

Minutes of Van Zandt ESD #3 Meeting  
May 12, 2022

The regular meeting of Van Zandt ESD#3 was called to order by President Marvin Shaw at 7:02 pm. A quorum was deemed present with the following board members present: Marvin Shaw, Sue Baugh, Scott Opitz, Heath Morris and Brian Cummins. Brian Cummins opened the meeting with a prayer.

Brian Cummins read the minutes of the April 14, 2022 meeting. Scott Opitz moved to accept the minutes with the following corrections – change the amount on a check from “\$1573.13 to \$1577.13” the amount of the deposit from VZ CAD from “\$7050.20 to \$7050.25”. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was no citizen input.

David Slattery of Slattery and Tackett Architects presented an agreement for service for the design of new fire station. The proposal has a \$5,000.00 fee to start and includes going over the needs survey, sitting down with the building committee and initial design. He went into detail how the survey will be used in the design and the differences between construction costs and project costs. Scott Opitz moved to accept the proposal and move forward on the project. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tim Meredith gave his report from SVZVFD. He presented bills from Fire Tech for scene lights in the amount of \$2035.00 and \$4194.26 (which included a discount of 3 hrs. @ \$135 per hour) for re-wiring truck. He reported that the number of calls had diminished greatly from the number in February. No action required on report. Bills will be addressed in treasurer’s report.

Tim Meredith gave his financial report. No action required.

Scott Opitz presented the treasurer’s report. We had deposits of \$14,193.26 from VZ CAD for taxes and \$100.00 for refund from Fire Supply. He reported that the following checks need to be written:

Ck 1382	SVZVFD	contracted services	\$20,981.00
Ck 1383	Burns Anderson	contracted services	\$ 60.00
Ck 1384	VFIS of Texas	insurance	\$ 992.75

Sue Baugh moved to accept the treasurer’s report and pay the bills including the ones presented in SVZVFD report. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Marvin Shaw reported that the utility lines had been located and everything except the gas line had been done. He is asking TXDOT for a letter saying they approve of everything and then JGN can be paid. No action required.

A check for \$76,500.00 was received by SVZVFD for the totaled fire engine as the insurance company had them listed as loss payee. A check for \$79,500.00 was written to Van Zandt ESD

#3. We need to reimburse SVZVFD \$3,000.00 for overpayment. Brian Cummins moved to reimburse SVZVFD. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tim Meredith presented a bill from Fire Supply Inc. for \$6077.97 for miscellaneous equipment and valves. He then presented a bill from Rocky Mountain Comm for \$2548.00 for a 50-watt dual band radio, a bill from Stash Enterprise for \$5961.77 for wireless head set and a bill from GEN2 Innovations for a G2 pike pole for \$464.95. Tim Meredith reported the truck was operational and is located at the Old Bethel station. A final bill was presented from Randy Padgett Signs for lettering in the amount of \$1400.00 for lettering on the truck. These expenditures are under budget that were approved in the February meeting.

Due to the absence of chief Greg Beverly, no report was given on tanker #3. Marvin Shaw asked that at the next meeting we have an estimate on either repairing the existing tanker, build a new tanker or purchasing a new truck. No action required.

Scott Opitz reported on the status of audit. The auditor reported no problems so far and that having a lot of things on website made it easier. Opitz said he would remind the auditor that the audit is to be completed by June 1. No action required.

Marvin Shaw reported on preliminary figures provided by VZ CAD. The unofficial valuation number is \$771,609,200.00 and will be certified in late July. No action required.

Dates for future meetings was discussed. Several members reported conflicts with the traditional 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday date in July. Sue Baugh moved to set the June meeting for June 9 and the July meeting for July 21, both at 7:00 pm in Fire Station #4. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Brian Cummins moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Sue Baugh. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm.

Submitted by

*Brian Cummins*

Secretary, Van Zandt ESD # 3