

Minutes of Van Zandt ESD #3 Meeting
September 8, 2022

The regular meeting of Van Zandt ESD#3 was called to order by President Marvin Shaw at 7:05 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 August 11 2022 meeting. Sue Baugh moved to accept the minutes with the deletion of two words that were double typed. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried. Brian Cummins then read the minutes of the public hearing on the proposed tax increase held August 29. Heath Morris moved to accept the minutes. Motion seconded by Sue Baugh. The motion passed. Brian Cummins then read the minutes from the special called meeting of August 29 to adopt the budget and set the tax rate. Sue Baugh moved to accept the minutes. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion to approve the minutes. Passed.

There was no citizen input.

Tim Meredith gave his report from SVZVFD. He presented a bill for \$2127.87 for repairs done by Hall Chevrolet on the Tahoe used by the fire chief. Brian Cummins moved to accept the report and to pay the bill. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tim Meredith gave his financial report on SVZVFD. No action required.

Scott Opitz presented the treasurers report. We had deposits of \$3,011.43 from VZ CAD for taxes. He reported that the following checks had been written:

Ck 1410	SVZVFD	contracted service	\$ 7,376.00
Ck 1411	Burn, Anderson & Jury	contracted service	\$ 660.00
Ck 1412	Pattillo, Brown & Hill	contracted service	\$ 1,500.00
Ck 1413	Fire Tech	repairs	\$13,198.04
Ck 1414	E&S Custom Covers	equipment	\$ 1,931.70
Ck 1415	Hall Chevrolet	repairs	\$ 2,127.87
Ck 1416	VZ CAD	contracted service	\$ 5,717.33

Scott Opitz recommended that we transfer \$30,400.00 from the operating CD to the checking account. Brian Cummins moved to transfer \$30,400.00 from the operating CD to the checking account. Heath Morris seconded the motion. The motion carried. Brian Cummins moved to accept the treasurer's report and to pay the bills. Heath Morris seconded the motion the motion carried.

Marvin Shaw opened a discussion on replacing brush truck. There were some discrepancies in the specifications that had been submitted. In one place it said a F-450 and another a F-550. He

reminded that because of the cost of the truck exceeded \$50,000.00, we would need to have 3 bids. SVZVFD was asked to get the specification clarified. No action taken.

Marvin Shaw then led a review of the SVZVFD 5-year plan and projected tax revenues. Board members discussed prioritizing equipment replacements. No action taken.

Marvin Shaw asked the board had they polled neighbors about instituting a sales tax as a way to fund the ESD. There was some discussion on using the sales tax to reduce dependence on property taxes. Marvin Shaw said he would consult with our attorney on the matter. No action taken.

Heath Morris moved to set the October meeting for October 13 at 7:00 pm in Fire Station #4. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Sue Baugh moved to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Brian Cummins. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Submitted by

Brian Cummins

Secretary, Van Zandt ESD # 3