

**SOUTHWEST LEON COUNTY ESD #2
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MINUTES**

March 21, 2023

Commissioners in attendance: President, Hank Dembosky; Vice President, Skip Smith; and Treasurer, Tiffani McKinney; and Secretary, Claren Kotrla.
Absent: Janey Shannon

1. Hank Dembosky called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. Hank Dembosky led the Board in prayer.
3. Hank Dembosky led the Board in the pledges of allegiance.
4. Guests (2) in attendance are noted on the attached Sign-In Sheet.
5. Members to be heard: Sheri Guerra announced that the HTL VFD/EMS Annual Golf Tournament will be held on April 22, and the Crawfish boil on May 20.
6. (a) There were no bills or invoices for this month. The quarterly contract payment to the HTL VFD/EMS was discussed.
(b) The Financial reports for February and March were presented by Tiffani McKinney and were approved unanimously with a motion by Skip Smith and second by Claren Kotrla.
7. The HTLVFW/EMS February Activity Reports (attached) presented by Dennis Smith and Sherri Guerra showed 87 hours response activity and 22 hours in training (see handout). The HTL VFD/ EMS monthly performance measures reported are noted in the activity report (attached to these minutes) were:
 - 27 Transports
 - Avg. Response Time: 7 min. 05 sec.
 - Avg. Out-of-Chute Time: 00:01.57 min.
 - Fire Trainings: 22 hours
 - Volunteer Hours: 87 hoursThe HTLVFW/EMS February Financial Report (attached) was presented by Sheri Guerra. Upon review of the February VFD/EMS Financial and Activity Reports, the Board unanimously voted to accept the HTL VFD/EMS Financial and Activity Reports with motion by Tiffani McKinney and seconded by Claren Kotrla. The motion passed unanimously.
8. The commissioners discussed and took action as needed on the following items.
 - (a) Election expenses. No action because the data was not available.
 - (b) CD renewals. Treasurer McKinney reported decision to make no CD changes, Considered moving them, but postponed action due to concerns about banking industry issues.

(c) Sales Tax Update. After discussion of information presented by Hank Dembosky the following two motions were presented. (1) Motion for the Treasurer to have the authority to report income transaction accounts for sales tax revenue. The motion made by Hank Dembosky and seconded by Skip Smith was unanimously approved. (2) Motion to allow the treasurer to receive electronic paid up, and delinquent reports from the Comptroller of Public Accounts Office was made by Hank Dembosky and seconded by Tiffani McKinney. The motion was unanimously approved.

(d) Hank Dembosky is the ESD 2 representative on the EOC Communication Committee. Committee will present recommendation to Leon Co. Commissioners regarding upgrades to countywide communications for Law, Fire, EMS, and EOC.

(e) Skip Smith is the ESD2 Emergency Planning liaison. CERT meeting to be held.

(f) March HTL VFD/ESD/Security Board meeting was discussed. Reception for new chief (Steve Risk) and outgoing chief (Gary Hall) on 3/23.

9. Tiffani McKinney made a motion to accept the February meeting minutes. Hank Dembosky seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
10. Goals and activities for 2023 were discussed including political issues which were discussed at Safe D. Issues impacting local taxes, the solar project and policies were discussed. Community Safety is the over arching goal for ESD2. No action was needed.
11. Current industry news and training included a reminder for those attending the Safe D conference to turn in their training report. Credits for attending Safe D conference have been submitted. SAFE-D is monitoring proposed legislation that may impact the ESD.
12. Commissioners open forum was held. No announcements or discussion.
13. There were no public comments.
14. Next month's meeting will be on April 18, 2023 at 6:00 pm.
15. Motion to adjourn was made by Tiffani McKinney and seconded by Claren Kotrla. Motion passed unanimously at 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Claren Kotrla, Board Secretary.