

Minutes of Called Meeting of 9-25-23

Ellis County Emergency Services District # 3

Vice-President Clay Sparks called the meeting to order. Board members present were John Allen, Joseph Barrett and Vicente Guerrero. Board President Albert Garcia, Jr. came late to the meeting. Also present was Fire Chief Jackie Cate.

Joseph Barrett gave the opening prayer-invocation.

There were no visitors comments.

Chief Cate shared handouts on the proposed 2023/2024 budget. Chief Cate explained how the proposed 2023/2024 budget compared to the 2022/2023 budget. After Board discussion of the proposed 2023/2024 budget, Joseph Barrett made the motion for the Board go into Executive Session. John Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

After adjournment of Executive Session, Joseph Barrett made the motion to increase line item 7021 salary/wages to \$18,540.00 which will reflect a 3% increase in salary for the Fire Chief. John Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Joseph Barrett made the motion to increase line item 7023 contract labor to \$4,800.00 which will reflect an increase in salary for the Bookkeeper. The Bookkeeper salary will be increased to \$400.00 per month. John Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Clay Sparks made the motion to increase line item 7052

professional fees to \$8,500.00. John Allen seconded the motion.
The motion passed.

Josephn Barrett made the motion to increase total ESD traing to
\$9,500.00. John Allen seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Clay Sparks made the motion to approve 2023/2024 Budget which
totals \$149,040.00. John Allen seconded the motion. The motion
passed.

Next meeting was scheduled for 10-10-23 at 6:00 PM.

John Allen made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Joseph
Barrett seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

Albert Garcia, Jr.	President
Vicente Guerrero	Secretary