Dockery said, 6:00 to 9:00. We have ladder testing. We have our annual ladder testing coming up next Tuesday so, we will have a company that comes out from Arkansas and they test all of our ground ladders and aerial ladders. This is for our PIAL rating. This is one of them that they do check when they do come and you have to have consecutive years. So, they will be here Tuesday to do our 2018 test. And course, PIAL, they will be here October 23 at 9:00am. It could be 2 days, we have to see how it goes. Sometimes he is able to get through with us in one day but, we have turned everything we could in and we scratched for any points that we can and we are going to see where we lie on it.

Mr. Lombard asked, we don't have any big issue out there?

Chief Dockery said, I mean, they have changed around a little bit in their realm. I don't want to say it's a shot in the dark but, we have done everything we can do on our part. There are things that we can't control like, water supply, we will have to see how that goes.

Mr. Lindsey asked, and your good on all of the equipment?

Chief Dockery said, yes, any equipment that we were lacking or in need of replacement has been replaced. We've made sure we have generators and fans to the right CMS's and any saws I've ordered, some pneumatic chisels for the service and the ladder that takes place of a cutting torch. So, anything we could do, we've done for equipment wise.

Mr. Lindsey said, so you don't foresee us having to put out any expenses to...

Chief Dockery said, no, we've already put that out earlier this year. And, of course, this month is Fire Prevention Month. Actually, this week is Fire Prevention week. We've talked with the schools and we have set dates up with the schools. Little Pearl and we are waiting on Riverside. Riverside, we haven't been able to have Fire Prevention in 6 or 7 years but, now there is a new principle and she is willing to work with us so we can still get the message out to the young children about Fire Prevention. So, that is a great relationship we are working with right now. So, we are setting up a date with them. We have a date set up with Little Pearl for Fire Prevention. Other than that, that's all I have for the Chief's Report.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, is this the EMS report right here?

EMS REPORT – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, yep. For the month of September, we have brought in \$12,503.33. Like I said, we are well ahead of our \$10,000, range. Looking at the Financial Report, we are only \$34,536, away from meeting our \$168,000, goal. So, we are at 79.44% for the year so, as long as we keep track, we should meet that \$168,000. I'm sorry, side note, my Chief of Ops isn't here tonight. I have three employees right now, in Slidell doing a Pump Ops class. Two of my Operators and Chief of Ops are there. It's a two week course. They went through all last week and this is the final week of it, so, when they come out of this, they will go and test at LSU and they will be all Pump Op Certified and they will understand how to operate the pump on the truck and they can drive it now but they will drive it more proficiently and safely. So, just to let you know about that.

Mr. Trascher said, very good.

Chief Dockery said, I am just going to stay up here, see if there is anything else. I don't have the agenda.

Mrs. Blackwell said, so, you are finished with the EMS Report?

Chief Dockery said, I am.

Mrs. Blackwell said, alright, we will move on to Old Business, Update on Standard Operating Procedure for Appointing Authority, Floyd.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE ON STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTING AUTHORITY – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher said, yes, Chief, at the last meeting we discussed putting together a Standard Operating Procedure for that.

Chief Dockery said, yes, I've been, you've got in front of you a flow chart and a, I want to call it a draft. I did a draft ink mark on it. It's a work in progress here, but, I know, I wanted to show the Chief, the Chief of Ops position, how it is directly underneath the Chief and Chief of Operations will take over responsibilities and actions if the Chief is not present. Working my way down to Deputy Chief and I wanted to figure out exactly what else I want to put under Deputy Chief and move down to Captains. I would like to go all the way down the links to Firefighter. For my flow chart, just a brief, brief overview of it. I did notice when I was sitting here, I probably could have, two of these I should have put non-classified. I have classified positions, Fire Chief, Chief of Operations, and three Captains. My other two Captains have been volunteer Captains for years. One of them is over training. That's who we use to set up training classes, he keeps the records for training. My other Captain who has always been over maintenance. He has always dealt with trucks, any issues we have with trucks.

Mr. Lombard asked, these are Captains we already have?

Chief Dockery said, yes, but they are not classified. Like I said, this is a work in progress. I am going to go back and make sure that they are not in the Civil Service Classification as Captain.

Mr. Trascher said, so, these would be part time, similar to as needed, it's just like volunteers.

