



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 19, 2024 MINUTES

TIME OF MEETING – 3:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Barnette called the regular scheduled public meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. Chief Turner called roll as follows:

ROLL CALL: Board members **PRESENT** – Stephanie Collier, Jay Valentine, Johnny Barnette, and Jason McGinty

Board members **ABSENT** – Sammy Halphen

Others **PRESENT** – Chief Wallace, Tim Turner, Hurmon Gibson, Chris Faulk, and Jacob Maddox

The public meeting was held in the Board Room of the Bossier Parish EMS and Fire Complex, located at 5275 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Louisiana 71111.

INVOCATION: Jay Valentine

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 20, 2024 BOC MEETING

Questions/Discussion about BOC public meeting minutes held on February 20, 2024---None

MOTION was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to accept and approve the written minutes for the BOC public meeting held on February 20, 2024. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIALS AS OF MARCH 15, 2024

Questions/Discussion about Financials as of March 15, 2024: ---- None

MOTION was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to approve of the financials as of March 15, 2024. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.



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OLD BUSINESS

UPDATE: APPARATUS PURCHASE

Chief Wallace informed the board that there was nothing new to report, delivery of the apparatus is expected in May.

NEW BUSINESS

AUDITOR COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

Chief Turner presented board members with a completed compliance questionnaire and stated that the questionnaire is the same one that is done every year. It lists the board members, their terms, contact information, and information about how the district conducts business. The questionnaire is used to ensure that district business is conducted in accordance with accounting principles accepted by the state.

MOTION was made by JASON MCGINTY and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to approve the compliance questionnaire and for Chairman Barnette to sign it attesting to the information listed. Chairman Barnette called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously



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ADOPT MILLAGE RATE(S) – RESOLUTION 2024-001

The board was presented with Resolution 2024-001, Chairman Barnette read the resolution in full as follows:

RESOLUTION No. 2024-001

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2024 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by Benton Fire District #4:

	<u>MILLAGE</u>
Maintenance (Mill Key # 1026042)	20 Mills
Maintenance (Mill Key # 1026060)	2 Mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of Bossier, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2024, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

YEAS: 4 (Johnny Barnette, Stephanie Collier, Jay Valentine, and Jason McGinty)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINED: 0

ABSENT: Sammy Halphen

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CERTIFICATE

(RESOLUTION No. 2024-001)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted at the board meeting held on March 19, 2024, at which meeting a quorum was present and voting.

Bossier City, Louisiana, this 19st day of March, 2024.

/S/ Johnny Barnette

(Board Chairman, Johnny Barnette)

MOTION was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to adopt Resolution 2024-001 adopting the millage rate(s) levied on the 2024 tax roll. Chairman Barnette called for public comment. There being none, a roll call vote was taken (**4 yeas** – Johnny Barnette, Stephanie Collier, Jay Valentine, and Jason McGinty – 0 Nays – 0 Abstained – **1 Absent**, Sammy Halphen) and the motion carried unanimously.

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CIVIL SERVICE/INTERNAL PERSONNEL ACTION FORM(S)

There were no Civil Service/Internal PA Forms

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by JAY VALENTINE and seconded by STEPHANIE COLLIER to adjourn. Chairman Barnette called for public comment. There being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.