

**EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #5, FIRE AND RESCUE
MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
ESD 5 FIRE & RESCUE CENTRAL STATION
1350 HOSPITAL BLVD, FLORESVILLE, TX 78114**

MEETING MINUTES

The following items were discussed to wit:

1. Meeting called to order.

D. Scee called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. Members present were D. Scee, C. Rocha, and D. Ortiz. R. Bippert and L. Arocha were absent. A quorum was present. Also present were District employees, District Fire Chief, District Auditor B. Trevino, and Attorney T. Caldwell.

2. Citizens Comments-None

3. Consent Agenda-

A. The board reviewed proposed minutes from the 02/21/23 meeting. D. Ortiz made the motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by C. Rocha. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0, motion carried.;

B. The District auditor gave the financial report for Jan and Feb. She stated that the District has received approximately 86% of the years projected ad valorem revenue. No action taken.

C. The board reviewed 8 invoices submitted for payment and 92 invoices and/or debit transactions presented for ratification. These spanned the months of Jan and Feb of 2023. After discussion, D. Ortiz made a motion, seconded by C. Rocha to approve the presented bills for payment. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0, motion carried.

4. Presentation and Discussion items:

A. The Fire Chief briefed the board on activities and calls for service for the preceding month (63). He updated the Board about fleet status and recent public relations activities and demonstrations. No action taken.;

B. The Fire Chief briefed the Board about the need for a new thermal camera and went over the two estimates he received. After discussion, C. Rocha made a motion, seconded by D. Ortiz to approve the expenditure of up to \$5,000.00 from the hand tools line item to purchase the requested equipment. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0, motion carried.

C. The Fire Chief updated the Board about the station quarters project in his command report. No action taken.

D. The Board and Fire Chief discussed possible financing options for improvements to the Canada Verde station. General Counsel informed the Board that the remaining piece of

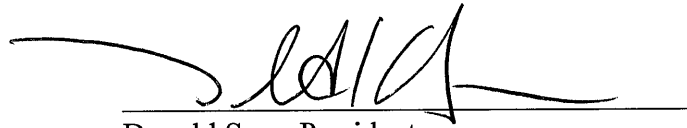
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property has been deeded to the District and recorded with the County Clerk. After discussion, D. Ortiz made a motion, seconded by C. Rocha, to table the item. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0 Motion carries.;

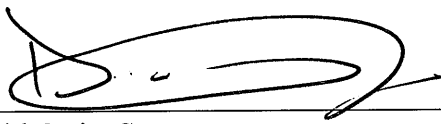
E. The Board discussed the status of public relations material that were previously authorized. General Counsel informed the Board that Touchstone will be in town on April 3 to give classes to ESDs 4 and 5 about how to legally and ethically engage in public relations. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0 Motion carries.;

F. The Board and Fire Chief discussed prospective growth in the next five years. The Chief's position was that we would need at least one other additional full time manned station by that time. They also discussed retention of personnel. No action taken.

Upon the completion of all listed business, D. Ortiz made the motion to adjourn and C. Rocha seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the vote passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.


Donald Scee, President

ATTEST:


David Ortiz, Secretary