LIMESTONE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 28, 2025

A quorum was present, and Commissioner Potts called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Commissioners present: Dwayne Ready, Chuck Radney, Doug Potts, John Beall, and Mindy Warren

Public Attendance: Adam Collett, Earnie Solis, Sherry Solis, Scott Warren, Kelly Witten, and J. Griffin.

Invocation: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and prayer offered by Commissioner Beall.

Citizen Comments: None.

Presentation and approval of minutes – Commissioner Radney moved to accept and approve the minutes from the prior regular meeting held September 16, 2025. Commissioner Beall seconded the motion. Commissioner Radney also moved to accept and approve the minutes from the prior public hearing held September 16, 2025. Commissioner Ready seconded the motion. There being no discussion, both motions PASSED unanimously.

Presentation of ESD Treasurer's Report – Commissioner Beall previously distributed the year-end balance sheet. The ending checking account amount represents about 4 and ½ months of reserve. He stated the amount in savings is earmarked for capital expenditures, and that we spent roughly 25 thousand on tower equipment in addition to roughly \$8,100 for radios and a few other items. Commissioner Beall then stated everything looks pretty stable on the balance sheets and briefly covered several items in the September financials. He then stated that the claw back amount has started regarding funds that should not have been credited to our account. He said that WLLVFD funding requests were for renewal for computer software and other items, and he provided a brief overview of the estimate v. actual budget sheet that was previously provided to the Commissioners. Lastly, Commissioner Beall stated that all Commissioners should receive a request from the auditors to provide information. Commissioner Radney moved to accept and approve the report. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Warren. There being no discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

WLLVFD Chief's Presentation and Reports – Adam Collett filled in for the Chief Moore and stated the FD had 11 calls in September and briefly discussed them. He then provided information regarding response times for EMS and Fire calls and provided information on the average response time. Mr. Collett stated WLLVFD responded to two fire calls and nine EMS calls. He provided brief explanations of the circumstances for each category and provided the average number of personnel per call. He then provided an update on training for the month.

- <u>Update on tanker throttle malfunction</u> – Mr. Collett described the problems being experienced with the tanker and what is being done to get it inspected and repaired. J. Griffin added that the inspection was delayed due to higher priorities by the crew designated to look at the Tanker. No action taken.

<u>Update on foaming agent bulk container disposal</u> – This item is still pending.
 No action taken.

Presentation of the WLLVFD Monthly Reports:

<u>To include Incident, Training, Apparatus-Use, and Mobile Equipment Reports</u> – See Mr. Collett's remarks above. No action taken

Report on external funding efforts and grant opportunities (Forest Service backlog funding) – Sherry Solis stated there was nothing to report at this time. No action taken.

Presentation of the WLLVFD Treasurer's Report

<u>To include funding (reimbursement) requests and other VFD funding issues</u> – Mrs. Sherry Solis stated Citizens Bank is now Cadence Bank, but the account numbers are the same. She then provided information about the planned paint party and Banquet. Afterwards, Mrs. Solis provided an update on recent funding requests made of ESD2. She sated the gas figure was up because of increase brush fires. No action taken.

ESD Agenda Items:

- A. <u>Update on October 8, 2025 Special Meeting</u> Commissioner Potts stated attendance failed to reach a quorum and that the meeting was held in a workshop format with the WLLVFD where proposals were presented for discussion. No action taken.
- B. <u>Discuss/take action on ESD#2 Commissioner participation at Safe-D conference</u>

 <u>2026</u> Commissioner Potts stated registration will open up in November. Commissioners

 Ready, Radney, Warren, Beall, and Potts all agreed its worth attending to fulfill training
 requirements and to better understanding the overall functions of the various ESDs.

 Commissioner Ready motioned to approve attendance at the conference for any ESD2

 Commissioner who wishes to attend. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Radney and approved unanimously.
- C. <u>Update/discuss status of VFD-ESD workgroup for EMS strategic planning</u> Commissioner Potts stated he sent out a document of current capabilities in light of the lack of an FRO. He said the group will continue to meet on a quarterly basis. Commissioner Potts also said that Chief Moore informed him there might be a state-wide FRO that we might be able to participate in for a reasonable cost. Commissioner Potts is looking for more information and will present additional information to the board. No action taken.
- D. <u>Update/discuss status of VFD-ESD Facilities workgroup strategic planning</u> Commissioner Potts stated the group met and put proposals together for board discussion and/or action. No action taken.
- E. <u>Update/Discuss status of joint ESD-VFD contract review team</u> Commissioner Warren stated she forwarded John's comments and will combine the collective changes once she hears back from all commissioners. No action taken.

- F. <u>Discuss Commissioners Warren, Ready, and Radney intent to seek re-election</u> Commissioner Potts asked if the identified Commissioners were willing to serve another term. All Commissioners agreed they would serve again. No action taken.
 - G. Discuss/take action on Strategic Plan capital expenditures:
 - Discuss/approve spending for Priority 1Y Facility items identified by 1. **joint workgroup** – Commissioner Potts briefly discussed the facilities priorities identified by the workgroup. He then talked about how the group narrowed that list down to what can be done in the next year based on the highest priorities. Commissioner Beall said now is a good time to address other matters like facilities since the new Engine purchase is completed. Commissioner Beall recommended that the board look at all capital expenditures impacting the next budget rather than approving issue by issue. In that regard, Commissioner Potts utilized the dry erase board to catalogue the various facilities, tools, mobile radios, and apparatus procurement recommendation. Commissioner Beall made a motion to approve up to 35K for the facilities priorities. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Warren. During discussion, John expressed concern about the ability to reach all the priorities under the motioned amount of funds. Commissioner Potts stated monthly updates will be available via the monthly reports and workgroup reporting. The motion was approved unanimously.
 - 2. **Discuss/approve spending to procure Hurst extraction equipment** Commissioner Beall motioned to purchase the E2 series with the ram option. Commissioner Warren seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
 - 3. **Discuss/approve spending to procure/install two Mobile radios (not handheld)** Commissioner Warren motioned to approve two mobile apparatus radios as quoted in the material provided to the board. That motion was seconded by Commissioner Ready and approved unanimously.
 - 4. **Discuss/approve action to procure next apparatus (Pumper/Tanker)** Commissioner Potts stated he will continue to research information on the next apparatus and present additional information for board consideration in future meetings. No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Commissioner Ready moved to adjourn. Commissioner Radney seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Next Regular meeting November 18, 2025 at 7PM