



St. Tammany Parish Fire Protection District No. 11
Board of Commissioners
Minutes of the Meeting on February 12, 2019
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, has everybody read the minutes from the January 8th , meeting?

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mr. Lindsey said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, I have had the opportunity to review the minutes and they seem to be in order, I move that we approve the minutes with the video governing.

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. We will move right into the Financial Report, Chief.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Chief Dockery said, alright, not much for the finances. We have taken in 84.14% of our ad valorem so far. Where our targeted, of course, is 8%, and of course it's only February. We do have some high cost with Station 111 and Station 112. We are kind of doing, I don't want to call it remodeling, we are doing just some tender, loving, care for both stations. Getting the network stations strong in it and changes some lights, fans, just some cleaning. So, these should level out throughout the year. I don't foresee any other major purchases. We have a couple of roofers looking at the classroom here for the leaks and we've gotten a couple of quotes and we are waiting for another quote to come in. So, this will be a project that we will be handling next month or two. But, other than that for the stations, nothing right now. I don't have much going on for finances. Everything is in line for just being February.

EMS REPORT

Chief Dockery continued, we took in for medical \$14,532.88. Of course, this is higher than our \$10,000, kind of, plateau we put for ourselves each month. So, that went to 8.65% of the budget for that.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, okay, is that it for the EMS Report or the Financials for EMS?

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell said, or the Financial Report?

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, do you want to move to the Chief's Report?

CHIEF'S REPORT/EMS REPORT – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, for the month of January, we ran:

EMS	64
MVA	2
STRUCTURE FIRE	1
FALSE ALARM	2
SERVICE CALLS/GOOD INTENT	7
POLICE MATTERS	2
RUBBISH/GRASS FIRES	6
DISPATCHED/CANCELLED IN ROUTE	6
TOTAL	90

ETHICS TRAINING

Chief Dockery continued, a productive month. I just want to remind anyone who hasn't turned it in, we still have ethics training due. I just forwarded the website to the Board, so, if you haven't done it, please get it completed and get it back to us.

Mr. Thanars asked, you just need a copy of the completed?

Chief Dockery said, just a copy and I've got your copy.

LSU TRAINING

Chief Dockery said, we have LSU Training come in at least about once a month. We try and get them to come in and just supplement our own training. This Saturday we have them coming in doing the Flash Over Trailer. It will be an all day event here at the station. I am very excited about this. We have other departments coming in and joining in with the training. It is very beneficial for the whole area. That being said, we also have a Fire Fighter 1/Fire Fighter 2 class starting in March, mid March, here. This will go on for a couple of months. Recruits will receive Fire Fighter 1, Fire 2, Haz Mat Ops, Haz Mat Awareness. This is a class that we are charging for. We, roughly, have about 20 participants right now.

Mr. Lindsey asked, what kind of fee are we charging for that?

Chief Dockery said, it's \$1,500, a person and this is going to include their books and their test. Last year we put one on and we charged \$500 and we barely, I want to say, we broke even after the books were purchased and the all the test were taken. So, we fall well below what LSU is charging. I want to say they bumped theirs up to \$4,000, if you are sponsored by a department and \$7,000, if you are not sponsored by a department. So, this is a...

Mr. Lindsey said, so at this \$1,500, we got 20 people committed so far?

Chief Dockery said, yes, so it should be a very, very good class. I just want to let everyone know, also, this Sunday we have the parade in Pearl River. You can come out and...

Mr. Lombard asked, what time does it start, do you know?

Chief Dockery said, I want to say noon.

Mr. Trascher said, I thought it was 1:00?

Chief Dockery said, is it 1:00?

Mr. Lindsey said, Chief, back to the monthly training and, like the LSU training coming in for the day and everything, I haven't seen any pages coming across notifying of training.

Chief Dockery said, if they haven't paged it, I will make sure that you are in the pager and have them page that for you but, I know we sent out an email. I will make sure that they have your email that you use but, we have a couple different months set up for classes. Most of them will be in the evening time. But, usually about one a month we will have.

Mr. Lindsey asked, is there any printed schedule on that or anything.

Chief Dockery said, I believe so. I believe we have it printed out for the classes we do have. We have one in limbo because we were suppose to have it last month but the instructor was sick. It has to be rescheduled but the rest of them are set in stone with the dates and times.

