

KAUFMAN COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #3
MINUTES FROM September 9, 2025

Present: Commissioners: David Wallace, BR Bourland, Denny Oats, and Tommy Brockway
Absent: Chuck Carpenter
Fire Departments: ASVFD, CMVFD, EVFD and TVFD

1. **Call meeting to order.** David Wallace declared a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Public comment on items not on the Agenda.** David Wallace read the statement about public comment on items not on the agenda. No public comment was presented.
3. **Public comment on Agenda items.** David Wallace read the statement about public comments on agenda items. No public comment was presented.

Administrative

4. **Review and consider approval of August 12, 2025 and August 21, 2025, meeting minutes.** Denny Oats moved to approve the minutes from the meeting on August 12, 2025. Tommy Brockway seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. BR Bourland moved to approve the minutes from August 21, 2025. Denny Oats seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Reports

5. **Receive monthly report from the Treasurer and consider:**
 - (a) **Approval of reimbursements;** BR Bourland moved to approve a reimbursement to Kristie Jones for mileage from October 1, 2024 and September 30, 2025 in the amount of \$726.60. Tommy Brockway seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - (b) **Approval of payment of monthly bills and invoices;** BR Bourland moved to approve payments of the bills, invoices, and contract payments including Ables Springs VFD \$90,587.50 (final 24-25 payment), College Mound VFD \$47,450.00 (final 24-25 payment), Elmo VFD \$122,500.00 (final 24-25 payment), Terrell VFD \$99,500.00 (final 24-25 payment), Carlton Law Firm \$774.00 (legal fees), Kaufman Central Appraisal District \$4,112.42 (quarterly payment), Akin Excavation \$4,500.00 (Elmo station renovation), Texas Emergency Services Retirement System \$6,600.00 (TVFD pension), and Kristie Jones \$1,200.00 (clerk salary). Denny Oats seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - (c) **Approval of monthly financial report;** The financial report was emailed to the Commissioners before the meeting. During the meeting the Commissioners were provided with copies of the bank statements. Kristie Jones provided a breakdown of the current budget and the amounts paid year to date for each item. The Pledge Security Listings from Texas Bank and Trust for August were provided to the Commissioners. BR Bourland moved to approve the financial report. Denny Oats seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. A question was asked about the Sales Tax balance. David Wallace stated the current balance is about 1.4 million, but the commissioners have no idea if the amount received in August was a one-time thing or if it will continue. He will let the commissioners know the amount for September as soon as he knows.

Service Agreements will not be provided to the departments until after the ESD receives the Certified Tax amount from the County.

6. **Receive monthly report from Ables Springs Volunteer Fire Department regarding financial matters, training, management activities, membership, emergency operations and out of station times, and call volume for fire/rescue calls and for EMS calls.** Ables Springs VFD reported 30 calls for the month of August. There were no missed calls. The calls included 4 Fires and 26 EMS Calls. Average response time was 6:39 minutes. Average number of personnel per incident 4.77. The turn-out time for the month was an average of 1:24 minutes. The VFD

received mutual aid on one call and provided mutual aid three times. Training for August included 6 hours of Fire Training.

7. **Receive monthly report from College Mound Volunteer Fire Department regarding financial matters, training, management activities, membership, emergency operations and out of station times, and call volume for fire/rescue calls and for EMS calls.** College Mound VFD responded to 57 calls during August. 31 of the 57 calls were in ESD 1 and 26 calls occurred in ESD 3. The calls in ESD 3 consisted of 1 Building Fire, 1 Road Freight Fire, 8 Medical Assist, 8 EMS calls, 4 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 2 Dispatched and cancelled, and 2 Citizen Complaints. Average number of personnel per incident was 2.5. Average response time in ESD 3 area was 8:50 minutes. Average turn-out time was 1:44. They currently have 25 members and 3 support services members.

Josh did let the commissioners know the mini rescue truck he had planned to purchase and was included on his budget for \$450,000-\$475,000 is not going to work. It is too small to carry all the equipment that would be necessary. Therefore, he is now looking at a larger truck (Pierce) that will cost \$630,000.00. He has information from Government Capital on financing. Once ordered the truck will take 13 months before they receive it. David asked questions about the renovations at their station ESD 1 is paying for. Currently, ESD 1 has spent \$200,000.00 and once that is complete they will start on renovations that include sleeping quarters on the opposite end of the station. He expects that to cost \$300,000.00. This item will be discussed at the October meeting.

