# Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting Emergency Service District #3 Date: January 20, 20225

T. McCullough called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. A quorum was established with three commissioners (T. McCullough, Johnny Mitcham and Jennifer Miller) present. Shady Grove VFD Chief Jonathan Phillips and White Tail Ridge VFD Chief Robert Hoffman were present.

Guests: None

Invocation: T. McCullough delivered the invocation.

Pledges to the Flags: T. McCullough led the pledges to the flags.

Public Comments: None

### <u>Discussion and Approval of minutes of the October meeting.</u>

J. Miller moved the November and December minutes to be approved as written; T. McCullough seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

#### Monthly Financial Report for ESD#3.

Due to an issue with the bank account access no financial report was available.

- T. McCullough made a motion that Andrew Cook and Yvonne Goss be removed from the bank accounts at First State Bank of Jasper since both Andrew and Yvonne have resigned their positions as commissioners of ESD#3, Tyler County, Texas. Andrew Cook and Yvonne Goss also need to be removed from the Tax Assessor and the Post Office. Futher in the minutes different commissions will be voted to positions and motions will be made regarding replacing these individuals.
- J. Mitcham seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

<u>Equipment Needs and TFS Grants</u>. R. Hoffman stated there no equipment needs or TFS Grants at this time. J. Phillips reported that he had not equipment needs or TFS Grants at this time..

<u>Discussion and action regarding Commissioner Vacancy</u>. J. Mitchum and J. Phillips both stated that they did not have any updates on the people that they have been talking with.

<u>Discussion and action regarding any Changes to the Budget</u>. None.

<u>Discussion and action regarding election of officers</u>. T, McCullough made a motion to elect the following commissioners as officers for 2025:

President: Tamberly McCullough

Treasurer: Jennifer Miller
Secretary: Betty Zimmerman
Vice President: Johnny Mitcham

# T. McCullough made a motion that:

1. Jennifer Miller as Treasurer be given access to the bank accounts at First State Bank of Jasper, including access to all of on line banking.

- 2. Johnny Mitcham be added to the bank accounts at First State Bank of Jasper. Signors on these accounts should be Tamberly McCullough, Betty Zimmerman, Jennifer Miller and Johnny Mitcham.
- 3. Andrew Cook and Yvonne Goss are to be removed from the accounts at First State Bank Jasper.
- 4. Yvonne Goss and Andrew Cook are to be removed from access to P.O. Box 331, Woodville Texas and Jennifer Miller and Tamberly McCullough should have access.
- 5. Yvonne Goss and Andrew Cook should be removed from ESD#3 Tax Assessor Account.

<u>Discussion and action regarding Annual Report to TDEM:</u> Motion was made by T. McCullough to approve sending the annual report to TDEM. J. Miller seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Report on Status of work on White Tail Ridge Fire House. J. Phillips gave an update on progress on the Fire House at White Tail Ridge. He said the road base was remove and put aside and then the current foundation was removed, upon removal it was found that there was a second foundation under the first and it also had to be removed. After both were removed and the area was leveled they were able to put the truck in and close the door. When the weather warms up they will pour the new concrete.

## Fire Department Reports

### White Tail Ridge VFD:

- R. Hoffman reported no call outs
- R. Hoffman presented expenses totaling \$896.81.
- T. McCullough moved that the expenses for the WTR VFD be reimbursed, J. Miller seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

It was brought to the attention on the board that the assembly room at White Tail Ridge is in a condition that needs to be addressed in the next few months. The siding on the exterior walls is deteriorated (it is T-111 siding) and needs to be replaced before damage is done to the interior. The roof also needs to be replaced. The assembly room is approximately 30 X 40 feet and at this time the inside has not been affected. Before anything could be done there is an issue with the fact that the building is part of lawsuit. The lawsuit is years old and it would have to be remove from a part of that lawsuit before anything could be done.

### Shady Grove VFD:

- J. Phillips reported no call outs.
- J. Phillips presented expenses totaling \$1,370.29. \$939.80 of this amount was for 4 new tires for the green brush truck. It was determined that the tires that were replaced were 11 years old.
- J. Phillips gave report on land that has been obtained on FM 256 where the future Shady Grove VFD will be located. He indicated that they have removed most of the trees that needed to be removed and he hopes in the very near future to rent a dozer and clear the place for the pad. His preliminary estimate for the cost of the slab and building is \$200,000. His is looking it ways

to raise funds for at least part of the cost. He hopes to have the area for the pad cleared by the time their next fund raiser is scheduled which is February 22, 2025.

- J. Miller moved that the expenses for Shady Grove VFD be reimbursed, T. McCullough seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.
- J. Miller moved the meeting to adjourn; T. McCullough seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Minutes prepared and submitted for approval by: Tamberly McCullough for <u>Betty Zimmerman</u>, <u>Secretary ESD#3</u>