Chief Dockery said, exactly. But, you have it in front of you to kind of, look over. Any suggestions, by all means, I am willing to listen and we can throw it at the wall and see if it sticks. I want to progress down through the ranks and give each one their own little section to know what is expected and how the flow will go with them. So, other than that...

Mr. Lombard said, good start, good start.

Mr. Trascher said, absolutely.

Mr. Lindsey asked, are you looking at anybody that is going to be in particular heading up the volunteer division or trying to move forward with recruiting more volunteers?

Chief Dockery said, I haven't at the moment. But, we could sit down and talk about it. I've got one Captain that really deals with the Fire Prevention and inspections so, I don't really want to put it on him. I can check with my other two Captains and see which one has more time to see who is willing to finish off on the volunteer side. We are getting a few more applications in but, of course, we can always use more.

Mr. Lindsey said, I was just curious because myself, I would like to see us do some recruiting and try to build the ranks up on the volunteer side of it.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, a development program.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Thanars, you have something to say?

Mr. Thanars said, Chief, are explore as a potential as a collateral duty, you know, you mentioned about classified and unclassified positions and making it, you know, because I don't think that necessarily has to be a part time position. It could be a part of one of the full time or classified position, not unless there is some restriction that says otherwise, is that correct?

Chief Dockery said, on a responsibility wise?

Mr. Thanars said, right. Just to kind of, have over site and responsibility to recruit, you know, because training to me is training be it for your full time or your part time.

Chief Dockery said, yes, it could go volunteer. Like I said, our training Captain, he works part time. He volunteers his time so, he is not a full time employee. He is able to keep up with those records and training.

Mr. Thanars said, alright, thank you.

Mr. Trascher said, alright, if it pleases the Board, maybe we can hold this to review it and if the Chief has any other fine tuning he would like to do on it before we take action, maybe at the next meeting.

Chief Dockery said, alright.

Mrs. Blackwell said, we will move to the next under Old Business, Budget, Mr. Trascher.

BUDGET – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher said, I put the Budget on there. I think we were going to introduce the 2019 Budget tonight?

Chief Dockery said, yes. In front of you, this would be the 2019. I sat down or talked to Bobby today and had a few areas I really needed to look at but, kind of, fine tuned. We are projected to have a little more money next year. So, I just wanted you all to look over this and it will run in the paper this Thursday and go it's 30 day course.

Mr. Trascher said, public viewing, inspections.

Chief Dockery said, public viewing, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, while we are on the budget issue, the amendments to the 2018 Budget, would you want to hold off on those until next month when we adopt this one and then we can adopt this one and that one also at the same time in the event you have to make any changes?

Chief Dockery said, I am good with that.

Mr. Trascher said, if that is the case, then I would move that we receive both budgets this evening to lay over for the 30 day period and take action at our November meeting.

Mr. Thanars said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Thanars, how do you vote?

Mr. Thanars said, yea.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Lindsey, how do you vote?

Mr. Lindsey said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Lombard, how do you vote?

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Trascher, how do you vote?

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, motion carries. Okay, we will move on to our next thing, New Business, Standard Operating Procedures for Public Events.

NEW BUSINESS

STANDARD PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC EVENTS – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher said, I put that on the agenda. I understand that we may have been charging for public events to go to or appear at public events and things like that. We have a operating procedure for that. For example, the Night Out Against Crime, any government sponsored event, I don't think we should charge for our presence.

Chief Dockery said, we don't charge.

Mr. Trascher said, we don't charge, we have never charged the Town?

Chief Dockery said, the only thing we charge for is, when we have a festival, we charge, we basically, the Town is hiring off duty personnel as Town workers for that day. We donate the use of a Med unit and they just pay the two people that man that unit a rate for that day. Other than that, there's nothing that is charged to anybody from the department for the event. It is done with no charge at all. The Night Out Against Crime, 4th of July Festival, Christmas Festival, nothing is charged for that.

Mr. Trascher said, I think that it may be in our best interest, if we can work on developing, say a SOP for the departments public appearances and possible charges. For example, if we had to be at a private event, something along those lines I think that we should get our cost. But, if we are going to be on a training event like where I have seen the department come out and burn a house down for training purposes, we shouldn't charge for that. That's part of our training, it's part of our public duties.

Mr. Thanars said, you can't do that anymore?

