

Burnet County ESD 8 Approved Meeting Minutes for September 28,2020

1. At 6:45 pm the monthly meeting was called to order by Commissioner Elmore.
2. The invocation was led by County Commissioner Damon Bejerle. The pledges were said by all in attendance.
3. Commissioner Elmore recognized County Commissioner Damon Bejerle.
4. No citizens signed up to speak on non agenda items. Commissioner Elmore did recognize OVFD volunteer Russell Moore and asked for him to discuss medical issues that his wife (also a volunteer) is dealing with. Mr. Moore described her symptoms and current treatment that she needs. These treatments have a total cost of \$1200 and that so far \$600 has been collected for this family. She asked for any donations from the audience that would help out this family of our community and department.
5. No citizens signed up to speak
6. Minutes from the August 24th meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Ewart, and a 2nd by Commissioner Elmore. No discussion. The motion passed.
7. The treasurers report was presented by Commissioner Ewart. Property tax collected in August was \$1,452.71. August sales tax collected was \$24,123.51. As of September 27th there has been \$1,120.96 property tax collected. Sales tax collected through September 27 was \$20,726.87. The ESD bank balance through August was \$139,014.74. The bank balance on September 27 was \$92,047.63. The reason for the drop was the \$68,000 quarterly payment to the fire department was made during this month. The Contingency account bank balance is \$101,550.97
Motion to approve by Commissioner Shamard, and a 2nd by Commissioner Eaton. No discussion. The motion passed.
8. a. OVFD activity was reviewed and they still maintain a great response time of 10 minutes.
b. OVFD financials were reviewed with little discussion.
c. Fire Chiefs report
 1. The chief and several of the volunteers had a meeting with representatives from Firefly regarding the latest emergency fire response that the department responded to. Procedure and Response were the topics discussed with a focus from both organizations to improve Safety for the Firefly employees, Volunteer fire fighters, and the people of the surrounding community.
 2. Chief also mentioned that because of the departments mutual aid response to the fire in Horseshoe Bay that they probably will be receiving some compensation from that community that raised \$92,000. He wasn't sure what their portion would be.
 3. Update on Tanker truck. The quote for a 3000 gallon tanker is \$377,000.
 4. Fund raiser events have been approved by the county judge and proper PPE will be available.Gun show is scheduled for October 24 & 25.
Fajita dinner will be November 7.
9. i. No regular bills to be approved.
ii. and iii. Approve \$68,000 payment to department for quarterly payment and \$814.95 to BCAD. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Elmore and a 2nd made by Commissioner Shamard. No discussion. Motion passed.
iv. County Commissioner Bejerle said that the ESD had been approved to tag onto the county website with our own websites.
Commissioner Shamard suggested that the ESD website use BCESD8.com with an annual cost of \$9.99, and BCESD8.org also at a cost of \$8.99 annually. Motion to accept made by Commissioner Elmore and a 2nd was made by Commissioner Ewart.
v. 1. Briggs fire hall update. Highway entrance is complete. Soil assessment is underway for compaction requirements for concrete slab. The loan for the building construction has been approved. General contractors will be used to run the construction once the bids are received and awarded.

10. Update on the pending lawsuit with Briggs Community Center. Commissioner Butler said that he and Commissioner Shamard had met with Crystal Kinsey and Don Bizzell with BCC and that they offered the ESD a land lease where two water storage tanks currently sit. Their terms were \$600 per year for up to 10 years with the option for 10 more years after that.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shamard to lease the land that the two water storage tanks sit on from Briggs Community Center for \$600 per year for up to 10 years and an option for an additional 10 years after that with the same terms. Commissioner Butler seconded the motion. Some discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A second motion was made by Commissioner Elmore to notify the ESD attorney to withdraw the litigation against Briggs Community Center once this agreement is signed by both parties. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Shamard. No discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. The next meeting will be October 26th at 6:45. The location will be at the Oakalla fire station.

12. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Butler, 2nd by Commissioner Shamard. Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Brian Butler ESD # 8