

Ward Four FPD Minutes, December 2020

A regular meeting of the Ward Four Fire Protection District of Jackson Parish was called to order at 7:00 p.m., on December 28, 2020, at the fire district's Central Station, located at 261 Hwy 505, Jonesboro, LA . This meeting was called to order by Kent Hightower, fire district board president.

Fire district board members in attendance included Kent Hightower, Scotty Nunn, Billy Wayne Pullig, Marc Thomas, and Jimmy Tolar. Others in attendance included Scott Savage, Daniel Allen, and Heather Holland. There were no guests present.

Jimmy Tolar presented the opening prayer.

There were no public comments.

After reviewing the minutes of the November 2020 fire district board meeting, Scotty Nunn offered a motion to accept them as presented. Jimmy Tolar seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The fire board next reviewed the December 2020 financials for payment. Billy Wayne Pullig made a motion to accept the report as provided. Jimmy Toalar provided the second, and the motion carried.

Kent Hightower then amended the agenda to include 1B. Helicopter Insurance for Volunteers. Scotty Nunn made a motion to approve the amendment with Billy Wayne Pullig providing the second. . A roll call vote was performed with all yeas and no nays. There were no public comments concerning the amendment.

The board then moved on to new business. The board reviewed the 2020 proposed budget. Scotty Nunn made a motion to accept the proposed budget for 2020. Billy Wayne Pullig seconded the motion. A roll call vote was performed with all yeas and no nays.

The next item of business was the proposal to purchase helicopter insurance for the volunteer fire fighters. Chief Savage had spoken with Pafford and determined that the cost for each volunteer would be \$40/member through August 31st and there after the cost would be \$60/member annually. The chief believed this would be a small token of appreciation for the dedication that the volunteers show. After some discussion Scotty Nunn made a motion to purchase Pafford helicopter insurance for each active volunteer. Jimmy Tolar seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The board then moved onto the discussion of officers of the board. After little discussion, there was a unanimous decision to have Kent Hightower remain as President and Scotty Nunn remain as Vice President. Scotty Nunn made the motion, and Billy Wayne Pullig seconded the motion.

The board then reviewed the options for the purchase of a new truck. It was decided the best course of action would be to place the truck out for bid. The board first adopted the Winn Parish Enterprise as the fire district's official journal for publications. Billy Wayne Pullig made the motion. Jimmy Tolar seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Scotty Nunn then made a motion to put the truck out for bid in the Winn Parish Enterprise for two consecutive weeks, that being January 6 and January 13, with the bids to be delivered by mail to P.O. Box 613 by the close of postal business on January 22. All bids to be opened on January 25, 2021 at 7p.m. at 261 Hwy 505 Jonesboro, LA 71251 at the fire district's regularly scheduled board meeting. Billy Wayne Pullig seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

The board next discussed the 2021 Parcel Fee collection. Scotty Nunn made a motion to open the parcel fee roll to add any new parcels starting January 1, 2021 with the roll to close on February 28, 2021. Billy Wayne Pullig seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Next were board member comments. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year's to all volunteers and board members.

The assistant chief thanked all the board and volunteers for continued support and dedication.

Chief Savage appraised the board of the repairs to Tanker 6 as well as preparations for the upcoming PIAL re-rating.

Jimmy Tolar made a motion to adjourn. Scotty Nunn seconded the motion, and the motion carried.