

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

HILL COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

AUGUST 17, 2023

1. Call to Order and establish quorum

This meeting is being recorded electronically, and a copy of the recording can be made available to anyone requesting such under the Public Information Act.

- The meeting was called to order at 5:44pm
- A quorum was established; all commissioners present

2. Invocation

3. Pledge to U.S. and Texas flags

4. Public Comments on non-agenda items

- There were no public comments

5. Consent Agenda: Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Pay Bills

- A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Kevin Bragg, seconded by Bob Stahl and the motion passed unanimously.

6. Receive monthly report from CareFlite

- Reports were presented by CareFlite personnel
- No action was taken, for informational purposes only

7. Receive monthly report from AEL

- Report was presented by AEL personnel
- No action was taken, for informational purposes only

8. Facilities Report - Discuss and consider taking action as necessary:

- Whitney – a quote for the parking area should be received soon
- Hubbard – a landing light was repaired
- Itasca – Hilco has been notified that the highline markers need to be replaced
- Hillsboro – Impact Fire has not been paid for the extinguishers and cabinets they provided. They were also denied payment from the payment bond. A motion to pay Impact Fire \$1,856.50 for fire extinguishers and cabinets was made by Jimmy Lehmann, seconded by Bob Stahl and the motion passed unanimously.
 - The contractor hired to complete the sign and porch covers has been paid a substantial amount of money, but the only work done is the framework for the sign. A motion to terminate the contract between Hill County ESD #2 and Affordable Hand Contractors was made by Alan Nisbet, seconded by Kevin Bragg and the motion passed unanimously.
 - Tad will write a letter to the contractor stating the contract has been terminated and the ESD #2 does expect money back for the portion paid and not completed.
- FM 67 Covington – no issues to report

- Abbott – no issues to report

9. Receive and discuss information regarding purchase of hand-held radios for FROs

- Doreen presented a list of VFDs and the estimated number of radios they would need. She requested ESD #2 purchase 50 radios at \$1,000/each and in January pay \$13,500 for ½ the yearly subscription fee for the radios.
- The board will discuss and make a decision at a later date.

10. Discuss and consider taking action regarding FY 2024 budget

- The budget is still being worked on; no action was taken.

11. Discuss and consider taking action regarding 2023 tax rate, including:

- a. Establishing proposed tax rate
The No New Revenue Rate is .03281
- b. Authorizing publication of “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” in the *Hillsboro Reporter*; and
- c. Acknowledging and approving posting of tax rate notice and “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” to home page of District website.
 - A motion to purpose the No New Revenue Rate of .03281, to also authorize publication of the Notice of Meeting on the Tax Rate in The Reporter, and to also acknowledge and approve posting the tax rate and Notice of Meeting on the districts website was made by Bob Stahl and seconded by Jimmy Lehmann. A roll vote was called, and each commissioner voted as stated below. The motion passed unanimously.
 1. Kevin Bragg – voted aye
 2. Jimmy Lehmann – voted aye
 3. Tad Duncan – voted aye
 4. Bob Stahl – voted aye
 5. Alan Nisbet – voted aye

12. Set date, location, and time of next meeting or workshops

- The next meeting is a workshop set for September 12th at 9:00am at the current location.
- The next regular meeting is September 21st at 5:30pm at the current location.

13. Adjourn

- 6:28pm

Dated this the 17th day of August, 2023.


Kevin Bragg, Secretary
Emergency Services District No. 2
Hill County, Texas