Chief Dockery said, well, you can but, you basically, by the time you take everything out of the house that is required to be out, there's only a wood frame left so, you may as well knock it down anyway.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, while your hauling off.

Chief Dockery said, yes, there are so many regulations on that it's...

Mr. Trascher said, I think we need to look at developing a procedure where if we were to, if we were required to be at an event, that's a private function, I think that we should be able to get at lease, our cost back. In a government event, I don't think that we should charge for it.

Mr. Lindsey asked, have we ran into an event where...

Mrs. Blackwell asked, a private event?

Chief Dockery said, not private, the only thing we run into is the football games. High school requires a unit to be there and be, stationary there so we have to call in a Medic and a Firefighter/Operator to work that and we pay them. So, we are going to get with the schools to try and get an agreement to where they will at least pay reimbursements for the cost of the Medic and the Firefighter.

Mr. Lombard said, salaries.

Mr. Trascher said, and again, that would fit right in with our operating procedure.

Chief Dockery said, that's why, when I asked you, it didn't make sense on that part. I was like, yes this is something that we are looking at.

Mr. Trascher said, well it takes you from being, having to make a decision at the time is this or that. We have a guideline and we can give it to the Town, everybody that is going to be involved and they will know what to expect.

Mrs. Blackwell said, Mr. Thanars, I think you had something to say?

Mr. Thanars said, what, I think that is consistent with what happens with the Sheriff's Department, don't they reimburse for what they call Resource Officers. Those have to be funded separately from a regular Police Officer that has general patrol duties because they are assigned to a specific location, is that correct?

Chief Dockery said, Resource Officers are paid by the school. When school is in session.

Mr. Thanars said, but they are permanently assigned so that's separate from the regular patrol guys...

Chief Dockery said, yes, the regular patrol guys, when they are, when they work the football game, the Pear River High football game, they get paid X amount of dollars per hour. It's some rate, I don't want to put a rate out there and it be incorrect.

Mrs. Blackwell said, it's like detail work.

Mr. Thanars said, so this would be consistent with that. I think what you were talking about.

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mr. Thanars said, okay.

Mr. Lindsey asked, Chief, do you know what the other departments are charging or how they are working there?

Chief Dockery said, I know District 1 has it and they have a certain rate but they do it for junior high games. I want to say Acadian covers the high school games but I am not sure. I have heard that it was no charge but I want to actually talk to them and see to make sure it is no charge. I would like to recuperate some of that money being that is it pretty much, a stationary unit for that game. It can't hurt to try.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, I mean, we are taking that unit out of service for this district.

Mr. Thanars said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, so it does have an inherit cost. So, is that something, that's something we could be developing?

Chief Dockery said, yes. I have started looking at other districts to try and get an idea, talking with them and seeing if they have a policy.

Mr. Trascher said, like the fireworks display, you are required to be there. I guess if you have a fire or something, the department may be required to be there. At least, if it is a private function, we would be able to recoup the cost.

Chief Dockery said, yes, private function, by all means. But, like I said, most of the time for the Town, we do it for public relations.

Mr. Trascher said, well, I think any government, we need to work with the Town and by the way, I see our Mayor has joined us this evening.

Mrs. Blackwell said, good evening Mayor.

Mr. Trascher said, Mayor McQueen, I didn't say Lavinge, is said, McQueen.

Mr. Lombard said, he caught himself halfway through.

Mayor McQueen said, (inaudible).

Mr. Trascher said, we need to work hand and hand because you know the water is critical to this department as you know and the Town supplies the water and if we could be out there, it's a good visibility or this department and we can pass out cards, we can advertise, you know, we could make a real, a professional public appearance and if we are going to do that same thing at a private event, we can get our money. I am not going to say anymore.

Mr. Lombard said, I'm didn't say anything.

Mr. Thanars said, my only one concern is just saying private, just being clear on what that is. You know, private events that mandate that we have to be there, because we provide a public service to the community it think when we do that. So, I am not sure what private events would necessitate that we have to have a...

Mr. Lindsey said, I would think that if the private event is maybe benefiting, like if they were making money on it but if it's an event just for the public where there is no cost, like the Trunk or Treat coming up. It's a free something for the public and I don't think there should be a cost for that because, I mean, it's a free service for the public.

Chief Dockery said, and we will be there.

Mr. Thanars said, that's actually put on by the Town.

