

PC ESD #6
Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2023

CALL TO ORDER:

- Meeting called to order @ 6:36 PM by D. Tillman
- Members present: T. Lewelling, Scott Harrison, R. Dalton, T. Huffhines, D. Tillman
- Invocation by W. Couch
- Pledges of Allegiance recited.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. OFFICER'S REPORTS AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- D. Tillman handled money transfers and signed checks (WC and Building Loan)
- T. Lewelling paid 2 visits to SCFD to sign checks

2. ADMINSTRATIVE REPORT/SCFD: Chief Teague

- 80 calls in January – 24 fire, 36 EMS, 1 Hazardous condition, 8 Service calls, 6 good intent, 5 Special incident
- 1 big grass fire off of HWY 51 was the most significant call for the month (~60 acres)
- 30 acre grass fire off of Horseshoe Bend rd.
- No problems with stations
- 1 truck in the shop now – parts availability still an issue
 - Tank valve
 - Seat belt repair
 - Pump seal
- Just got Truck 44 back
 - 4 wheel brake change
 - 66K miles on it
- Avg. response time 9:51
- Tax collections are on point – YTD is 840K (~100K behind with penalties yet to be paid)
- Printed report of budget on file - some numbers there reflect payments in advance
 - Workers comp is pd. all at one time, Casualty and Auto insurance is pd. in December
 - Loan payment on truck @ Cresson is pd. in October
 - Looks like expenses are exceeding budget because they are ahead of collections
 - Workers comp (WC) will be paid soon – higher than used to be
 - Last year ESD6 got a 6K dividend from Texas Mutual that helped offset WC
 - Adjusted accident and illness policy because they adjusted the hours worked threshold for part time – was min 25 hr or less to be covered avoiding add'l premiums
- Discussions on ongoing relationship between ESD6 and LifeCare coming up this summer

3. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT – CRESSON: Chief Becker see email for details

- Total of 76 calls in January - record month is 90
- Breakdown of calls -PCESD6 = 17, City of Cresson 4, Johnson County 9 , Hood County 27, Tarrant – 19, 37 or 49% were EMS – (have increased from less than 1 a day to ~1.5 day
- Response time – 7:23 avg. – Computer generated times of 1:34 for turnout and 5:49 for travel
- Significant calls
 - 5TH wheel trailer fire
 - Cardiac arrest on Arreondo Way (Pyramid Acres) – retired Azle Police officer
 - Fatality wreck on 171 in Hood County
 - Training/prototype school – 2 day wildfire rural water supply course in the works
 - 11 minutes into the year a call for a structure fire was received – corner of house caught fire –very tall attic area that vented through w/ attic access from other end of house - hand lines weren't working so an old aerial truck was used with good result.

4. UPDATE ON STATUS OF MANPOWER / VOLUNTEERS

CRESSON: Chief Ron Becker

- Total roster of 75 (9 seniors, 9 on leave) - Responder total comes to 53 (5 juniors, 30 members and 18 on probation)
- 3 applications in process
- 20 Volunteers with ems certifications
- Dropped one off the roster due to failure to complete training in 12 months
- Running their own ECA class – 5 in it
- 3 in EMT class with one working towards Paramedic cert.

SPRING CREEK: G. Teague

- Roster of 36 as of 02/15
- 11 new people in process of training/orientation
- 3 people that have full time jobs elsewhere
- 1 going full-time at Stephenville
- Morale is improving

5. REVIEW AND/OR APPROVE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR DISTRICT

- Previously approved – no action

6. REVIEW AND SIGN FIRST FINANCIAL BANK DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT

- Collateral agreement goes with it – President signs and Secretary attests to signatory
- T. Huffhines motions to approve and execute both the bank repository and collateral security agreements with First Financial Bank – S. Harrison seconds the motion – all in favor.

7. APPROVE PCESD#6 TO PAY FOR PORTION OF CENTRALIZED DISPATCH CONSULTANT STUDY

- Now have cost numbers – ESD6 share would be ~1200.00
- County, Springtown, Willow Park and Hudson Oaks PD all signed on since first estimate
- Joint study on centralized system/facility for Dispatch – BOD, multi-agency structure
- Historically, all parties were not for this and that is all it takes – can be a good thing
- May not speed up response but it can help improve coordination vastly
- Study would simply define the best way to do a centralized structure

8. DISCUSS FIRE AND EMS TRAINING REIMBURSEMENT

- Conditions/Terms
 - Minimum continuous 6 month volunteer @ ESD6 in good standing
 - Minimum 4/12 hour shifts worked per month
 - Proof of payment provided to ESD6
 - 30% down paid by ESD6
 - Conditional 25% paid when trainee receives certification
 - Final 25% paid by ESD6 after 1 yr. of service @ ESD6 post certification
 - Maximum 80% paid by ESD6
 - Number of openings at the discretion of ESD6 budget & Chief – first come first serve, pe

9. HEAR VISITORS WHO HAVE INDICATED BY SIGNATURE THEIR DESIRE TO SPEAK FOR 5 MINUTES – No visitors

10. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

- Review Fire and EMS Training reimbursement costs

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION – UPDATE AND DISCUSS EMPLOYEE MATTERS SINCE LAST MEETING

12. ADJOURNMENT

- T. Lewelling motions to adjourn meeting at 7:59, S. Harrison seconds motion – all in favor