

Minutes of Van Zandt ESD #3 Meeting
July 21, 2022

The regular meeting of Van Zandt ESD#3 was called to order by President Marvin Shaw at 7:04 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 June 9, 2022 meeting. Scott Opitz moved to accept the minutes with one correction. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was no citizen input.

Marvin Shaw reported that he and Scott Opitz met with the architect. They went and looked at the new station in Wills Point. The space for truck bays was increased and the office and living space was reduced in an effort to lower the costs. No action required.

Ron Beaver had a report on ESD#3's website and thing that needed to be added. He also presented an invoice for registering the domain and updating the site.

Tim Meredith gave his report from SVZVFD. He presented three bills for equipment repair. He also reported that SVZVFD was over budget by \$14,946.13. The areas where the overages occurred in fuel cost, equipment repairs and stipends due to increased demand for services. He said if the ESD would pick up the pager contract and fuel bill that he felt they could get by. Scott Opitz suggested it would be a cleaner audit trail to write one check to SVZVFD. Brian Cummins moved to write a check from the emergency fund for \$15,000.00. Motion was seconded by Heath Morris. Motion carried.

Tim Meredith reported on staffing changes. For the remainder of July, due to the number of calls, 2 firemen will be on duty for a 6 hour shift at Station 4. Cost will be \$10 per hour per fireman. It was felt that having 2 fireman on site could give them a jump on containing fires. No action required.

Scott Opitz presented the treasurers report. We had deposits of \$8408.97 from VZ CAD for taxes. He reported that the following checks had been written:

Ck 1400	Burn Anderson Jury	contracted service	\$ 60.00
Ck 1401	Lonestar Axe	equipment	\$ 246.37
Ck 1402	Wildfire Trucks	equipment repair	\$ 1281.00
Ck 1403	Bob Keltner	equipment repair	\$ 160.00
CK 1404	Ron Beaver	contracted service	\$ 200.00
CK 1405	SVZVFD	emergency over budget	\$15,000.00

Sue Baugh moved to accept the treasurers report and to pay the bills. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Scott Opitz reported the had received a preliminary copy of the audit. No action required.

Marvin Shaw reported that he has not gotten any tax valuation figures from VZ CAD. No action required.

Brian Cummins moved to set the August meeting for August 11 at 7:00 pm in Fire Station #4. Scott Opitz seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Scott Opitz moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Sue Baugh. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Submitted by

Brian Cummins

Secretary, Van Zandt ESD # 3