

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NUMBER NO. 1  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS  
JUNE 19, 2025**

**Louie Brown, Vice-President, called the meeting to order.**

**Cory Crowell gave the invocation.**

**Pledge by all in attendance to the American Flag was led by Owen Scott.**

**Louie Brown certified that the Agenda was posted as dictated by law on the Board Website on June 12, 2025, and at the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on June 16, 2025. Board Members present in addition to Louie Brown were Cory Crowell, Charles Froebe and Owen Scott. Board Member Carolyn Todd was absent. Annie Baldwin, Volunteer Clerk, was present.**

**Cory Crowell 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 the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2025, Board of Commissioners, were presented for approval. Charles Froebe made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Cory Crowell. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Benjamin Pate addressed the Board before the Fire Department presented their monthly reports. Mr. Pate stated that he wanted to emphasize that he appreciated the Fire Department and the ESD Board, and he wanted us to have a safe Department. He wanted to ask three questions: (1) Does the ESD have a policy in place regarding special use of fire department equipment? (2) Does the ESD or Fire Department have a policy in place for people riding on or in fire trucks? (3) Does Lindale Volunteer Fire Department have Standard Operation Procedures outlining the required uniforms to be worn during calls? It was determined that the answers to Mr. Pate's questions were yes.**

**Jeremy Larue, Fire Chief, Lindale Volunteer Fire Department, presented monthly activities report for May. There were 197 calls and 129 of them were EMS calls. The Department recently held elections. The following officers were elected Fire Chief, Jeremy Larue; 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief, Troy Pritchett; 2<sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief, Clay Williams; 1<sup>st</sup> Captain, Josh Johnson; 2<sup>nd</sup> Captain, Jordan Hicks; 3<sup>rd</sup> Captain, Jacob Green; 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant, Brad Brown; 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, Caleb Laskowski; 3<sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant, Elijah Krajewski; Secretary, Matheus Soares. Jordan Hicks retained the job as Treasurer.**

**Owen Scott, Treasurer, presented the bills for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. The total requested for District funds was \$ 185,667.98. Charles Froebe 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.**

**Jermey Larue stated the Audit for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department ending September 30, had been received by the Department, but he was unable to pull it up on his computer. Louie Brown tabled the item until the July 2025 meeting.**

**Louie Brown updated the Board that Lindale Rural Water Supply has received notice that the land has been cleared by the court to enable them to get a clear title for the property for us to purchase for construction for fire station #4. No action to be taken by the Board.**

**Owen Scott presented a bill from Smith County for \$ 8,500 for payment of Dispatch Service for Fiscal Year 2025. Cory Crowell made a motion to approve the payment of the bill as presented. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Owen Scott presented the Treasurer's Report for May 2025. Charles Froebe made a motion to approve the report. Motion seconded by Cory Crowell. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Cory Crowell made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by Owen Scott. All in favor and motion carried.**

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**LOUIE BROWN, VICE- PRESIDENT**

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**CHARLES FROEBE, SECRETARY**