**Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting**

**Emergency Service District #3**

**Date: June 19, 2023**

J. Miller called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. A quorum was established with five commissioners (Andrew Cook, Yvonne Goss, Tamberly McCullough, Jennifer Miller and Betty Zimmerman) present. Shady Grove VFD Chief Jonathan Phillips and White Tail Ridge VFD Chief Robert Hoffman were present.

B. Zimmerman gave the invocation. J. Miller led the pledges to the flags.

Public Comments: None

Discussion and Approval of minutes of the May 2023 Meetings

T. McCullough moved the May minutes be approved as written, A. Cook seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Monthly Financial Report for ESD#3

Y. Goss presented the financial report. As of May 31, 2023, the balance in the operating account was $32,271.55. The balance of the Gardner account was $1,286.48. The reserve account balance was $15,707.50 for a combined total of $49,265.53.

B. Zimmerman moved that $1000 be moved from the operating account to the reserve account, T. McCullough seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Y. Goss reported that she and A. Cook will be developing the 2024 Budget. She expects to receive tax revenue estimates in July.

Equipment Needs and TFS Grants

J. Phillips reported that Dam B, Chester, Fred, Woodville and Spurger VFDs each has an eDispatch system. The Shady Grove and White Tail Ridge VFDs, as well as Ivanhoe and Warren VFDs, use Spurger’s eDispatch machine, which is sometimes unavailable. He requested that his First Net contract be expanded to include a hot spot. J. Phillips will explore options for installing an eDispatch machine, which requires an Internet connection, in the Shady Grove Fire Station. B. Zimmerman moved that J. Phillips’ First Net contract be expanded to include a hot spot device; Y. Goss seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

For 2024 Budget considerations, the Fire Chiefs will research costs for bunker gear, having all trucks fully serviced, a water well at the White Tail Ridge Fire Station, tires, and a Cascade air system.

Discussion and action regarding Training:

B. Zimmerman reported that Ken Jobe stated that ESD Commissioner training will be conducted in Hardin County during the third quarter. He did not know the cost or the hours.

Discussion and action regarding Insurance Policy:

Y. Goss is still researching alternative insurance providers.

Fire Department Reports-

White Tail Ridge VFD:

* R. Hoffman reported no callouts.
* R. Hoffman presented expenses totaling $387.18, which includes approximately $200 for painting the newly acquired Humvee military truck. J. Miller moved that the expenses be reimbursed, B. Zimmerman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. (R. Hoffman added that he still needs to acquire the skid unit, which may take up to nine months. The cost of the skid unit will be covered by the TA&M Forest Service grant.)

Shady Grove VFD:

* J. Phillips reported no callouts.
  + He added that WTR VFD will be onsite for the Country Church’s July 9 Fire Works display.
* J. Phillips presented invoices totaling $120.43. B. Zimmerman moved that the expenses be reimbursed, T. McCullough seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

B. Zimmerman moved the meeting adjourn; T. McCullough seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Minutes prepared and submitted for approval by: Betty Zimmerman, Secretary ESD#3