

SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT TWO

7:00 P.M. * Monday * July 24, 2017

14128 SH 110 South * Whitehouse, Texas 75791

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE

Noonday VFD Chief Richard Adams 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 to the meeting.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one signed in for public comments.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Leroy Biggers made a motion to approve the (a.) minutes of the June 29, 2017 regular meeting as written; (b.) the June 2017 financial report; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0.

6. PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Paul Perryman made a motion to approve payment of bills: (a.) Current bills/quotes/checks over \$2,000: Card Service Center \$11,428.58 – District Credit Card; George P. Bane \$3,345.79 – Red Springs Dozer Repairs; MES \$2,235.86 – SCBA Flow Tests; Metro Fire \$2,090.00 – Red Springs Rescue Tools Preventative Maintenance; Rush Truck Centers \$6,153.13 – Chapel Hill T-2 Repairs; Ck #14644 \$2,090.00 Casco Industries, Ck #14656 \$2,498.32 Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck#14665 \$2,025.00 TCFP, Ck#14694 \$5,792.78 Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Ck #14723 \$21,844.13 Fire-Teck, Ck #14727 \$5,629.90 Eagle Fuel \$ Oil, Ck #14733 \$5,644.67 Goolsbee Tire Service, Ck #14759 \$3,428.00 Texas Mutual, Ck #15223 \$18,016.25 Fire-Teck, Ck #15322 \$4,319.43 – Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #15336 \$3,215.63– Mobile Communications, Ck #15652 \$2,738.65 – Elliott Electric, Ck #15653 \$13,259.48 – Fire-Teck, Ck #15655 \$4,667.57 – Mobile Communications, Ck #15674 \$3,840.36 – Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #15675 \$3,661.99 – Siddons-Martin, Ck#15689 \$2,140.60 – Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #15731 \$3,266.93 – Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #15759 \$4,786.09 – PCM/TigerDirect; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0. (b.) Contract payments made – no action necessary: Mobile Communications \$2,738.25 – District Paging Services; Nextiva \$2,236.79 – District Phones/Fax; Reliant Energy \$4,372.88 – District Electric; Squyres, Johnson, Squyres \$3,410.78 – Final Payment on 2015/2016 Audit; Suddenlink \$2,320.56 – District Internet Account; TML August 2017 \$6,274.66 – Employee Medical Insurance; Verizon \$1,833.00 – District Wireless Account; SCESD2 Payroll \$54,099.81 – Date 07/07/2017, Payroll \$57,731.66 – Date 07/21/2017.

7. INCREASING RATES THROUGH FIRE RECOVERY

Chief Rozell stated that every year the cost of operating a fire department increases and SCESD2 has not increased the rates for services and responses for years. Fire Recovery recommends increasing the service and response rates by approximately 12%. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve increasing the rates for services and responses as recommended by Fire Recovery; 2nd by Leroy Biggers; motion carried 4-0.

8. PURCHASING ICE MACHINE FOR ARP #1

Chief Rozell stated that the existing ice machine at Arp Station #1 stopped working, it is 12-14 years old, not worth fixing and it is time to purchase them a new one. He stated he received a bid from A & M Service Company for \$3,700.00. With it being as hot as it is, they need a working ice machine.

Paul Perryman made a motion to approve purchasing an ice machine for \$3,700.00 from A & M Service Company; 2nd by Leroy Biggers; motion carried 4-0.

9. RECEIVING DONATED LAND AT GARDEN VALLEY

President Melton introduced Lisa Hamman, the owner wanting to donate land to SCESD2 to build a fire station in the future. Charles Wilson stated the area where the land is being donated is on the other side of Lindale but is in the SCESD2 district. This is the only part of the district that does not have a quick response fire department or sub-station. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve Chief Rozell to move forward with getting the information of what needs to be done to receive the land donation; 2nd by Leroy Biggers; motion carried 4-0.

10. LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES

No report.

11. DIRECTOR OF IT REPORT

Director of IT, Larry Locke, stated that 14 support tickets have been completed since the last meeting, 3 IT training classes were held at the SCESD2 office with 79 attendees, and the switch from Firehouse to the new in-house reporting system is scheduled for August 1, 2017. He stated the IT work at the Maintenance building and Red Springs #2 is almost complete.

12. CHIEF OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Chief Rozell stated that with a lot of hard work from multiple SCESD2 employees, Winona Brush 2 is ready to go in service. He stated the painting has been started at Winona Station #3 and hopes it will be completely finished by the end of August. He went to Florida to do the final inspection on the 2 new engines and everything looks great, they were shipped to Denton, TX and he will be going there to show them where the equipment needs to be mounted. They should be ready to go in service in a month. He stated SCESD2 has saved a lot of money at the Maintenance facility by SCESD2 employees and volunteer departments working together cleaning the facility, pressure washing the building, cutting the lawn, painting the inside of the office area, Red Springs #2 has the new overhead door, and the parking lot has been sealed. The entire facility looks great. The 2 public hearings for the 2017/2018 budget and the 2017 tax rate will be coming up soon.

13. PRESIDING OFFICER REMARKS

President Melton stated that he did not have anything to report.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Not necessary.

15. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Not necessary.

16. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

President Melton stated the next board meeting would be at Smith County ESD #2, 14128 SH 110 South, Whitehouse, Texas 75791; Monday, August 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.; he declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Paul Perryman, Secretary/Treasurer