



Henderson County Emergency Services District # 12 Board Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2024

Henderson County Courthouse Annex – Chandler

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM. All commissioners were present. Visitors: Robert York, Wes Johnston, Allyson Arnold, Cy Ditzler, Anthony Glass
- II. Minutes for the February meeting were approved after a change was made to state that the motion to purchase a new fire truck” failed due to a lack of a second”.
- III. Chief York told members that the new air field station was in place and the renovations for the new equipment room were nearing completion.
- IV. President Monk ‘s report included a brief summary of the Safe D Conference in Irving. All members who attended agreed that it was very beneficial. The next ESD meeting is April 15, 2024. Mr. Monk, Cody Seale, Chief York and Wes Johnston met prior to the board meeting to discuss inventory and future needs.
- V. Treasurer Danny Bristow presented the monthly report. Ending balance as of February 29 was \$410,219.98. Commissioner Cody Seale and Commissioner Nancy Bertholf moved and seconded the motion to accept the report. Motion passed. Expenses for commissioners attending the Safe D conference had been approved at a previous meeting and Commissioner Bristow is in the process of reimbursement.
- VI. Chief York presented the board with projected cost for an extractor (high velocity washer at estimated \$5000+), matching funds (Texas Forestry grant) for thermal energy batteries (\$2000) and dual search gear (\$12,000). Chief York was directed by the board to proceed with bids and grants and present invoices for payment at next meeting if possible. He presented operating expenses of \$13,369.00. Commissioner Bersano moved to reimburse CVFD, Commissioner Bristow seconded and the motion passed.
- VII. President Monk reminded members that there are still areas to be addressed in the future by the board including ESD policies, operating policies, and capital deployment. Commissioner Bertholf stated that the board needs to start a system for inventory. Wes Johnston suggested we continue with the inventory policy the CVFD has in place adding barcodes specific to ESD 12. Commissioner Bertholf added that a Strategic Plan could be used to address issues mentioned

as well as provide transparency. She has examples collected at the Safe D Conference.

- VIII. President Monk asked that members review policy for election of officers and recommended term limits. Commissioner Bertholf recommended that the duties of these officers be better defined. Mr. Monk announced that he would not be continuing as president of the board. Members shared their appreciation of the time he had devoted to establishing the board and understood the time constraints involved. Commissioner Bertholf moved to table any decisions until the next meeting. All members agreed to include election of officers on April's agenda.
- IX. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.