



**BURNET COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #8 SERVING  
BRIGGS/OAKALLA AREAS**

Minutes for September 25<sup>th</sup> 2023

*Commissioners present Shamard, Price, Ewart, Keith and Eide*

1. **Call to order and establish a quorum. Meeting called together at 6:45 p.m.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.**
3. **Recognition of Citizens and Elected Officials. No one spoke.**
4. **Citizen Comments on items not on the agenda: No one spoke.**
5. **Citizen Comments on agenda Items: No one spoke.**
6. **Review posted minutes for additions or corrections and approve minutes from the August 28, 2023, Regular Meeting. First was made by Comm. Price  
Second made by Comm. Keith. Motion passes**
7. **Review posted treasurer's report for any questions and approval for the month of August 2023. Table this item. Motion made to accept treasurer's report  
Shamard makes first motion, Comm. Keith gave a second. Motion passes.**
8. **Consider and take appropriate action on the following item:**
  - A. **Payment of regular bills motion made by Comm. Keith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Comm. Eide.  
Payment made to Carlton law firm \$1,433.40, and Asphalt payment bill for \$12434.40. Motion made by Comm. Keith to approve payments of regular bills, second by Comm. Eide.**
9. **Update on ISO Rating and process for residents to receive a discount. Comm. Shamard got a copy of the iso rating, If residents are within 5 road miles of any of the three stations, insurance rating will be and 8, if further it will be a 10. Watson station. Oakalla station, and Briggs Station. This letter is on the Department's website to be used by our constituents.**
10. **Fire Chief's Report.**
  - A. **Review of accomplishments for FY 22-23. See Below**

Opened Station #2 on US HWY 183 in Briggs, New command/First responder vehicle into service, Put new 3000 gallon Engine/Tender into service, ,Acquired Rescue/Engine from SW Bell Fire and put into service, Added 38K gallon water storage tank with 555gpm truck filling pump at Watson, Upgraded communication equipment, Upgraded rainwater collection water system truck filling pump at station 1 from 100gpm tp 500gpm. New EMT basics on staff, 2 auto pulse compression devices in commander/First responder vehicles,Installed new SCBA bottle fill cascade system, put

into service a can am 6x6 with skid unit and stokes basket for wildland fir and rescue operations, implemented a recruiting campaign, 3 new fire fighters, Implemented New Cad System

B.32 calls, Average response time was 8 minutes, excluding mutual aid. Average Responders was 7. 16 medical assists, and 3 grass fires. Four trainings were offered for firefighters 1 course, Apparatus and driver and debrief policies and department policies. Total hours 10.

**11. Consider and take appropriate action on the following item:**

- A. NBCFR Performance Measures Report – Still discussing
- B. NBCFR Financial Reports  
Status of debit cards and credit cards- in process

**12. Consider and take appropriate action on extending the NBCFR service contract for FY 23-24. Make a motion to accept the new service contract between department and ESD #8. Contract has been reviewed at prior meetings, by the commissioners. Motion made by Comm. Shammard, 2<sup>nd</sup> made by Comm. Ned Ewart. Motion passes.**

**13. Consider and take appropriate action on an ordinance adopting portions of the international fire code; providing for fees to be payable for permits, approvals and inspections; requiring a permit or approval for certain hazardous uses and activities; providing for civil penalties for violations; providing for administration of the fire code and authorizing the fire code official and his/her designees to administer and enforce the code; authorizing entry onto property to conduct inspections; authorizing stop work orders for work performed in violation of the fire code; providing for appointment of an appellate body and for appeals from decisions of the fire code official; providing for severability and an effective date. TABLED**

**14. Consider and take appropriate action on the disbursement of end-of year funds:**

- A. Previously discussed priorities (1-7 tabled)
  - 1. Station 2 rainwater collection system completion
  - 2. Station 2 helipad completion
  - 3. Firefighter turnout gear
  - 4. Rapid extraction kits (2)
  - 5. Fire Code expenses
  - 6. Contingency fund payments
  - 7. Recruiting Campaign
  - 8. Other considerations

**B. Motion to disburse money for the fire truck that was purchased from southwestern bell fire department. Motion made by Comm. Keith and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm. Ewart. Motion passes. Amount of \$52,500.**

**C. Another Motion to dispurse funds for concrete construction for helipad in amount of \$6200 to the department. 1<sup>st</sup> made by Comm. Keith, and Comm. Price offered a 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes**

**15. Next Meeting will be Monday, October 23, 2023, at 6:45 PM at NBCFR Station #2 2285 US 183 Bertram, TX.**

**16. Adjourn at 8:25**