

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NUMBER NO. 1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS
JUNE 20, 2024**

Carolyn Todd, President, called the meeting to order.

Louie Brown gave the invocation.

Pledge by all in attendance to the American Flag lead by Owen Scott.

Carolyn Todd certified that the Agenda was posted as dictated by law on the Board Website on June 14, 2024, and at the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on June 17, 2024. Board Members present in addition to Carolyn Todd were Louie Brown, Owen Scott, Charles Froebe and Kenneth Smith. Annie Baldwin, Volunteer Clerk, was present.

Louie Brown made a motion to approve the Agenda with the understanding that the items may be acted upon in any order. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

The minutes of Regular Meeting of May 16, 2024, Board of Commissioners, were presented for approval. Kenneth Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Jeremy Larue, Assistant Chief, Lindale Volunteer Fire Department, presented the monthly activities report for May. The Department has made a lot of calls in the last month. New firefighters have been hired and now the Department has a total of 54 personnel, eight of which are career firemen. A goal of October 1st has been set for the Department to house firefighters at night at Station #2. Mr. Larue briefly discussed the possibility of tearing down the main station downtown and completely rebuilding it.

Charles Froebe, Treasurer, presented the bills for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. The total requested for District funds was \$ 62,016.43. Owen Scott made a motion to approve the bills and pay the fire department the requested amount. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

Jeremy Larue presented the Audit report for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2023. No action to be taken by the Board.

Annie Baldwin discussed the District ordering an election for the General Election of November 05, 2024, for Single Member Districts 1 and 4. Charles Froebe made a motion for a Resolution to approve ordering an election for the Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for General Election of November 05, 2024, for Single Member Districts 1 and 4. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed an Interlocal Agreement between Smith County and Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for conducting a Joint Election for General Election of November 05, 2024. Charles Froebe made a motion for a Resolution to approve the Interlocal

Agreement between Smith County and Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for conducting a Joint Election for General Election of November 05, 2024. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Interlocal Agreement between Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 and Texas Municipal League. Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution to approve Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Interlocal Agreement between Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 and Texas Municipal League. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Jeremy Larue stated that Glen Patrick, Attorney, has been in contact with Quality Construction Services, Inc., concerning fire station #4 contract. Mr. Patrick will complete additional paper work supplied by the contractor and will furnish the Board a copy of the contract. No action taken by the Board.

Carolyn Todd discussed the possibility of the District changing its regular meeting hours from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Kenneth Smith made a motion for a Resolution to change the times of the regular board meetings from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Called and workshop meetings could be scheduled and held on a different dates and times. Motion was seconded by Louie Brown. Voting in favor of the motion was Kenneth Smith and Louie Brown. Owen Scott and Charles Froebe voted against the motion. Carolyn Todd, President, voted in favor of the motion and motion carried.

Carolyn Todd discussed the possibility of the District to transfer titles of all vehicles from the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department to Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1. Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution to transfer titles of all vehicles from Lindale Volunteer Fire Department to Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1. Transfers of titles to be completed as soon as possible on or after October 01, 2024. Motion seconded by Kenneth Smith. All in favor and motion carried.

There were no additional bills to be considered by the Board.

Charles Froebe presented the Treasurer's Report for May 2024. Owen Scott made a motion to approve the report. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

Jerretta Pate stated she had had a good meeting with Carolyn Todd. She said she had been attacked verbally by a member of the fire department at the station in front of other personnel, and she felt this to be unprofessional. She does want the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department to become the best fire department it can be. The Board did not enter into discussion.

Gordon Jeans' discussed the fire department's state charter which had not been updated since 2012, ownership of vehicles and disposition of such. The Board did not enter into discussion.

Jay Brooks discussed the Hideaway Lake contract with the Department. He felt they should be paying sales and use tax and Hideaway should be given the opportunity to join the ESD. The Board did not enter into discussion.

Owen Scott made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

CAROLYN TODD, PRESIDENT

KENNETH SMITH, SECRETARY