



FIRE CHIEF J.T. WALLACE, JR.

**BENTON FIRE DISTRICT 4**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**JANUARY 21, 2020 BOC MINUTES**

**TIME OF MEETING 3:00 PM**

Board Chairman, Johnny Barnette, called the regular scheduled public meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. Tim Turner called roll as follows:

Board members **PRESENT** – Johnny Barnette, Jay Valentine, Stephanie Collier, Jason McGinty  
Board members **ABSENT** – John Whittington

Others present for the board meeting were Fire Chief JT Wallace, Tim Turner, and Jacob Maddox. The meeting was held in the Board Room of the Bossier Parish EMS and Fire Complex, 5275 Swan Lake Road, Bossier City, Louisiana. The invocation was given by Jay Valentine.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to accept the reappointment of Jay Valentine and John Whittington, made by the BPPJ, to serve as board members on the Fire Districts board. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

- *John Whittington – Absent*
- *Jay Valentine – took Oath of Office prior to conducting BFD4 official business*

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 10, 2019 BOARD MEETING**

- *December 10, 2019 BOC Minutes questions/discussion: -----NONE*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JAY VALENTINE to accept the written minutes for the board meeting held on December 10, 2019. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS AS OF JANUARY 17, 2020 AND YEAR ENDING 2019**

- *Questions/Discussion about Financials through January 17, 2020 and year ending 2019: -- NONE*

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to approve the written Financial Reports as of January 17, 2020 and the end of year financials for 2019. The Chairman called for public comment; there being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.



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## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS**

- *Chief Turner informed the board that board member appointments made by the town, and Chairman of the Board, will be updated in the next regularly scheduled board meeting to be held on February 18, 2020.*

### **FIRE RECOVERY USA UPDATE**

- *Chief Wallace informed the board that the district has been paid for five claims that have been submitted to Fire Recovery USA. He stated that some claims that are submitted do not get paid based on insurance coverage. Jason McGinty asked if there have been any questions or concerns made by the public regarding insurance claims. Chief stated that there has been one inquiry made by the public, when an insurance company contacted a policy holder about an incident. Chief stated that the district will continue to monitor and update the board as more claims are made.*

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **CIVIL SERVICE BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT**

**MOTION** was made by STEPHANIE COLLIER and seconded by JASON MCGINTY to reappoint Wayne Gates as the district representative of the BFD4 Civil Service Board. The Chairman called for public comment. There being none, vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

### **AUDIT**

- *Chief Wallace informed the board that the district has engaged with the auditor. Chief Turner informed the board that the audit has been scheduled for June 8, 2020.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

- *Chairman Johnny Barnette asked the board if any other business or topics needed to be discussed. There being none Chairman Barnette called for a motion to adjourn.*

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