

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SMITH COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NUMBER NO. 1
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
LINDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, LINDALE, TEXAS
JUNE 18, 2026**

Carolyn Todd, President, called the meeting to order.

Joe Yeakley 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 June 10, 2026, and at the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department on June 10, 2026. Board Members present in addition to Carolyn Todd were Louie Brown, Owen Scott, Charles Froebe and Cory Crowell. 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 Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

The minutes of Regular Meeting of May 21, 2026, Board of Commissioners, were presented for approval. Cory Crowell made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

Carolyn Todd discussed the process of hiring a Construction Manager at Risk Company to build fire station # 4. She stated that six different companies had turned in proposals and that she and Charles Froebe had graded all the companies. She explained the grading process. Mrs. Todd said that she and Mr. Froebe were recommending Watson Commercial Construction Ltd. This company had the highest score and also was the lowest bidder. Louie Brown made a motion for a Resolution that states, "The results of evaluating six (6) companies during the two-step process for hiring a Construction Manager at Risk Company have determined that Watson Commercial Construction Ltd provides the Best Value as the Construction Manager At Risk Company for building the Smith County Emergency Services District No.1, Fire Station #4." Carolyn Todd, Board President, is authorized to sign any paperwork regarding the hiring of Watson Commercial Construction Ltd. Motion seconded by Cory Crowell. All in favor and motion carried. Commissioners Crowell, Brown and Scott expressed their appreciation to Commissioners Todd and Froebe for the work they have done on this project.

Jeremy Larue, Fire Chief, Lindale Volunteer Fire Department, presented the monthly activities report for May. It was a busy month. There were several wrecks but only two fires. EMS had a busy month also responding to regular medical calls. CAD is up and working as designed. Jordan Hicks with LVFD had been very helpful in this endeavor. Training was done by Motorola, and the training went well. There have been a few hiccups concerning CAD, but things will be worked out.

Owen Scott, Treasurer, presented the bills for the Lindale Volunteer Fire Department. The total requested for District funds was \$ 176,788.83. Louie Brown made a motion to approve the bills and pay the fire department the requested amount. Motion seconded by Cory Crowell. All in

favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed the District ordering an election for the General Election of November 03, 2026, for Single Member Districts 2, 3 and 5. Owen Scott made a motion for a Resolution to approve ordering an election for the Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for General Election of November 03, 2026, for Single Member Districts 2, 3 and 5. Motion seconded by Louie Brown. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed an Interlocal Agreement between Smith County and Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for conducting a Joint Election for General Election of November 03, 2026. Cory Crowell made a motion for a Resolution to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Smith County and Smith County Emergency Services District No. 1 for conducting a Joint Election for General Election of November 03, 2026. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Annie Baldwin discussed Smith County Appraisal District's proposed Budget for year 2027. She stated that the Board would see an increase of 16.6% from \$ 30,371 to \$ 35,418, a \$ 5,047 increase. No action was taken by the Board.

Owen Scott presented a bill from Patrick Law Office of \$ 82.50 for legal fees. Cory Crowell made a motion to pay the bill as presented. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Owen Scott presented the Treasurer's Report for May 2026. Cory Crowell made a motion to approve the report. Motion seconded by Charles Froebe. All in favor and motion carried.

Cory Crowell requested to put an item on the meeting for July to discuss replacement of Annie Baldwin. He should have all the information he needs to discuss this with the Board.

Carolyn Todd stated she will continue the process of getting construction done for the new fire station. She said that the land purchase has been completed and land now belongs to the Board.

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

CAROLYN TODD, PRESIDENT

CHARLES FROEBE, SECRETARY