Mr. Lindsey said, it would just be good to put out a page reminding people, or whatever, that we having some classes because I didn't get an email about it yet and definitely didn't get a text message. It would be good to know.

Chief Dockery said, I will let them know to shoot out a text message and let you know. I will give them your current email. They may have just shot it to your department email but, I will get that information for you.

Mr. Lindsey said, alright.

Chief Dockery said, I got one other thing and I don't really even want to talk about it but, we are going to. I've had someone contact me and contact a couple of Board members. This individual would like to purchase some of the wheel simulators that we have taken off the old trucks. Now, I have very mixed opinions on this one. I feel that it's not worth the trouble of going through trying to surplus these items and put it in the paper and because, of course, the paper is going to charge for it and to sell them dirt cheap. I want to bring this to the Board and see what the Board would like to do with this situation. Yes, they are sitting upstairs not being used. I will not purchase another truck with them on it.

Mr. Trascher asked, what is it again, Chief?

Chief Dockery said, basically, it's simulates chrome.

CI said, it's like a hub cap.

Chief Dockery said, it's a hub cap that goes on the fire truck that is chrome looking and it prevents a lot of good things from happening. I actually have taken them off most of the trucks. I cannot install my kits on the wheels to help balance out the tire pressure with these simulators on there, so...

Mr. Lombard asked, what do you think a new set would cost?

Chief Dockery said, well, this individual has sent me numerous text messages saying that he would educate me and that a new set was right around \$530.

Mr. Lombard said, what did we pay for the ones that we have, do you remember?

Chief Dockery said, they were on the truck. They came with the truck.

Mr. Lindsey said, I am thinking maybe we should tell him that we are just going to keep it in case we decide to sell the truck we can put them back on there. Because, it's going to be a lot of hassle to go through the...

Mr. Trascher said, I don't think we can give them away or sell them without some sort of formal bid process.

Chief Dockery said, yes, they would have to be surplussed and then put in the paper and put out for bid.

Mr. Trascher said, and that's probably...

Mr. Lindsey said, I think we should just keep them.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, Russell, I think that's the best idea if we could just store them. You know, they came with the vehicle and they are part of the vehicle and you know, when we sell the vehicle it will go with the vehicle.

Mr. Lindsey said, I agree.

Mr. Lombard said, I am for it.

Mr. Trascher said, I would be terribly concerned if we just up and sold to just anybody with out some form of bid process.

Chief Dockery said, right, it would have to go through some sort of bid process.

Mr. Trascher said, right, to surplus them because, it is equipment and it has a value.

Chief Dockery said, by the time the process is over, we could be losing money and I don't feel like losing money over something as trivial as this.

Mr. Lindsey said, I just say not mess with it.

Mr. Lombard said, just let the individual know that it was a Board decision to keep them.

Chief Dockery said, I will let this individual know. So, other than that, that's all I have for the Chief's Report.

Mrs. Blackwell said, okay, if that's it we will move on.

OLD BUSINESS

Mrs. Blackwell said, Old Business, we have none. We will move to New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, okay, this is just a questionnaire that we receive every year. It's the same exact one as last year with the same exact answers. I don't believe I need anything tonight. I just wanted to bring it to the Boards attention that it needs to be completed. I will email each one of you a copy so you can review it and at our next Board meeting I will get signatures on it so I can get it to the auditor. That's it, it's just basically to let you all know that I have it, it's completed and I will send it to y'all.

Mr. Trascher asked, it that the questionnaire where the Board members also fill out where we don't know any actions or...

Chief Dockery said, this one is a little bit different. It basically, just, do we follow bid law, do we

Mr. Trascher said, yes.

Chief Dockery said, you answer yes or no. But, I will send you all a copy of it so you all can review it so at the next Board meeting we can vote on it and sign it.

Mr. Lombard said, print me out a copy and let me know when you got it and I will pass by and pick it up because I am not very good at that.

Chief Dockery said, I can print it when we get done with the meeting.

Mr. Trascher said, will you go ahead and fill it out before you send it to us?

Chief Dockery said, yes, it's filled out. It just needs to be reviewed.

Mr. Trascher said, okay, it will be filled out and ready for signatures and approval.

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, okay.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, okay, is there anything else on Questionnaire for Audit? We will move along to the Bank Card, Chief Dockery.

