

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No. 1  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
CALLED MEETING  
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS  
AUGUST 28, 2025**

**Carolyn Todd, President, called the meeting to order.**

**Louie Brown 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 August 21, 2025, and the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on August 25, 2025. Board Members present in addition to Carolyn Todd were Charles Froebe, and Louie Brown. Board members Cory Crowell and Owen Scott were absent. Annie Baldwin, Volunteer Clerk was present.**

**A motion was made by Louie Brown 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.**

**A motion was made by Charles Froebe to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting, August 21, 2025, Board of Commissioners. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Jeremy Larue presented the proposed budget for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. The budget requested \$ 3,021,250 funds be made available to the Department.**

**A motion was made by Louie Brown to approve the \$ 3,021,250 amount requested by the Department under the terms of the contract with the District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Annie Baldwin explained that the Board will need to approve Form 1295, Certificate of Interested Parties prepared by the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. A motion was made by Louie Brown to approve the document. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.**

**Annie Baldwin explained to the Board the amount of the District funds needed for the Board for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 was \$ 3,214,783. A motion was made by Louie Brown to approve the \$ 3,214,783 needed by the Board from District funds Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.**

**At 4:13 p.m. Carolyn Todd began a public hearing on the budget for the District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. There were no visitors to comment on the proposed budget.**

**A motion was made by Charles Froebe to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried. Carolyn Todd closed the public hearing at 4:16 p.m.**

**Annie Baldwin discussed the budget for the District. She stated the projected Beginning Balance is \$ 5,392,366, projected Total Revenues is \$ 4,201,093, projected Total Expenditures is \$ 6,236,033 and Projected Ending Balance is \$ 3,357,426. A motion was made by Louie Brown for a Resolution to approve the budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 which includes funds to be paid to the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department under the terms of the contract. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. Voting in favor of the budget was: Carolyn Todd, Charles Froebe and Louie Brown.**

**At 4:17 p.m. Carolyn Todd began a public hearing on the proposed tax rate for the District for the tax year 2025. There were no visitors to comment on the proposed tax rate.**

**A motion was made by Charles Froebe to close the public hearing. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried. Carolyn Todd closed the public hearing at 4:22 p.m.**

**Annie Baldwin explained the proposed tax rate of \$.068865 is proposed tax rate. All necessary and legal steps have been taken by the District to adopt a tax rate. Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution “THAT THE PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR THE SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 BE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF \$ .068865 PER \$ 100 VALUATION FOR TAX YEAR 2025. THIS TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY .07% BY WHICH THE TAX RATE EXCEEDS THE NO-NEW-REVENUE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS RATE OF \$ .064094 AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$ 100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$ 4.78. A TAX RATE OF \$ .00 BE ADOPTED FOR THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON BONDED DEBT OF THE DISTRICT.” Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. Voting in favor of the adoption of the tax rate was: Carolyn Todd, Charles Froebe and Louie Brown.**

**A motion was made by Louie Brown to adjourn. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.**

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**CAROLYN TODD, PRESIDENT**

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**CHARLES FROEBE, SECRETARY**