

Minutes

Burnet County Emergency Services District #8

Monday, July 26th, 2021 Regular Meeting

Commissioners present: Ewart, Shamard, Butler, Price, Keith

1. The regular monthly meeting for ESD 8 was called to order at 6:45 pm by Commissioner Shamard .
2. The Pledges of Allegiance were said by all in attendance. The Invocation was led by Fire Chief Roehrig.
3. Commissioner Shamard thanked all in attendance.
4. No citizens signed up to speak on non-agenda items.
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6. The minutes were reviewed from the June 28th regular meeting. Commissioner Price made motion to accept minutes, Second was made by Commissioner Ewart. No discussion. The motion passed.
7. Commissioner Ewart presented the ESD Financials. Property tax deposits for June totaled \$3,572.54. Sales tax collected for the same period were \$19,585.24. As of July 26th our property tax deposits have been \$4,289.25. Sales tax collected for same period were \$17,862.03 The ESD bank balance as of 06/30/21 was \$204,589.43 The bank balance as of July 26, 2021 was \$223,881.21 The ESD contingency account balance as of 06/30/2021 was \$101,620.69. Motion to approve financial report made by Commissioner Price, Second made by Commissioner Butler. No discussion. Motion passed.
8. A. The activity report for Oakalla VFD was reviewed. Response time for June was 10 minutes.

B. The FD financials were reviewed with several questions on the credit card statement. The questioned charges were labeled as truck supplies. The department explained the charges and there were no further questions regarding the department finances.

C. Chief Roehrig said training continues. Truck Certifications are ongoing as well as 2 firefighters are progressing through EMT training. They will continue to get certified so that they can be trainers for the department as well.
The Chief updated the status on their work with Firefly so that they have advance notice as to when engine tests are to be performed.
A new EMT is on board with the department
The department is getting new quotes in on the Briggs station well because the previous contractor didn't work out.

9.
 - a. Pay regular bills. Commissioner Ewart requested approval to pay 2 bills. The first payment was to BCAD in the amount of \$818.70 for tax collection services. The second payment was to Carlton Law firm for \$944.00 Motion to pay these 2 bills made by Commissioner Butler, Seconded by Commissioner Barker. There was no discussion. The motion passed.
 - b. Discuss and approve quarterly investment report for 2nd quarter. There are NO investments to discuss or approve.
 - c. Discuss and consider service provider contract renewals and/or amendments for upcoming fiscal year. A motion was made by Commissioner Butler stating the Intent of ESD#8 was to continue the service contract with Oakalla VFD for the following year of 2022. Motion seconded by Commissioner Price. No discussion. The motion passed.
 - d. Briggs station construction update: Chief Roehrig stated that the site groundwork was almost complete.
The Oakalla VFD asked for the approval from the ESD#8 to spend up to \$14,000 on 3 water storage tanks and up to \$41,000 for the pad tanks will sit on and driveway extension to the tanks. Motion made by Commissioner Shamard, seconded by Commissioner Butler. Some discussion to the fact that the department is authorized to spend up to \$50,000 on an item without consent of ESD but they asked for the ESD consent in good faith. The motion passed.

10. Discuss and take action on FY-20 ESD#8 Audit finds and recommendations. No Action

11. Consider taking action regarding 2021-2022 Budget including scheduling budget workshop if needed. Commissioner Ewart presented the proposed budget for the 2021-2022 ESD#8 Budget per the Burnet County's tax predictions and estimated Sales Tax. With a combined total for Property Tax and Sales Tax it will roughly be around \$103,094.50 per quarter. Commissioner Ewart made motion to accept proposed projected budget, motion was seconded by Commissioner Price. No discussion. Motion passed.

Secondly, Commissioner Shamard made a motion to use ESD current Small Taxing Unit rate of .10/\$100 for 2022 and for this to be Publicly Published in the Burnet Bulletin newspaper. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Price. No discussion. Motion passed.

12. Discuss ESD#8 Water Storage Strategy and take action on:
 - a. The water collection tanks located on Gene Keeling's property. Motion made by Commissioner Shamard for department to move forward in getting estimated repair costs for existing tanks and draft an agreement with Mr. Keeling to use/access tanks of his property. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ewart. No discussion. Motion passed.
 - b. The water collection tanks located at Briggs Community Center. Still waiting on parts to repair pump.
 - c. The water collection tanks to be located at new Briggs Fire Station. See earlier notes in 9d.

13. Next Meeting is August 23, 2021 at 29111 FM 963 Oakalla, TX 78608 at 6:45 pm.

14. Motion to adjourn at 8:57pm made by Commissioner Shamard, Seconded by Commissioner Ewart. No discussion. Meeting adjourned.

Brian Butler, Secretary