BANK CARD – Chief Jack Dockery

Chief Dockery said, okay, that's why I have Mrs., lovely, Wynn Williams here. Okay, I have been trying to get a bank card for Ms. Little, Chief Little, and after speaking with Mrs. Wynn, she said we have two options. Option one is, we can keep the business debit card that we have now but, in order for Chief Little to get one, we have to put her on the signature card. Now, I am not totally opposed to this and the reason I am saying this is, if in my absence, she would be able to sign a check. Now, with that being said, to put checks and balances on it, if we do not have a SOP already, I would like to create one stating basically, in my absence, she is allowed to sign but must have, a least, a Board member sign. It can never be two Chief's signing a check.

Mr. Trascher said, right, I think that's why it was set up like that, is that, we would have a Chief and a Board member. In the unlikely event that the Chief wasn't available, that the Chairman and a Board member would sign the checks.

Mr. Lombard said, it's a better checks and balance to put Chief Little and a Board member.

Chief Dockery said, it could be that and if...

Mr. Lombard said, instead of two Board members, regardless.

Mr. Trascher said, yes, well if it, like I said, the Chairman is the supervisor for the Chief which is the one that signed it in the past. I don't think it would be problem. It could be either Chief and a Board member.

Mr. Lombard said, no. you can let us know.

Chief Dockery said, if we took that route, I would like to put that SOP in place to safeguard it.

Mr. Trascher said, you need to create the procedure.

Chief Dockery said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, then bring that back to the Board and we will approve it. That doesn't help with the signatures tonight.

Chief Dockery said, no, now the second part, and that's where Mrs. Wynn can come up and fill us in, was the Business Credit Card.

Mrs. Wynn Williams said, yes. Right now we have the debit card and a couple of months ago there was some fraud on the debit card so we had to get a new one. So, that is the down side of having a debit card, is you can have some fraud on it. Then, we have got to either close the account, which we had to do, and open a new account and get a new debit card. With the business credit card, the Chief has the ability to one, regulate the card in any way, be it the amounts that are used, who gets them. Anyone can get a credit card. You don't have to be on the signature card so you don't have to expose yourself to that. You can also go the route that Chief Little can sign on the signature card, the account. But, the business credit card is a better safety net for you all. One, fraud can be, if fraud is on the account on the card, all we have to do is cancel that card. We don't have to cancel the checking account and get all checks, the whole. It's very expensive to the bank because we don't charge you all anything for it. Also, with the credit card, Mrs. Little can be on it without having to be on the signature card or another operator that you wish to have a card, can be on the card and not be on the signature card.

Mr. Lombard asked, each one would have a separate card?

Mrs. Williams said, that's correct. It's under the umbrella of the Fire District but, each has their own cards, their own limits. You can change them, take them on, add them...

Mr. Lombard said, separate numbers and all?

Mrs. Williams said, that's right, you have the control with that and it's a much safer route to go and it doesn't cost you anything. The District pays their credit card off, well right now, they use the debit card so it comes straight out of the account but, you zero out your debits every month. So, the credit card would be paid in full every month. There's no interest charge to it there's no cost to it but, it's a safer route.

Mr. Lombard said, and it's fraud protected. You all would absorb the cost if there is fraud on it?

Mrs. Williams said, well, we would just cancel the card. We don't have to cancel the account, get new checks.

Mr. Trascher said, you don't have to cancel every card. You just cancel one of the individual cards.

Mr. Lombard said, suppose something was purchased on that card and it was fraud, we're not responsible for it?

Mrs. Williams said, no, we pay for it. Now, here's the caveat to that. One, you need to make sure you do your accounting and auditing every month on your credit card. Make sure those are your charges, that is your signature or it's your cost, and I would keep receipts to match it and the minute you see there is fraud, you contact me and I give it to our investigative department and they reimburse the money back to the card within 7 to 10 business days. So, no, you're not responsible. To me, it's a safer way to do it. All the Fire Departments within the St. Tammany Parish area that I deal with are moving towards that and to me, it is a safer way. I did bring it to the Chief's attention and he asked if I would come tonight and explain both avenues for you but, there is just too much liability to the District on the debit card side.

Mr. Lombard said, I agree.