Mr. Lindsey said, no, that's a private. That's put on through the Lions Club and just members of the Town but, it's a free event just to give back to the community.

Mr. Thanars said, but there's no, I think it's just words, when we said it requires us to be there. I think it's good will and we should be there but if it's just something, what we said was we were required to be there, there's no requirement for us to be there. It's a good will for us to be there.

Mr. Trascher said, I guess the school would be a good example of a place that you would be required. They have to send that unit out there. If there was a big party, let's say, and in order to have the party and have fire works or have a fire or something, they may require the presence of the fire department to keep it from getting out of hand. That would be a private function, that's something the Town is not sponsoring and we should recoup our cost.

Mr. Thanars said, then in cases like that I think it's just beyond the use of the firefighters time, we are taking government equipment. So, then it's the total cost so I think that it's not just the people, you have to look at this realistically.

Mr. Trascher said, well, when we develop this operating procedure, we need to do similar to what FEMA does and we may be able to use their rates. FEMA has a rate for all the equipment that we use in a storm and that would give us a good base line to start with if we

had to respond to that and we we had the truck out there for 10 hours and we could use the hourly rate from FEMA.

Mr. Lindsey said, keep in mind when you are doing it that at some point, we may be approached from the movie industry to be on stand by or something like that.

Chief Dockery said, we have in the past and there again, we had a set rate for personnel and equipment and the department made a little bit, not much, but they venture here every now and then through this area. I will get with Fire District 1 because I know they have a rate for basically, fire watch. Some contractors come in and do big burn piles and still have people go sit out there. So, I'll get with them more on that and that's kind of getting away from a public event. That's kind of a specialty event, but still, I think they can go hand and hand to give us a base run off for that.

Mr. Trascher said, another example is the Parade. The parade is I guess under the Lions Club umbrella but it's a joint venture with the Town. So, our participation in the parade...

Mr. Lindsey said, it's a free event.

Mr. Trascher said, exactly, it's a government sponsored event and it's not "for profit".

Chief Dockery said, we mostly, we are there but we get out the way too. We position our trucks to where we can move in front of the parade and behind the parade in case we have to.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, it should follow, you know, like you said, so that in the event that something comes up you can get out of the line up. Okay, so, that's something that he Chief will be putting in motion.

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, okay, so if that's it on that, we will move to the next one. Updated Manual, Floyd?

UPDATED MANUAL – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher asked, can I talk now?

Mr. Lombard said, you doing a good job on it.

Mr. Trascher said, I guess, I don't know if everybody is on the email list with Karlin Riles, the Parish, she was a Parish attorney. You know with the, I am sure everybody is aware that the civil litigation between the St. Tammany Parish and the District Attorney's Office has been settled and the District Attorney has prevailed as the legal representation for Boards and Commissions in St. Tammany Parish. Karlin Riles is someone who we had been working with the Legal Department in the Parish and Mr. Montgomery has hired her as an ADA and she is

the one that is dealing primarily with the Boards and Commissions. They updated their manual through the District Attorney's Office. The Board and Commission's Manual. This is what the Parish put together in the beginning and it's been updated with Mr. Montgomery now, through his office and the attorney's. It was emailed electronically to everybody, everybody that they had one the list but, what I did was, I asked, Mrs. Rinkus to print it for us so that we have it and each member of the Board would have it. If you have any questions or anything like that, they can read the manual and address them.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, anybody have any comments?

Mr. Trascher said, Madam Chairman, it says legal contact, that was also put on there. That is what this is for, our contact person would be Karlin Riles.

Mr. Thanars said, Floyd, I know that we previously had submitted, I'm sorry, Madam Chair?

Mrs. Blackwell said, Mr. Thanars.

Mr. Thanars said, we previously had some issues outstanding that we had submitted to get some, you know, legal guidance for over the past two years. So, is that now, since that has been settled...

Mr. Trascher said, Mr. Thanars...

Mr. Thanars said, you know what I am saying.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, I did get a call from Mrs. Riles requesting information on that issue and I provided that information. I am awaiting, the wheels are turning, just, it just takes a while.

Mr. Thanars said, okay.

Mr. Lombard said, that will go with the other information that you submitted.

Mrs. Blackwell said, it has been bounced back over to her.

Mr. Trascher said, the box that we brought up there, yes.

