



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
September 9, 2025
7:00 pm – 7:56 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

Mr. Trascher makes a motion to move an item up on the agenda to accommodate Mrs. Wynn Williams with Hancock Whitney Bank.

WYNN WILLIAMS (HANCOCK WHITNEY BANK) – Chief Jack Dockery

Mrs. Williams thanks the Board for accommodating her and discusses the balances and interest paid to the accounts held by St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 11. Mrs. Williams discussed interest earned and presented the new contract with Hancock Whitney Bank and STFPD11. Last year there were no fees but, because of the check scanning, the Bank is adding a fee of \$50 per month for the cost of check deposits and other services provided by Hancock Whitney Bank.

Mrs. Blackwell asked if anyone had any questions?

The Board had no questions and Mr. Trascher thanks Mrs. Williams for monitoring our accounts and giving good advice. Mr. Trascher moves to approve the contract with Hancock Whitney Bank. Mr. Lindsey seconds the motion.

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

Mrs. Williams offers any assistance needed for the millage coming up or anything else needed.

Mr. Trascher said we will call for the election in April. We have some events coming up, the Christmas Program, we plan to be very visible.

Mrs. Williams said with this being a rural area and your response time is 3 minutes, especially with the ambulance, you can't ask for a better service.

Mr. Trascher said we are very proud of our services and it provides a good service to the public and is not a burden on the tax payer. The service pays for itself, training and provides a valuable service to the constituents.

(AGENDA SCHEDULE RESUMED)

MINUTES

Mrs. Blackwell resumes the Agenda schedule at this time. Has everybody read and approved the minutes of the August 12, 2025?

Mr. Trascher reviewed the minutes and 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 August, with a target rate of 67%. Going through the monthly bills, Medical Equipment and Repairs, we talked about this last meeting. Due to a contract that was held over from last year, we are at 171% on that line item. That will be amended when we do our amended budget.

On the second page, Engine 111, is at \$23,514.88, which is the repairs done on the engine. This is the one we are taking the money from the Bond Surplus account. We will amend the budget for it to show it. Other than those items, everything is close to where it needs to be.

MEDIC 112

Medic 112 is ready, not 100% but, we still have a few little issues we are working through. Everything else seems to be running in line.

Mrs. Blackwell asked if there were any questions. No questions, we will go into the Ambulance side of the report.

EMS REPORT

EMS brought in \$12,737.80. It would have been more but we didn't get a deposit in until the first of the month. That will show on next months total. We are at 92.2% of our projection for the year. I am pretty sure we will come to that or surpass it by the end of the year.

Mrs. Blackwell asked for any questions or concerns about the EMS report. No questions or concerns, we will move to the Chief's Report.

CHIEF'S REPORT/ EMS REPORT - Chief Jack Dockery

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

EMS	39
MVA	3
SERVICE/GOOD INTENT	15
TRASH/GRASS FIRES	2
DISPATCHED/CANCELLED IN ROUTE	4
POLICE MATTERS	4
FALSE ALARMS	8
 TOTAL	 75

Chief Dockery spoke to Mrs. Karen about the Breast Cancer Awareness car show they are having. I met with her Friday and we are going to try to help them out to the best of our abilities. Hopefully it will be a good turn out. It's for a good cause.

Mrs. Blackwell asked for any questions about the Chief's Report. With no questions, we will move to Old Business.

OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE ON WELL WATER SYSTEM – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher said, I understand Captain Anderson has found a solution that we can afford for the water well distribution system. Captain, would you explain?

Captain Anderson said, yes sir, in front of you is the AMT Stainless Pump information, this pump will pump no less than 300 gallons per minute. We will be able to test it when it is

installed.

With the cost of the pump and a 7ft by 7ft concrete shed house, incidentals and electrical, it would be about \$10,000. That's with using the pipe we have down now, which there is no reason we can't use that pipe, and with a few new fittings at the pump and we will need someone to come out for the electrical.

Mr. Trascher said, we have been through this repeatedly and I believe \$10,000, for them to put the pump on, per our discussions, would be an acceptable amount. This has the possibility of 700 gallons.

