

Minutes

Burnet County Emergency Services District #8

Monday, August 23rd 2021 Regular Meeting

Commissioners present: Price, Shamard, Ewart , Attending via skype Keith and Butler

1. The regular monthly meeting for ESD 8 was called to order at 6:47 pm by Commissioner Shamard .
2. The Pledges of Allegiance were said by all in attendance. The Invocation was led by Commissioner Butler.
3. Commissioner Shamard thanked all in attendance. Recognition of Damon Bierlie, and Russell Kneese. Russell Kneese (Lt. from Burnet Sheriff's office)spoke briefly about the radios system used in Burnet County and how the system worked. Generally discussed the need for new radios within the Oakalla ESD and that process of acquiring and funding plans.
4. No citizens signed up to speak on non-agenda items.
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6. The minutes were reviewed from the August 2nd special meeting. Commissioner Shamard made motion to accept minutes, Second was made by Commissioner Price. No discussion. The motion passed.
7. Review of any corrections from prior meeting. Commissioner Price made motion to accept any needed corrections and Commissioner Shamard made second. Motion passes.
8. Commissioner Ewart presented the ESD Financials. Property tax deposits for July totaled \$54269.25. Sales tax collected for the same period were \$17,862.03. As of August 18 our property tax deposits have been \$1435.23. Sales tax collected for same period were \$19,417.69. The ESD bank balance as of 07/31/21 was \$223,640.21. The bank balance as of 7/31/2021 was \$243,073.43. The ESD contingency account balance as of 07/31/2021 was \$101,625.01. Motion to approve financial report made by Commissioner Price, Second made by Shamard. No discussion. Motion passed.
9. A. The activity report for Oakalla VFD was reviewed. Response time for July was 9.54 minutes.
B. The FD financials were reviewed with questions regarding credit card charges regarding the sum of money used for food for meetings. Explained money was also used for food in meetings where trainings were involved.
C. Chief Roehrig said training continues. Truck Chassy should be coming in around October 1st, 2021Station completion should be on track for September or October 2021. Trunk of Treat will be held at the fire station for a date to be set around Halloween. Congratulations were offered to EMT's that have passed tests to be certified.

10. A. Approve payment of regular Bills. Commissioner Shamard makes motion, Commissioner Price seconds the motion. No discussion. Motion passes.

B. Briggs Station update. Progress is going well. The rain water collection station was put in. There may be an addition to widen the driveway to 24 feet to accommodate vehicles. Concrete was removed, tubes installed for drainage. Original pad needs to be expanded from 54 x 54 to 60 x 60.

C. Budget Update. We are on schedule within the budget, and awaiting contractors to complete their tasks and also changing well service guys as the first one is taking too long.

11. Discuss and take action on FY-21 ESD #8 for audits and recommendations. This item will be tabled until next month.

12. Take action to adopt budget for fiscal year Oct. 21 thru September September 2022. A Motion was made by Commissioner Ewart to adopt budget for above listed time frame. Second made by Commissioner Price. Motion passes.

13. Record vote of the adopted tax rate, adopt an order Levying taxes and authorize filing the Order with the Burnet county tax assessors /Collector. Commissioner Ewart makes a motion to adopt a budget and Commissioner Price seconds the vote. Motion passes. Next a Motion to adopt a tax rate was made by Commissioner Price. The Motion stated " I move that the property tax rate be maintained at \$0.10 per \$100 valuation which is effectively a 10.48 % increase in the tax dollars collected", and " All Commissioners must cast their vote aloud. Commissioner Price votes Yes, Commissioner Ewart votes Yes, Commissioner Keith votes Yes through skpe, Commissioner Butler votes yes via skype, and Commissioner Shamard votes Yes. The Motion passes unanimously. Next a motion to adopt an order Levying Taxes and authorize the filing of the Order with the Burnet County Tax Assessor collector was made by, Commissioner Butler and Second was made by Commissioner Keith. Motion passes.

14. A motion was made by commissioner Shamard to authorize the posting satement regarding the adopted tax rate to the web site of the district, and a second was made by commissioner Ewart. No discussion. The Motion passes

15. The next Regular Meeting for ESD #8 will be on Monday, September 27tht 6:45 PM at 29111 FM 963 Oakalla, Texas 78608.

16. Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Ewart, Seconded by Commissioner Price. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.