

May 15,2025

Minutes of Van Zandt County ESD#3 Regular Meeting

- 1) The regular meeting of Van Zandt County Emergency Services District #3 was called to order by President Brian Cummins at 7:01 pm. Brian Cummins lead the opening prayer. A quorum was deemed present with the following members in attendance; Brian Cummins, Sue Baugh, Scott Opitz, and Heath Morris. Dustin McClendon was absent.
- 2) Heath Morris read the minutes for the April 10, 2025 meeting. Scott Opitz made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 3) There was no citizen input.
- 4) Tim Meredith gave a report on SVZVFD. Three bills were submitted. No action was taken.
- 5) Tim Meredith gave the SVZVFD financial report. Heath Morris made a motion to accept the financial report. Scott Opitz seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 6) Scott Opitz gave the VZCESD#3 financial report:

*4/2	deposit	VZCAD	receivables-taxes	+\$23,285.26
*4/17	deposit	VZCAD	receivables-taxes	+\$6,772.58
*5/15	#1592	VFIS	Insurance	-\$4,512.00
*5/15	#1593	SVZVFD	emergency services	-\$22,505.50
*5/15	#1594	Casco	equipment	-\$913.65
*5/15	#1595	Siddons Martin	repairs	-\$7,902.99
*5/15	#1596	Ron Beaver	laptop/antivirus(secretary)	-\$550.05

Sue Baugh made a motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills. Heath Morris seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 7) Ron Beaver gave a report on the website update. It is on-going, but coming along nicely. No action was taken.
- 8) In the absence of Chief Beverly, an equipment update was unavailable.
- 9) Brian Cummins reminded all that we need to start thinking about the start of the budgeting process. No action was taken.
- 10) Ron Beaver gave a report on the status of the new radio system. The base station installations have begun and should be completed by the end of next week. The system, as a whole, is coming along nicely. Ron recommended that we purchase a couple of spare radios prior to the system going live. Prior to the system going live, the radios can be purchased at a 73% discounted price. Ron is going to get actual pricing for us to consider for the next meeting. No action was taken.

- 11) Brian Cummins discussed plans for an addition to Station #4. No action was taken.
- 12) Brian Cummins discussed possibly selling the empty lot on SH 64. After some discussion, Scott Opitz made a motion to table selling the property On SH 64. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 13) Brian Cummins discussed the sale of surplus fire equipment. Engine 3 is presently out-of-service and will possibly be auctioned or turned into a Blocker unit for use on the interstate. The possibility of auctioning Tiller 4 was discussed. No action was taken.
- 14) Sue Baugh made a motion to set the next meeting on June 12, 2025 at 7:00 pm. Heath Morris seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously.
- 15) Heath Morris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sue Baugh seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Submitted by,

Heath Morris
Secretary VZCESD#3