Mrs. Williams said, and it really restricts you because I know you travel, you go do training. He has to call me and ask can you open up my limit because there is a basic limit per day and if he exceeds that limit because of hotel stays or whatever, then I have to open up that limit for the next 24 to 36 hours. Which again then, exposes the District to some fraud.

Chief Dockery said, so, with that being said, I asked Mrs. Wynn for guidance on what does she need, whatever the Board chooses, what does she need for us to do in order to make that process happen.

Mrs. Williams said, I need a resolution that just states that the Board approves for you to be able to do a credit card and who they wish to have a credit card and you all have to get together and decide on the amounts. Again, just because you give somebody a \$3,000 limit, doesn't mean they are going to spend \$3,000. Go up to \$5,000, go up to whatever limit you want. It doesn't mean they can use that amount, it just means they are free to use that amount based on travel or large expenditure. He called me in Home Depot one day because he needed to buy something and it exceeded the daily limit and then it takes a couple of

hours to get that open. One, it stops the embarrassment. Two, it doesn't take two to three hours to purchase something that the District needs. To me, I think it's just a better avenue for you all to go towards.

Mr. Lombard said, seems like it.

Mr. Lindsey said, I think so.

Mr. Trascher said, we need a resolution and I would like to make part of the resolution, what is our, we need a SOP on the credit card approvals. I know that's been a thing that we have had problems with in the past with the audit. We need to have something set up and I think we did work on something to put in place.

Chief Dockery said, we did, we do have a policy in place for the debit card. It is for the debit card but, it can be converted to the credit card.

Mr. Lombard said, business credit.

Mr. Trascher asked, but how would that work with the monthly approvals?

Chief Dockery said, when ever we get the statement in, all the purchases are checked against receipts on that and we have a Board member come in and check the receipts to the statements.

Mr. Trascher said, because that was one of the things that they kept chastising us about was, the Chief using the card on charges and then approving the charges. So, we need something.

Mrs. Williams said, you just have to make sure you have a third party reconcile, which either it's a Board member or someone appointed or and accountant. You even have, I believe Dave Moyle is your accountant, is that correct?

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mrs. Williams said, you can have him do it. It is the State regulations that they put into place for credit card used for public funded agencies. We are very well aware of it so we can partner with you and help you with that.

Chief Dockery said, yes, we do have a policy, we do have Board members check the records.

Mr. Trascher asked, so, would our policy that we have in place now cover the credit card as it covers the debit card?

Chief Dockery said, it should, I will review it just to make sure. But, basically, instead of it coming directly out of our account at the time of purchase...

Mr. Trascher said, it's delayed billing.

Mr. Lombard said, we use their money for 30 days, free.

Mr. Lindsey said, yes, exactly. It's safer.

Mr. Lombard said, that's what I like.

Mr. Trascher said, you get it interest free.

Mr. Lombard said, the one I got, I get money back, too, on it.

Mr. Trascher said, you probably got it in somebody else's name.

Mr. Lombard said, it doesn't make any difference.

Mr. Trascher said, so, I mean, I have no problem with the credit card. I think it's a good idea.

Mrs. Williams said, I just think it's a safer way.

Mr. Trascher said, I think we need to do it, I just want to be sure that when we switch over that, our policy still covers, like if the Chief makes a purchase, maybe a Board member and the Chief of Operations would need to review those and if the Chief of Operations uses the card, then the Chief and a Board member would approve those purchases.

Mrs. Williams said, well, that is something you guys can do internally. You can do it monthly, you can do it, if it's a large purchase and he let's you all know prior to, to get somebodies approval, that's fine.

Mr. Trascher said, it's going to have to be done at least, monthly.

Mrs. Williams said, that's fine but, you know, you guys don't spend a lot of money at one time. It's just certain situations I noticed. Travel or equipment that you all need to get and it does create a little bit of embarrassment sometimes and if he can't get a hold of me, now he does have my cell phone and we have been able to talk.

Mr. Trascher asked, what is the limit that we have on the debit card?

Mrs. Williams said, \$2,500, a day. But, I would recommend that you think on the monthly basis now because this is a credit card that will be used per month not per day so you need to think a bout what would be the most someone would spend in a month and you can have more for the Chief and less for Ms. Little, Chief Little. So, again, if Chief Little decides to leave, we cancel that card and a new one comes on we get a card for them. If you need to monitor or they are not spending as much we can alter or raise the limits. Either one.