Mr. Thanars said, okay, and the last thing, I would just cross check against the current Bylaws. You know, we do need to review those and if they require any amendments we will need to do that. So, that would be for the next agenda. I will look at it.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, I think that our Bylaws say that we use the Parish attorney's. So, probably would need to, and it's still the same person, it's just that the District Attorney, we are under his umbrella now.

Mr. Thanars said, okay, thank you.

Mr. Trascher said, and with the Legal Contact, I am finished.

Mrs. Blackwell said, so that's it?

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, we want to thank you Mayor, for coming out tonight.

Mayor McQueen said, I have a question on that. I don't know if it should be directed to the Board or to the Chief. On an open fire, I know our ordinances coincide with the Parish and the State. Anything over 4 foot by 4 foot has to be manned by somebody with a water hose. Do you all give out permits for individuals to have bon fires in all the neighborhoods? Because, we don't give permits for them.

Chief Dockery said, we haven't given permits in the past, we just follow the Parish, the 4 by 8 law. That's the one that we follow by. Like I said, I don't know if the Town has anything different or if it's all of the same permit, or ordinance I should say.

Mayor McQueen said, well, if anybody is building something bigger they would have to come through you to get a permit then. We don't sell the permits for the Fire Department.

Chief Dockery said, no, like I said, we've never done a permit in the past but, this is something we can look into. Like I said, we follow the guidelines of the Parish ordinances for fire.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, the Parish has a burn regulation, if I may Chief, the burn regulations with the Parish and it specifically states that it cannot be within 50 feet of a residence. It can only be 4 by 4 and this would coincide with our operating procedure. If somebody wanted to have a bigger fire than that they would need the fire department. Because, even with the 4 by 4 you need to be out there with the hose. But, if you were going to have a bigger fire than that, you would need the presence of this department.

Mr. Lombard said, a whole new meaning to house warming.

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mayor McQueen said, if the fires are any bigger they need to go through the Department to get approval to do it or have them there on standby. That's my concerns, if it's going to be in a neighborhood. I think the Chief should be involved in it.

Chief Dockery said, yes, 4 by 8, 50 foot...

Mr. Trascher said, 4 by 4, yes.

Mr. Lindsey said, it's a 4 by 8, 4 foot high, right?

Chief Dockery said, yes, well, I want to say 4 by 8, 4 foot high, 8 foot wide and 50 feet from...

Mr. Trascher said, a residence.

Chief Dockery said, a residence or...

Mr. Trascher said, you have to be there with a hose or some water source.

Chief Dockery said, with a hose or a water source.

Mrs. Blackwell said, I guess that would go back to our operating procedures for that.

Chief Dockery said, yes, that is...

Mrs. Blackwell said, something that would be a pay item for that.

Mr. Trascher said, so if there was something that was bigger than that and they called out the department, you would have to extinguish it.

Chief Dockery said, yes. That, or if anyone complains about any type of smoke, allergies, asthma or something.

Mr. Trascher said, then you would extinguish it.

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mr. Trascher asked, Mayor, did that help any?

Mayor McQueen said, I just want to make sure that he was, that y'all were in control of it, he was.

Mr. Thanars said, the Chief was.

Mayor McQueen said, because we don't give permits for residential fires.

Mr. Lombard said, tell them to see the Chief.

Mayor McQueen said, so, I just wanted to make sure, if you all did have anything, if y'all would give a permit, that I knew about it.

Chief Dockery said, yes, no, we never have given a permit in the past but it is something that we will start looking at being that we have started our Fire Bureau with the inspections and what not. So, that will be an area that we will look at but, as of today, in the past, we have never given a permit.

Mayor McQueen said, I just wanted to make sure. It's in your hands not mine. I would like to know how you all keep Emile so quiet up there.

Mr. Lombard said, I am suppose to keep Floyd quiet.

Mr. Trascher said, his medication that's why.

Mrs. Blackwell said, that's a hard job either way. Ok, if there is no other... Thank you for coming out tonight Mayor. If there is no other business, do we have a motion to adjourn?

Mr. Lombard said, motion to adjourn.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, a second?

Mr. Thanars said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell said, Mr. Thanars, how do you vote?

Mr. Thanars said, yea.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, MR. Russell Lindsey, how do you vote?

Mr. Lindsey said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Emile Lombard?

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, Mr. Floyd Trascher?

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, motion carried.

Mr. Trascher said, I would like to thank everybody for coming out.