8. **Receive monthly report from Elmo Volunteer Fire Department regarding financial matters, training, management activities, membership, emergency operations and out of station times, and call volume for fire/rescue calls and for EMS calls.** Elmo VFD reported 58 calls for the month of August. The calls consisted of 1 Building Fire, 1 Trash Fire, 1 Road Freight Fire, 1 Grass Fire, 2 Medical Assist, 25 EMS calls, 19 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 1 Service call, 1 Water problem, 1 Pubic Service, 1 Dispatched and cancelled, 3 False alarms, and 1 Smoke detector. They had no missed calls, provided mutual aid 2 times, and requested mutual aid 4 times. Average response time was 6:54 minutes. Average turn-out time was 1:15 minutes. Average number of personnel per incident was 3.3. This month training include structure fire reading smoke for new fire fighters and Rescue 1 service training. They currently have 28 members with 2 in paramedic school.

9. **Receive monthly report from Terrell Volunteer Fire Department regarding financial matters, training, management activities, membership, emergency operations and out of station times, and call volume for fire/rescue calls and for EMS calls.** During August, TVFD responded to 82 calls. 78 of the 82 were in ESD 3, 3 in the City of Terrell, and 1 in Rockwall County. The calls consisted of 1 Road Freight Fire, 2 Grass Fires, 1 Other EMS, 46 EMS calls, 9 Motor Vehicle Accidents, 2 Attempted Burning, 1 Person in Distress, 1 Public Service, 6 Dispatched and cancelled, 6 No Incident Found, 2 Authorized Controlled Burning, and 1 False alarm. They had no missed calls. Average turn-out time was 3:02. Average response time was 11:13 and average number of personnel was 2.9. They responded to 6 mutual aid calls and did not request mutual aid. They have 29 firefighting members. Total time spent on calls was 51:23:25 (H:M:S).

Discussion/Action Items

10. **Discuss and consider proposal for Elmo VFD retrofitting tanker to a blocker, Take action if necessary;** The leak in the tank has been repaired and the tanker is ready to be retrofitted with a message board and attenuator. Denny Oats moved to approve spending \$45,000.00 from the tax account to retrofit the Elmo tanker. BR Bourland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

11. **Discuss and consider progress on the station at Shadow Lakes, take action if necessary;** Elmo did not receive any turnkey proposals within the time limit. Randy Brumelow has individual bids for everything with Steve Angell acting as General Contractor. Currently, the total is \$654,860.00. Randy was asked if he had at least two bids for each item. He explained he had two on most but not everything. He does not have two on the electrical or concrete. He was asked about the thickness of the concrete being considered. Randy explained that the current bid is for 6 inch thick with 3/8 rebar and 20 (12 inch) piers. The commissioners discussed if the 6 inches was thick enough to support the weight. The board also discussed paying for an engineer to provide a study so they would know for sure how thick the concrete should be, the number, size, and depth of the piers. When asked about furniture and appliances so the station would be completely ready to use upon completion. Randy said he would like to have one price for the building

and then submit a second proposal for the furniture, appliances, etc. The board did not feel they could approve all the bids without knowing about the concrete. BR Bourland moved to have Denny Oats contact the engineering company he uses for them to provide a study and the ESD will pay for it. Tommy Brockway seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Randy asked the board if they would be willing to allow the metal building to be ordered from Meuller due to the 2-3 month time frame. The proposal from Meuller is \$70,111.00. Denny Oats moved to have the building ordered and pay the standard 25% deposit from the Sales Tax account. The motion was seconded by Tommy Brockway. The motion passed unanimously. Kristie Jones will write a check to Meuller for \$17,527.75 for David Wallace to pick up. This item will remain on the agenda.

There was a discussion about Terrell VFD and the expansion of the current station or another station. This item will be discussed in the future, once Terrell has a plan and knows what will work best for them.

12. **Discuss and consider the addition to the Elmo VFD station, take action if necessary;** Currently, there is nothing new on the renovation. The concrete is set to be poured on Wednesday, September 10, 2025.

13. **Discuss and consider additional flooring for Elmo VFD bay areas, take action as necessary;** Randy Brumbelow presented the commissioners with the proposal from Bar None Coatings LLC to have the bay areas covered in an epoxy mixture. The cost for the project is approximately \$23,000.00. Randy said if there are leftover materials they will be used on the flooring for the renovation instead of stained concrete. Denny Oats moved to approve the flooring for the bay area. The motion was seconded by BR Bourland. The motion passed unanimously.

14. **Discuss agenda items, time and date for next meeting; and** The next regular meeting will be October 14, 2025. Items to be discussed include the Pierce Fire Truck for College Mound, Shadow Lakes Station, Elmo renovation, and possibly the Service Agreements.

16. **Adjournment.** Tommy Brockway moved to adjourn at 8:56 PM. BR Bourland seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

By: Kristie Jones

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