

SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT TWO

7:00 P.M. * Monday * March 30, 2020
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, and Leroy Biggers, with Paul Perryman. He certified that a quorum was present.

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE

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

3. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

President Melton welcomed all guests via video.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Leroy Biggers made the motion to approve (a) the minutes of the February 24, 2020 regular meeting, the March 12, 2020 called meeting as written, (b) financial reports February 2020; 2nd by Charles Wilson: Motion carried 4-0.

6. PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Charles Wilson made a motion to approve payment of bills: (a.) Current bills/quotes/checks over \$2,000 and all disbursement checks over \$2,000 in this month's check register included in the financials; 2nd by Paul Perryman; motion carried 4-0.

- a. Current bills/quotes/checks over \$2,000: Gollob Morgan Peddy \$2575.00 District Accounting Fees; Mobile Communications \$2900 .00 Flint Gresham FEC License Application (new construction?); Structural Technology \$3062.05 District Ladder Testing; Siddons Martin \$3155.79 Red Springs E-2 Repair, \$2498.66 Red Springs E-2 Repair, \$3310.14 Noonday T-1 Repair, Woody's Accessories \$2510.00 C-1 Camper Shell; United Rentals 2270.00 Tow Master; Geo P. Bane 2,191.82 Troup Transport Repair; Adams & Coker \$4646.85 District Legal Fees; Fire Safety USA 2095.00 Ladders for F/G Ladder, C/H E-2, & T-1;
- b. Contract payments made – Reliant \$4318.17 District Electric Bills; Suddenlink Business \$2501.00 District Fiber Account; Verizon Wireless \$2949.38 District Wireless Account; Smith County Appraisal District \$52100 2nd Qtr District Appraisal Fees; Mobile Communications Services \$2738.25 District Paging Services; United Healthcare \$13,973.79
- c. New Construction bills/quotes/checks over \$2,000.00: Don's TV and Appliance \$6894.88 F/G, \$6914.88 Arp; Kirby Restaurant Supply \$3968.00 50% Down Payment for Range and Gas Connectors; WRL General Contractors \$182,786.22 Arp Payment #5, \$180,466.10 Flint Gresham Payment #5;

7. TAX ABATEMENT FOR WASTEQUIP MANUFACTURING

President Melton presented a proposal for a Tax Abatement for Wastequip Manufacturing. The requested abatement is 80% for 4 years. Charles Wilson made the motion to approve the Tax Abatement for Wastequip Manufacturing; 2nd by Leroy Biggers: motion carried 4-0.

8. TAX ABATEMENT FOR 213 INVESTMENTS LLC

President Melton presented a proposal for a Tax Abatement for 213 Investments LLC. The requested abatement is 80% for 4 years. Charles Wilson made the motion to approve the Tax Abatement for Wastequip Manufacturing; 2nd by Paul Perryman: motion carried 4-0.

9. WINONA VFD TEXAS FOREST SERVICE GRANT MATCH

Chief Rozell presented a proposal from Winona VFD to purchase a set of Amkus Battery Operated tools. Total Cost would be \$20,007.00 with SCESD 2 only having to provide \$3,757.00. Leroy Biggers made the motion to purchase the Amkus Rescue Tools; 2nd by Charles Wilson: Motion carried 4-0.

10. BULLARD VFD TEXAS FOREST SERVICE GRANT MATCH

Chief Rozell presented a proposal from Bullard VFD to purchase a fire extinguisher training prop. Total cost would be \$11,836.00 with SCESD 2 only having to provide \$4,580.45. Charles Wilson made the motion to purchase the Fire Extinguisher training prop; 2nd by Leroy Biggers: Motion carried 4-0.

11. NOONDAY VFD TEXAS FOREST SERVICE GRANT MATCH

Chief Rozell presented a proposal from Noonday VFD to purchase bunker gear. Total cost would be \$19,461.26 with SCESD 2 only having to provide \$4,461.26. Charles Wilson made the motion to purchase the bunker gear; 2nd by Paul Perryman: Motion Carried 4-0.

12. JACKSON HEIGHTS VFD TEXAS FOREST SERVICE GRANT MATCH

Chief Rozell presented a proposal from Jackson Heights VFD to purchase bunker gear. Total cost would be \$11,926.77 with SCESD 2 only having to provide \$1,126.77. Charles Wilson made the motion to purchase the bunker gear; 2nd by Leroy Biggers: Motion Carried 4-0.

13. NEW FIRE STATION UPDATES

Chief Rozell stated that Arp station now as concrete poured, but it cost approx. \$50,000.00 more than what was budgeted. Luckily there is contingency built in for that. Rozell also stated that Oncor is running the three phase power to the Flint station at no cost. Flint station also has brick, some room and work continues.

14. FIRE CHIEF PRESENTING AND DISCUSSING ISSUES

President Melton opened the floor for the Fire Chief's to present any issues their department is having. Red Springs said they were good. Jackson Heights stated they needed to discuss the driveway at station one in the future.

15. PERSONNEL AND EMPLOYMENT FOR SCESD2

President Melton stated they would like to have a meeting on April 13th at 5pm to discuss HR candidates. Chief Rozell stated there were currently 34 HR applicants, and that the posting closes April 1, 2020.

16. DIRECTOR OF IT REPORT

IT Director Larry Locke stated they resolved 46 tickets, completed some work at the new station in Flint. He also stated that the backup appliance was installed, 3 radios programed, 2 gas detectors were repaired, and that the mobile tower was set up at Dixie station 2 due to internet being down.

17. CLOSED SESSION

The board did not convene in closed session.

18. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

19. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

President Melton stated the next board meeting will be at Smith County ESD #2, 14128 SH 110 South, Whitehouse, TX 75791; Monday, April 13, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.; he declared the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Paul Perryman, Secretary/Treasurer