



St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 11
Board of Commissioners
Meeting Minutes from December 16, 2014

Roll Call

Michele Blackwell, Chairman – Present
Emile Lombard, Vice-Chairman – Absent
Floyd Trascher, Secretary – Present
Eugene Swann, Treasurer – Present
Lloyd Guy Songy, Vice-Secretary – Present

Also present were Mark Waniewski, Shannon Dardar and Joe DiGiovanni

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from November 18, 2014, was made by Floyd Trascher and seconded by Eugene Swann. All in favor.

Treasurer's Report

Joe DiGiovanni presented the treasurer's report. He said the budget was in line through November 30, 2014.

Chief's Report

56 Runs Total
34 EMS calls
7 motor vehicle accidents
1 extrication
4 woods/grass fires
1 animal rescue
6 false calls
1 smoke scare
1 electric
1 police assist

Chief Leos presented his five-year strategic plan based on the current millage rate (copy attached).

Chief Leos recommended the fire district update the pay scale to comply with state law.

The AFG Grant has been submitted. It was written for a rescue pumper.

The LGAP Grant was written and submitted for two new thermal imagers.

Tim Bruns, Chief of Operations, attended a Civil Service seminar in Baton Rouge.

Estimates for updating the electrical at Station #111 are being obtained. Mr. Swann said he would like to get the City of Slidell electricians to come out and look at it after the first of the year.

Chief Leos presented copies of the 2015 budget proposal.

EMS Report

Pam Little was not present.

New Business

PMI Report

Resolution No. 2014-029: Board of Commissioners By-Laws
This resolution was tabled.

Resolution No. 2014-034: Approve 2015 Budget
A motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-034 was made by Mr. Trascher and seconded by Mr. Songy. All in favor.

Resolution No. 2014-035: Adopt 2015 Pay Scale
A motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-035 was made by Mr. Trascher and seconded by Mr. Songy. All in favor.

Resolution No. 2014-036: Adopt Section 125 Cafeteria Plan (POP and FSA)
This would allow for preferential tax treatment for any employee that has deductions for medical and childcare. A motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-036 was made by Mr. Trascher and seconded by Mr. Swann. All in favor.

Resolution No. 2014-037: Approve Strategic Plan
A motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-037 was made by Mr. Trascher and seconded by Mr. Songy. All in favor.

Resolution No. 2014-038: Financial Services
Two bids were received to provide financial services for the district, one from PMI Resource, LLC in the amount of \$700.00 per month and one from DiGiovanni and Associates in the

amount of \$950.00 per month. A motion to approve PMI Resource, LLC as the financial provider was made by Mr. Songy and seconded by Mr. Swann. All in favor.

Resolution No. 2014-039: Board of Commissioners Meeting Date & Time

This resolution would be to move the Board of Commissioners meetings to the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. This resolution died from lack of motion and the meetings will remain the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

State Unemployment

Mr. Waniewski said that right now the district pays a fixed rate on the first \$7,000.00. Because the district is a public entity, they could go on a reimbursement only account, which means they would not pay on the first \$7,000.00 but would only reimburse if benefits were paid.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Trascher and seconded by Mr. Songy. All in favor.