

SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT TWO

7:00 P.M. * Monday * February 26, 2018
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, Paul Perryman, and Earl Drott; with Leroy Biggers absent. He certified that a quorum was present.

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE

Chaplain Doug Haning 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

President Melton stated 4 guests signed up for public comment, Chaplain Doug Haning, Taxpayer Craig Licciardi, Taxpayer Art Cameron, and Troup VFD Board President Johnny Brown.

Chaplain Doug Haning stated he is now the Disaster Program Manager for American Red Cross and they are always accepting volunteers to help with disaster relief, just like the VFD volunteers dwindling down, it is the same for the American Red Cross. Taxpayer Craig Licciardi stated he wanted to talk about the budget and he would like to see the tax rate lowered now that the loan is paid off. Taxpayer Art Cameron stated he wanted to make the same comment as Mr. Licciardi, and he applauds SCESD2 for paying the loan off. Troup VFD Board President Johnny Brown stated if Chief Rozell needs him to speak during item #8 he will, that is the only reason he filled out a public comment.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Paul Perryman made a motion to approve the (a.) minutes of the January 22, 2018 regular meeting and the January 27, 2018 town hall meeting as written; (b.) the January 2018 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 \$10,236.49 – District Credit Card; Perkins Enterprises \$3,209.40 – District Air Analysis; Southern Tire \$2,078.70 – Bullard Transport Tires, \$2,233.80 – Chapel Hill E-1 Tires; Structural Technology \$3,950.75 – District Ladder Testing; Checks Over \$2,000.00 – Ck #16444 \$4,386.96 Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #16447 \$2,791.09 Gas and Supply, Ck #16453 \$2,080.04 Metro Fire, Ck #16466 \$2,366.82 Price International, Ck # 16507 \$5,070.94 Big M Supply, Ck #16522 \$3,607.50 Eagle Fuel & Oil, Ck #16559 \$2,013.50 Partsmaster, Ck #16563 \$3,256.78 Superior Fleet, Ck #16568 \$15,762.89 CDW, and all disbursement checks over \$2,000 in this month's check register included in the financials; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0. (b.) Contract payments made – no action necessary: Citizens National Bank \$973,877.68 – Final Loan Payment; Mobile Communications \$2,738.25 – District Paging Services; Nextiva \$2,266.06 – District Phones/Fax; Reliant Energy January 2018 \$4,869.94, February 2018 \$10,016.76 – District Electric; Suddenlink \$2,662.56 – District Internet Account; TML March 2018 \$6,274.66 – Employee Medical Insurance; Verizon \$2,163.20 – District Wireless Account; SCESD2 Payroll \$63,883.41 – Date 02/02/2018, \$61,484.69 – Date 02/16/2018.

7. FLOOR PLANS FOR ARP VFD, FLINT GRESHAM VFD, AND SCESD2

Chief Rozell stated he budgeted \$6,000 to move forward with floor plans for future remodels and new buildings. He stated he would like to get working floor plans for Arp VFD, Flint Gresham VFD, and a SCESD2 Admin Office to see what the approximate cost would be to budget for the remodels and new buildings in the future. Commissioner Paul Perryman stated he does not think this money should be spent on future floor plans, he would like to see it go to the Volunteer Chief's

Stipend and Volunteer Pay Per Call. Charles Wilson made a motion to approve moving forward with getting the floor plans for Arp VFD, Flint Gresham VFD, and the SCESD2 Admin Office for \$6,000; 2nd by Earl Drott; motion carried 3-1 (Paul Perryman against).

8. REPAIR FOR TANKER AT TROUP VFD CONCORD STATION

Chief Rozell stated the bed on the tanker at Troup's Concord Station is 30 years old and beyond repair, the truck itself is in decent shape, but the chassis has rusted through. There is not another truck that will fit at the Concord Station, so the only option is to fix the current tanker. He stated to get a new tank, plumbing, paint, and lights the total cost is \$22,942 from East Texas Truck Systems. Paul Perryman made a motion to approve repairing Troup's Tanker for \$22,942 at East Texas Truck Systems; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0.

9. ADDING UNINSURED MOTORIST TO CURRENT AUTO INSURANCE POLICY

Chief Rozell stated there was a glitch in the VFIS system that gave SCESD2 the original \$396 to add uninsured motorist to the current auto insurance policy, it will actually cost \$10,557 annually. He stated he would like the board to table this item for now. Earl Drott made a motion to table this item; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0.

10. COST SHARE OF \$180,000 FOR NEW ENGINE AT JACKSON HEIGHTS VFD

Chief Rozell stated Jackson Heights VFD received a \$218,000 grant with a cost share of \$180,000. He stated he would like to table this item so he can get numbers on buying multiple trucks at one time to get a discount. Paul Perryman made a motion to table this item; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0.

11. MOU BETWEEN SMITH COUNTY IT AND SCESD2 IT

Chief Rozell stated with SCESD2 being in the emergency management group for Smith County, having a MOU between Smith County IT and SCESD2 IT, will allow SCESD2 to bring resources into the EOC. Having this MOU makes it legal for SCESD2 to acquire rack space so the SCESD2 system will work in the EOC. Earl Drott made a motion to approve the MOU between Smith County IT and SCESD2 IT; 2nd by Charles Wilson; motion carried 4-0.

12. PERSONNEL ISSUES FOR SCESD2

The board went into closed session to discuss personnel issues. The board returned from closed session and stated no motion is necessary.

13. LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEES

Flint Gresham VFD Chief Tim Stone stated Long Range has been having meetings with Chief Rozell and they are looking at infrastructure, trucks, staffing, pay per call, and what needs to be done around the county. He stated hopefully they will have numbers and diagrams for the board to see what needs to be done in the future.

14. DIRECTOR OF IT REPORT

Director of IT, Larry Locke, stated that 68 support tickets have been completed since the last meeting. The camera installation is complete at 11 stations, the Command Platform IT updates are finished and he encourages everyone to walk through the platform before leaving.

15. CHIEF OF OPERATIONS REPORT

Chief Rozell stated the Antenna Trailer is almost complete, it needs one more part and it will be up and operating. He stated the Command Platform is finished and it is tremendously better than what it was in the past.

16. PRESIDING OFFICER REMARKS

President Melton stated the SAFE-D Conference was this past weekend, Commissioner Earl Drott, Chief Rozell, Director of Finance Denna Mangold and himself attended to receive their continuing education hours. Commissioner Earl Drott stated at SAFE-D he learned that the equipment is a lot more complicated in the field and how important good equipment is to the firefighters and delivering

the service to the community. He also stated he appreciates the opportunity to go and learn more about the ESD process.

17. CLOSED SESSION

The board went into closed session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss Item #12.

18. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The board returned to open session at 8:20 p.m.

19. 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, March 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.; he declared the meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Paul Perryman, Secretary/Treasurer