

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NUMBER NO. 1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS
FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

Carolyn Todd, President, called the meeting to order.

Owen Scott gave the invocation.

Pledge by all in attendance to the American Flag lead by Charles Froebe.

Carolyn Todd certified that the Agenda was posted as dictated by law on the Board Website on February 09, 2024, and at the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on February 09, 2024. 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 Regular Meeting of January 18, 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.

There were no citizens to talk during Citizen Talk Time.

Brandon Moore, Emergency Management Coordinator for Smith County, addressed the Board concerning Hazard Mitigation Plan to be considered by the Board. If approved, the Plan would allow the District to apply for federal grants in the future. The Plan would be in effect for the next five years. Mr. Moore explained the Plan would eventually need to be approved by Smith County, the State of Texas and FEMA. After a short discussion, Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution to approve the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Voting for the Resolution were: Carolyn Todd, Owen Scott, Kenneth Smith and Louie Brown. Voting against the Resolution was Charles Froebe. Motion carried.

Joe Yeakley, Fire Chief, Lindale Volunteer Fire Department, presented the monthly activities report for January. He stated the Department made 168 calls last month. The Chief discussed plans that were being made by local governments concerning the total eclipse of the sun on April 08, 2024.

Charles Froebe, Treasurer, presented the bills for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. The total requested for District funds was \$ 58,007.90. Kenneth Smith 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.

Annie Baldwin, Volunteer Clerk, presented the annual audit ending September 30, 2023. Mrs. Baldwin stated that the auditors did not find any areas of concern, and they had no

recommendations to make. Owen Scott made a motion for a Resolution to approve the audit for the District for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2023. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed the need to rescind Resolution #24-2023 which named Carolyn Todd, Board President, to receive Monthly Confidentiality Reports from the Comptroller's office. Charles Froebe made a motion for a Resolution to Rescind Resolution #24-2023 dated December 21, 2023. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed the need to name an officer of the board to request and receive the monthly confidentiality reports from the Comptroller's office. Louie Brown made a Resolution to name Kenneth Smith, Board Secretary, to request and receive Monthly Confidentiality Reports from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts for Smith County Emergency Services No. 1, P. O. Box 697, Lindale, Texas 75771. The sales tax account number is 5212530. Mr. Smith's email is ksmith5000@aol.com, telephone number is 903-882-6443 and home address is 13048 Shadow Ride Road, Lindale, Texas 75771. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed the Sales and Use Tax Allocation Summary for December 2023 which was paid in February 2024 from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts office. Gross collections were \$ 181,670.22 minus State fees which left a total of \$ 177,078.12 to be deposited into the Board's bank account. No action to be taken by the Board.

Louie Brown discussed Lindale Rural Water Corporation's leasing land to the Board for fire station #4. Mr. Brown stated that the water board would meet on March 04, 2024, to finalize the lease, and he would present the final lease to the fire district Board on their meeting of March 21, 2024. No action to be taken by the Board.

Charles Froebe presented a bill from Wilf & Henderson for \$ 6,375 for Audit. Louie Brown made a motion to approve the payment of the bill as presented. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.

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

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

CAROLYN TODD, PRESIDENT

KENNETH SMITH, SECRETARY