

St. Tammany Fire Protection District No. 1

Board of Commissioners

Special Meeting Minutes January 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Chairman Crowley and Commissioners Risley and Kingston were present.

Also Present: Chief David Kuhn, Mark Waniewski and Attorney Ingram

Executive Session: Fire Chief Interviews

Commissioner Kingston made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purposes of interviewing for Fire Chief. Commissioner Risley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Executive Session convened at 8:02 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 1:18 p.m.

The interview scores were tabulated. (Alphabetical order)

Steve Ball – 126, 132, 129
Richard Boudreaux – 155, 144, 146
Wilmer Dane – 115, 137, 138
Mike Jones – 76, 90, 90
Mike Joseph – 106, 91, 96
Chris Kaufmann – 143, 142, 128
Greg Kelly – Madisonville – 90.5, 105, 82
Rodney Ourso – 104, 110, 74
Marshall Robinson – 141, 134, 131
Troy Serigne – St. Bernard – 38.5, 47, 38
Donald Spillman – Baton Rouge – 62, 97, 101
John Taylor – Mandeville - 85, 98, 98
Earl Valois – New Orleans – 107, 111, 85

Chairman Crowley stated that it was agreed up on to rank the top five candidates, and the top three, of the five, would be re-interviewed.

Chairman Crowley named the top five candidates:

Richard Boudreaux	(435)
Chris Kaufmann	(413)
Marshall Robinson	(406)
Wilmer Dane	(390)
Steve Ball	(387)

Commissioner Risley stated that she felt that all of the (five) candidates should be considered, due to the scoring being based on what was seen, heard and read; and not what may have been known.

Commissioner Risley made a motion to take into consideration the top five scoring candidates to potentially offer an invite for a second interview. Commissioner Kingston seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Risley stated her concern with Wilmer Dane, based on comments made during the interview pertaining to insider knowledge.

There was discussion regarding a tie after the final interviews. It was determined that the score sheets, from original and final interviews, would be based on the score sheet areas of Experience, Education, Training, Communication Skills, and Presentation and Overall Impression.

It was determined that the final interviews, for the top five scoring candidates, would be held on January 25.

Commissioner Risley made a motion to adjourn. Chairman Crowley seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.