

**SOUTHWEST LEON COUNTY ESD #2
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING: November 16, 2021
MINUTES**

1. Ruth Hime called the meeting to order at 6:10 P.M.
2. Hank Dembosky led the Board in prayer.
3. Ruth Hime led the Board in the pledges of allegiance.
4. Commissioners in attendance: President, Ruth Hime; Vice President, Hank Dembosky; Treasurer, Janice Stark; Assistant Treasurer, Janey Shannon; and Claren Kotrla, Secretary.
5. Guests (6) in attendance are noted on the attached Sign-In Sheet.

REPORTS

6. Treasurer's Report:
 - a. Bills/Checks to be approved are listed on the attached Transaction list. Hank Dembosky made motion to approve payment and Janey Shannon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. One (1) Deposit of \$1,191.15 was received from Leon County.
 - c. The Financial Report for October 2021, was reviewed and discussed. Janey Shannon moved and Hank Dembosky seconded to accept the financial report. The Board unanimously voted to approve the Financial Report for October 2021.

Dennis Smith/Ron Ryder presented the EMS October 2021 Activity Report (attached). Fire Chief Gary Hall presented the VFD October Operations Report (attached) Traci Ratcliff-Smith presented the HTL VFD/EMS Financial Report (attached). EMS monthly performance measures as follows, noted in the activity reports (attached to these minutes) were:

- EMS Responses: 34
- Transports: 11
- Avg. Response Time: 6:41 min.
- Avg. Out-of-Chute Time: 1:43. min
- Fire Trainings: 3 total of 12 individuals
- Volunteer Hours: Oct. 12 hrs.

. Upon presentation and review of the October Fire Operations Report and the EMS October Activity Report, Janice Stark moved and Hank Dembosky 2nd, and the Board unanimously voted to accept the HTL VFD/EMS Operational Reports for filing. Upon presentation and review of the October HTL VFD/EMS Financial Report, Hank

Dembosky moved and Jannice Stark 2nd and Board unanimously voted to accept the report.

7. Committee Reports & Actions:
 - a. Long Range Planning: Ron Ryder, Hank Dembosky and Ruth Hime will attend the December 22 Leon County Commissioners Meeting to receive progress information regarding ARPA funding.
 - b. Annual Audit: The annual audit will be presented at the December 21 meeting.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

8. Hank Dembosky presented a comparison of the ESD tax funds received in Leon County, Texas. Based on the tax base ESD #2 receives 12.25% of Leon County ESD distributions per attached summary.
9. Hank Dembosky presented potential legislative initiative that would impact existing medical transportation services by placing them under the Texas Department of Insurance. Costs of operation would increase having a negative effect on the numerous people who use these services and upon the ESD's. President Hime will discuss with SAFE-D, Silver Haired Legislation Rep Scott Christianson and others.
10. The minutes of the October 19, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Janice Stark moved the minutes be accepted, with amendments, Janey Shannon 2nd, and the Board unanimously approved the motion.
11. Training and Other Communications: Ruth Hime reported that the 2022 SAFE-D annual conference will be held February 17 thru February 19, in Round Rock, TX. Continuing education units (CEU's) for all ESD commissioners are statutorily required.
12. Public Comment: None.
13. The next meeting was set for Tuesday, December 21, 2021, 6 PM at the Fire Station.
14. Adjournment: Janice Stark moved to adjourn, and the Board unanimously approved the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Claren Kotrla, Board Secretary