

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NUMBER NO. 1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS
NOVEMBER 16, 2023**

Carolyn Todd, President, called the meeting to order.

Owen Scott gave the invocation.

Pledge by all in attendance to the American Flag lead by Kenneth Smith.

Carolyn Todd certified that the Agenda was posted as dictated by law on the Board Website on November 09, 2023, and at the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on November 09, 2023. Board Members present in addition to Carolyn Todd were Louie Brown, Charles Froebe, Owen Scott and Kenneth Smith. Annie Baldwin, Volunteer Clerk, was present.

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

The minutes of Called Meeting of November 07, 2023, and the Regular Meeting of October 19, 2023, Board of Commissioners, were presented for approval. Charles Froebe made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

There were no citizens to talk during Citizen Talk Time.

Joe Yeakley, Fire Chief, Lindale Volunteer Fire Department, presented the monthly activities report for October. He stated this will be a record year for the Department for calls. The Chief has signed paper work for two new fire trucks. The Chiefs have interviewed four potential firefighters. They were administered tests and all four passed every test. Mr. Yeakley related to the Board that the Department of Labor, Wage and Hour Division, Representative has contacted the Department both on telephone and in person and has requested a lot of information which the Department will provide them.

Charles Froebe, Treasurer, presented the bills for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. The total requested for District funds was \$ 40,667.75. Louie Brown made a motion to approve the bills and pay the fire department the requested amount. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

Quality Construction Services, Inc., were not in attendance to present contract for construction of new first station #4, Carolyn Todd tabled this item.

Since the Board has not received the audit for workman's compensation, Carolyn Todd tabled this item.

Annie Baldwin explained correspondence from Gary Barber, Smith County Tax Assessor-Collector, which gave the amount of the 2023 Tax Roll for Smith County Emergency Services District #1. Charles Froebe made a motion for a Resolution to approve the 2023 tax rolls.

Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried

Kenneth Smith presented the 2023 Annual Report of the City of Lindale Reinvestment Zone #2 pertaining to the Tax Increment Financing. No action necessary to be taken by the Board.

Annie Baldwin explained that the District would need to name an individual to represent the Board on the City of Lindale Reinvestment Zone # 2, Tax Increment financing. A motion was made by Louie Brown for a Resolution to name Kenneth Smith as a representative for the Board to the City of Lindale Reinvestment Zone #2 Tax Increment Financing, for a two year term beginning January 01, 2024, to December 31, 2025. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Louie Brown presented the 2023 Annual Report of the City of Lindale Reinvestment Zone #3 pertaining to Tax Increment Financing. No action necessary to be taken by the Board.

Annie Baldwin explained that the Board needed to name individual(s) to represent the Board in matters concerning construction of new fire station. Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution to name Carolyn Todd, Charles Froebe and Annie Baldwin to represent the Board in matters concerning construction of new fire station. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin explained to the Board that SAFE-D was having their 2024 annual training to be held in Irving, Texas on February 22-24, 2024. Board Members Owen Scott and Louie Brown expressed an interest to attend the training. Charles Froebe made a motion to approve Owen Scott and Louie Brown to attend this training and approve the amount of \$ 295 each for registration fee and provide \$ 100 a day for per diem. Lindale Volunteer Fire Department will make initial payments for registration and \$ 100 a day for per diem. The Department will then be reimbursed for the expenses. Motion seconded by Kenneth Smith. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed Sales And Use Tax. She discussed the Sales And Use Sales Tax Allocation Summary that the District will be receiving each month from the State of Texas Comptroller's office beginning in December 2023. No action necessary to be taken by the Board.

Charles Froebe presented the following bills for payment: Annie C. Baldwin \$ 303.29 (\$ 83.29 for office and \$ 220 for training); United States Postal Services, \$ 108.00 for post office box service; Wallace Johnson Surveying and Mapping, LLC \$ 2,500 for land infrastructure (surveying); Dynamic Engineering Consultants, \$ 3,000 for land infrastructure. Louie Brown made a motion to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

Charles Froebe presented the Treasurer's Report for October 2023. Owen Scott made a motion to approve the report. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

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

CAROLYN TODD, PRESIDENT

KENNETH SMITH, SECRETARY