Mr. Dreux asked, would this be on a draft mode for water flow? Captain Anderson said no, we should be able to fill right to the truck. Mr. Lindsey asked about the contract saying that it's up to 120 ft, with 52 psi, we shouldn't have a cavitation problem. Then asked, what size pipe is there now? Captain Anderson said, no to cavitation problems and it's 2.5 inch pipes. We cannot use it for faucets because the tank is too big and it's possible for bacteria and others. This is a water supply intended for water suppression and washing streets, trucks, etc.

Mr. Trascher said, we have reviewed this extensively, I am ready to move on it. I move that we fund Chief up to \$10,000, for the installation of this pump. Now, do we have money in the budget that we can do that with?

Chief Dockery said we had money in our restricted account but, we can look to see what we have in our budget. Mr. Trascher said, if we don't have a readily available source for funding in the budget now, my motion would include approval to move \$10,000 from the Restricted Fund account to complete that project.

Mr. Lindsey asked what type of door are we putting on this? Will \$10,000, be enough?

Captain Anderson said the doors would be like the new plastic buildings.

Mr. Lindsey asked if we should build something bigger to withstand the weather. Mr. Trascher suggest getting it installed and and running, then we can build it. Mr. Lindsey said, I am all for building something that looks nice and will last. Maybe for storage etc.

Captain Anderson said, the pump is 16" wide by 36" long.

Mr. Trascher said, Chief, before we get a second, I just wanted to know where it would be financed from. It's decided to take the money from the Bond Surplus Account.

Mr. Trascher moves to take the \$10,000, from the Bond Surplus Account to fund the installation of the pump and determine what type of shelter. Mr. Lindsey seconds.

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

UPDATE ON BUILDING RENOVATIONS – Floyd Trascher

Captain Sidney Anderson explains the plans were sent to the State Fire Marshall and was told that we need the mechanical, electrical and plumbing plans as well and reached out to several firms, municipal buildings to get the plans done. Mr. Dale Clark, in Slidell, was the only one that responded. He came out and reviewed the plans that were done and had to change a few things. Apparently, he will handle the construction from start to finish. His proposal for his fee is 10% of the construction cost, which is under the state fee. The Board has the papers from him, to review.

Chief Dockery asked the Board, does anyone have knowledge on the next step? Does this need to be bid out?

Mr. Swann answered you can bid it out but you need a set of plans to bid it.

The complete mechanical plans need to be done first. Then, we can bid out or use the ones emailed and did not respond, which would be a no bid.

Chief Dockery will visit other Stations to get insight on the process and get information about the State Contracts. Also, we will attempt to contact the District Attorney for guidance.

WYNN WILLIAMS (HANCOCK WHITNEY BANK) – Continued

Mrs. Blackwell asked to go back to Mrs. Williams (Hancock Whitney Bank) because the Resolution was voted on. Mr. Trascher read the Resolution 2025-022 into the record that approves Mrs. Wynn Williams as the Fiscal Agent for the Department.

Mr. Trascher motions to accept Resolution 2025-022. Mr. Lindsey seconds. A roll call vote was done, all in favor, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS

CALL FOR MILLLIAGE ELECTION – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief explained that Mr. Trascher has the Resolution and he needs 6 original signed copies of the Resolution approving calling for a Special Election on April 18, 2026, for millage renewal. The Governing Authority will meet at a regular meeting on May 12, 2026, to approve the election results. This Resolution number is 2025-023.

Mr. Trascher moved to approve the resolution, Mr. Lindsey seconds the motion. A roll call vote was called. All in favor, motion carried.

2026 BUDGET INTRODUCTION – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery introduces the 2026 Budget and explains that it will not be voted on until November. This is required so it has time to be put in the paper (The Farmer). Income is reviewed from LWCC and Agile Storage will be coming on the tax roll.

Rooms to Go is on tax roll now, as of last year. AWG is still on the development program. We have not received any information from the Assessor's Office yet. We will receive more information in late October.

With no other questions, we move to Public Comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Mr. Trascher thanks everyone and makes a motion to adjourn. Mr. Lindsey seconds. A roll call vote is roll call vote is called, all in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.