Mr. Trascher asked, Chief, what do you think would be a necessary limit or would you rather discuss this and defer to another meeting?

Chief Dockery said, I would say that we at least keep the \$2,500, per day and follow with a month, just say we don't always have big purchases but, when we do, we are going to need these funds.

Mr. Trascher said, but we are going to need an amount, is \$10,000, a month, \$5,000, or...

Mrs. Williams said, I think that is great, \$10,000 for the Chief and \$5,000, for Mrs. Little, and then if it's too much, you can bring it down.

Mr. Trascher said, well, they don't have to spend the \$10,000.

Mrs. Williams said, no, that's what I am saying but, you want the limit there in case it's needed.

Mr. Trascher said, right.

Mrs. Williams said, it doesn't mean you have to spend it. But, it's there in case it's needed and I have seen many cases where some District's use a lot and some don't. You know, we have another card which is called a Purchase Card and you can go onto the internet and move around the limits per person based on the expenditures but you don't spend enough for a purchase card. Really, the Business card is better suited for you all.

Mr. Lombard said, you tell us the amount, Chief, that you need.

Chief Dockery said, I mean, I think we can start at \$10,000, and go from there. If it is too much, we will adjust it. If it's not enough, more or less, at the first of the year, I come into work and I am spending \$2,500, on tires for that day. I had a catastrophic failure and I had to replace 4 tires. So, that pretty much shot that for the day. Hopefully, that doesn't happen for a couple of years because now I have new tires on it but...

Mr. Lombard said, and we don't have to have a daily limit, we can just have a monthly limit.

Mrs. Williams said, that's correct.

Mr. Lombard said, that would be the easiest thing to do.

Mrs. Williams said, absolutely.

Mr. Trascher said, that's what she, yes.

Mr. Thanars said, \$10,000?

Chief Dockery said, we can start there.

Mr. Lombard said, yes, and let's see what happens.

Mr. Trascher said, well, if the Board would think it's in order, I would move that we approve Business Credit cards for the Chief and the Chief of Operations with the monthly amount set at \$10,000 for the Chief and, did we say \$5,000 for the Chief of Operations or do you want \$10,000 on that one also?

Mr. Lombard said, why not do \$10,000 and \$10,000. That way if she's got to go out of town...

Chief Dockery said, she might be able to do a little more foot work. Mrs. Wynn, is it okay that we do \$10,000 and \$10,000.

Mrs. Williams said, that's fine, \$10,000 and \$10,000.

Mr. Trascher said, I would move that we do \$10,000 and \$10,000, then.

Mrs. Williams said, that's fine and that way, if he exceeds his in the middle of the month, you can use that one.

Mr. Trascher said, a card is still available.

Mr. Lombard said, yes.

Mr. Trascher said, okay.

Mr. Thanars said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, is there any other discussion for that?

Mr. Trascher said, also, excuse me, that we review the Standard Operating Procedure upon approval of the credit card purchases.

Mrs. Williams said, and I will require a resolution signed by the Board. Be it the Chairman and a second party because I have to keep that on file.

Mr. Trascher said, okay.

Mrs. Blackwell said, okay, 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. Thank you, Chief.

Mr. Lombard said, thank you, Wynn.

Mrs. Blackwell said, thank you, Mrs. Wynn.

Mrs. Williams said, your welcome. It is always my pleasure to be your banker for the years that I have been and thank you have been trusting me.

Mr. Lombard said, and we always like to see you.

Mr. Thanars said, thank you.

Mrs. Williams said, I really do.

Mrs. Blackwell said, thank you for coming out tonight.

Mrs. Williams said, I appreciate coming out.

Mr. Trascher said, we did approve, didn't we approve a card last meeting?

Chief Dockery said, we did, but, that was for the Business Debit Card.

Mr. Trascher said, okay.

Chief Dockery said, that would, there again, that would require her to be placed on the signature card. It was already approved, but, I needed her to be added to the signature card for her to receive that. But, like I said, Mrs. Wynn gave us options for the credit card and I wanted to bring that to the Board.

Mr. Trascher said, the credit card is probably going to be a better fit, I feel.

Mr. Lombard said, we will do away with the debit card.

