

SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT TWO

7:00 P.M. * Monday * October 28, 2019
14128 SH 110 South * Whitehouse, Texas 75791

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Randy Melton called the Smith County ESD #2 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called; four commissioners were present: Randy Melton, Charles Wilson, Earl Drott and Paul Perryman. He certified that a quorum was present.

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE

Justin Walker led the meeting in prayer. Randy Melton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

3. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

President Melton welcomed all guests to the meeting.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed in for public comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Earl Drott made a motion to approve the (a) minutes of the September 23, 2019 Regular Meeting; (b) September 2019 financial report; 2nd by Paul Perryman; motion carried 4-0.

6. PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

- a. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve current bills/quotes/checks over \$2,000: Price International \$4339.11 Red Springs Engine 2; Siddons-Martin \$3,980.50 Troup Brush 3 Pump Repair; Checks Over \$2,000 - Ck #18834 Amazon \$3,060.28, Ck #18845 Eagle Fuel & Oil LP \$5,989.39, Ck #18857 Nextiva Inc \$5,935.50, Ck #18945 Eagle Fuel & Oil LP \$5,671.05, Ck #18947 FR Girls \$2,303.50, Ck #18957 Texas Mutual \$63,555.00; 2nd by Earl Drott; motion carried 5-0.
- b. Contract payments made – no action necessary: Reliant \$6,929.42 District Electric Bills, Mobile Communications \$2,738.25 District Paging Services, United Healthcare \$14,039.67 Employee Medical Insurance, Verizon \$4,590.95 District Wireless Account, Suddenlink \$2,501.00 September District Fiber, Suddenlink \$2,153.89 September District Internet, VFIS \$33,133.00 Accident/Sickness Policy Renewal, VFIS \$110,873.00 SCESD2 Policy Renewal, Lonestar Generator \$56,350.24 3 Generators for New Construction, GCP Association Services, LLC \$18,992.59 Election Expenditures, TCFP \$2,475.00 SCESD2 TCFP Renewals, SCESD2 Payroll – 09/27/2019 \$77,898.28.

Commissioner Leroy Biggers arrived at 7:04 p.m. Quorum changed to five.

7. 1 YEAR RADIO CONTRACT WITH UT HEALTH

The current contract ran out on September 30, 2019. We are trying to renegotiate the radio system. We want to make sure we are getting what we pay for. Due to time constraints we were not able to get a new contract written for this year. All the users agreed to continue with the contract that is now in place. This will give us a year to look at all the tower sites, who is paying for what and redo the contract. Charles Wilson mad a motion to approve the 1 year extension on our contract; 2nd by Leroy Biggers; motion carried 5-0.

8. WILSON CELL PHONE BOOSTER SYSTEM

President Melton stated there are issues with dropped calls and cell phone coverage inside the building at Fleet Maintenance. The cell phone booster system will give us better reception. This will be a commercial type system with 3 antennas throughout the building. It will also have a 2 year warranty. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve the the Wilson Cell Phone Booster System for Fleet Maintenance at a cost of \$4,500.00; 2nd by Earl Drott; motion carried 5-0.

9. COMMAND TRUCK FOR JACKSON HEIGHTS

Chief Rozell spoke and the need for Seth Meadows, Captain over Maintenance, to have a service truck. He will get the one ton Dodge dually currently used at Jackson Heights. Jackson Heights will then need a Command Truck. The purchase of the F-250 will be through HGAC. Paul Perryman made a motion to approve the purchase of a Command Truck for Jackson Heights, through HGAC, at a cost of \$33,997.00; 2nd by Earl Drott; motion carried 5-0.

10. PORTABLE FIRE SAFETY HOUSE FOR SCESD2 AND VFD USE

JD Smith presented the board with the need of a new inflatable fire safety house. The one we have now is in poor shape and always need work. The Van FD has one that works really well. It has different rooms, smoke and you can climb through it. This particular fire safety house can be set up easily outside or in a gym during inclement weather. Two people will be able to man it and it's also handicap accessible. Once ordered, it will take 12 weeks to deliver. It will have or name and SCESD2 logo on it. President Melton stated that part of our mission as an ESD is education and prevention. We will also need an enclosed 5 x 8 trailer which is included in the price. Leroy Biggers made a motion to approve the purchase of a Portable Fire Safety House and trailer at a total cost of \$10,000.00; 2nd by Paul Perryman; motion carried 5-0.

11. JACK ADAPTERS FOR FLEET TO USE WITH CURRENT LIFT SYSTEM

Seth meadow spoke about the need of jack adapters to use with the current lift system to safely lift smaller trucks and apparatus safely. This would allow for two vehicles at a time to be worked on. It would also allow for rotating tires. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve the purchase of Jack Adapters for Fleet Maintenance at a total cost of \$4,400.00; 2nd by Earl Drott; motion carried 5-0.

12. AIR PAC TESTING FOR 160 SCBA

It's time again for the annual air pac testing. We used to budget close to \$20,000.00 for testing. We had different kinds. We are now wanting to use the same type. Earl Drott made a motion to approve the Air Pac Testing for 160 SCBA through MES at a total cost of \$5,451.00; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 5-0.

13. SCESD2 PERSONNEL

President Melton called for a closed session at 7:34 p.m.

14. FIRE CHIEFS PRESENTING AND DISCUSSING ISSUES

Arp – Mack Arnold said everything is going good. He wishes the strategic planning would be scheduled at a different time for all chiefs to attend.

Bullard – Justin Walker said things are good. Mentioned the tower improvements.

Chapel Hill – Dale Peterson said things are good. Voiced the same opinion about strategic planning being scheduled for a different time.

Dixie – Matt York said things are good.

Flint/Gresham – Gene Champion, on behalf of Tim, mentioned different strategic planning times.

Jackson Heights – Mike VanWinkle had the same concerns about strategic planning being scheduled for a different time.

Red Springs – concerns about meeting times.

Troup – Time Mager said things are good.

Whitehouse – Gene Champion has concerns about the strategic meeting times.

Winona – Jared Jones reported things are good.

15. DIRECTOR OF IT REPORT

Larry Locke reported radio programming is complete. 27 trouble tickets have been resolved since the last meeting. The link between Troup and Bullard is operational. Larry and Robert both attended Ubiquiti Training.

16. CHIEF OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Chief Rozell said strategic planning meetings are scheduled for December 6, 7 and 8. Review of the master plan will be on Friday. The meeting times are scheduled by ESCI as they are hosting. Saturday will be a big day and it's held during the daytime.

17. REMARKS BY PRESIDING OFFICE AND/OR BOARD MEMEBERS

Not necessary.

18. CLOSED SESSION

Item #13 was taken into closed session.

19. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Returned from closed session and called meeting back to order at 8:32 p.m.

20. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

President Melton stated a special called meeting is set at Smith County ESD #2, 14218 SH 110 South, Whitehouse, TX 75791, Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.; he declared the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Paul Perryman, Secretary/Treasurer