

Minutes of Van Zandt ESD #3 Meeting  
January 12, 2023

The regular meeting of Van Zandt ESD#3 was called to order by President Marvin Shaw at 7:01 pm. A quorum was deemed present with the following board members present: Marvin Shaw, Sue Baugh, Scott Opitz, and Brian Cummins. Brian Cummins opened the meeting with a prayer.

Brian Cummins read the minutes of the November 10, 2022 meeting. Scott Opitz moved to accept the minutes as read. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion carried

There was no citizen input.

Tim Meredith gave his report from SVZVFD. He reported that the Commissioners Court have taken no action on putting a radio tower at station #3. Meredith reported on an increase in the number of calls. No action required.

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

Scott Opitz gave the financial report for VZ ESD #3. He reported the following deposits and checks that have been written:

Deposit		Tax collection	\$34,045.53
Deposit		Tax collection	\$77,893.79
Deposit		Tax collection	\$71,039.99
Deposit		Tax collection	\$59,259.85
Ck 1432	VZ ESD#3	FSB- Capital	\$ 4,642.29
Ck 1433	SVZVFD	Contracted services	\$19,907.30
Ck 1434	U.S Postal Service	Office supplies	\$ 74.00

Scott Opitz suggested that we move \$120,000.00 from the checking account to the Capital account. Brian Cummins moved to accept the treasurer's report and to move the funds. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Greg Beverly reported on the progress of replacing the water tank on Tanker #3. He reported that the tank should be here at the end of January or early February. No action required.

Marvin Shaw reported that we have a VIN number on the new brush truck. The truck should be delivered in late February. No action required.

Marvin Shaw asked that each ESD #3 commissioner contact members of the Commissioner's Court to see if there was interest in the county selling the land and buildings where station #4 is located. No action taken.

Marvin Shaw reported that Martins Mill ISD is not going to hold a bond election in May. He led a discussion on a sales tax as a possible revenue source. Commissioners discussed the pros and cons of asking for a sales tax to be collected. Scott Opitz moved go forward and have Van Zandt ESD #3 place on the May ballot for ESD #3 to collect a sales tax. Sue baugh seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Marvin Shaw reported on a meeting with the new county judge. SVZVFD is supposed to be paying the electric bill for station #4. We should expect to be getting a bill in the future. No action required.

Brian Cummins moved to hold the next meeting of Van Zandt ESD #3 on February 9, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Station #4. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. It was brought up that Heath Morris could not be there on February 9. Brian Cummins moved to amend his motion and hold the meeting on February 2. Sue Baugh seconded the amendment. The amended motion passed.

Brian Cummins moved to adjourn the meeting. Scott Opitz seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by

*Brian Cummins*

Secretary, Van Zandt ESD # 3