Mrs. Williams said, oh, absolutely but you also might want to think about Ms. Little, Chief Little, to the signature card as well.

Mr. Lombard said, sure.

Mrs. Williams said, in the event that something happens that Chief Dockery is not available. That you have a second signature because, if not, that can cause some issues as well.

Mr. Lombard said, sure.

Mr. Trascher said, and we will address that later. Will we have to give you a resolution to add her to the signature card?

Mrs. Williams said, that is correct. Yes, I just need minutes or something. It doesn't have to a resolution, like formal we did years ago. It can just be a copy of the minutes.

Mr. Lombard said, okay, we will give you a resolution, formally.

Mrs. Williams said, I want you to go type it up, sir.

Mr. Lombard said, I will type it up.

Mr. Trascher said, oh, your too old, we don't have enough time for that.

Mr. Lombard said, as long as you don't want gray hair before you get it.

Mrs. Williams said, is what your saying is I don't do email? I will come by and pick it up.

Mr. Lombard said, I do but I don't like to read it. I get there and I hit where it says delete all.

Mrs. Williams said, I am sorry, I am out of (inaudible).

Mr. Lombard said, no, no, your alright.

Mrs. Blackwell said, let's move on to Summary of Resolutions, Floyd.

SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS – Floyd Trascher

Mr. Trascher said, this is just a housekeeping measure. This just memorializes all the resolutions that we did in the year 2018. It makes it convenient that they can look them up later on. There is a list of the resolutions in numerical order and the subject matter of it.

This is Resolution 2019-002.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 11 of the parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of 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 memorialize a summary of Board Of Commissioner's 2018 Resolutions approved in the official minutes for District No. 11:

Mr. Trascher continues, attached to this is Exhibit A, with all of the resolutions that can be drawn up. With that said, I would move that we approve this Resolution to become part of our records.

Mr. Lombard said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell said, Mr. Thanars, how do you vote, is there any discussion?

Mr. Thanars said, yea.

Mrs. Blackwell said, no discussion, you vote yes?

Mr. Thanars said, yes.

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, there is nothing else on the agenda. We thank Mrs. Wynn coming out. Mr. Pete, do you have anything? I see you have an envelope.

Mr. Peter Finger said, we have got envelopes that got to be processed here. We had a meeting and I believe our advertisement outside of the area has paid off. We actually had 12 envelopes with applications. One was a duplicate, so 11, but, they came from like, Picayune and Slidell and Mandeville. Outside the district so that is good. We really needed to do that. In the past, the record wasn't that good. There were 2 classes called for, 3 classes and 2 applicants. So, this time we are really impressed with it and this one was just delivered to me and it is post marked correctly. A lot of times it will be posted in these large envelopes and go to New Orleans before they come back. So, this one here is being, I mean, around the Parish and it was probably across the lake before it came back. We will get it processed and we are looking forward to the applicants enjoying the Fire Fighter courses and training and maybe we can pick up some new people to fill a few of the gaps.

Mrs. Blackwell said, good deal.

Mr. Trascher said, good deal, congratulations. That is good news. That's much better than we been.

Mr. Finger said, I think the recruiters worked a lot on that. Just getting it out there, Mitch with the Facebook. Let's get credit to them and hopefully it's something that we remember to use, you know, just other media than just the Farmer's page. There's nothing wrong with that paper, it's just that...

Mr. Lombard said, nobody reads it.

Mr. Finger said, I find nobody reads it.

Mr. Thanars said, it's such a small view area.

Mr. Lombard said, yes, it comes out once a month or once a week.

Mr. Trascher said, he's got a way with words.

Mr. Lombard said, it's the truth, huh.

Mrs. Blackwell said, straight to the point.

Mr. Finger said, thank you for your time.

Mrs. Blackwell said, thank you for coming out to see us tonight. Anything else?

Mr. Lombard said, I had one thing to say but I forgot what it was.

Mr. Trascher asked, did you type it?

Mr. Lombard said, no.

Mr. Trascher said, just email it.

Mr. Lombard said, I will email it, wait for that one. I will text it to you, now I can text.

Mrs. Blackwell asked, okay, do we have a motion to adjourn?

Mr. Thanars said, I move we adjourn.

Mr. Lombard said, second.

Mrs. Blackwell said, Mr. Thanars, I know he won't discuss that one. 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.