

Ellis County Emergency Services District #3

Minutes of Meeting 12/11/2025



- 1) Attending were commissioners Joseph Barrett, Clay Sparks, John Allen, and Adam Lennon; admin assistant Sherry McBride; and fire chief Jackie Cate; commissioner Robert Russ was absent.
- 2) Joseph opened regularly scheduled monthly meeting in prayer.
- 3) Visitor comments – none
- 4) Review of Nov 2025 meeting minutes. After noted typo correction of meeting date from 12/10 to 12/11, Clay made motion to accept, John seconded, and motion passed.
- 5) Financial reports review – End of Nov account statement balances: Money Market #1 \$226,151.25, Money Market #2 \$251,246.13, and Checking \$22,162.23. Incoming revenue was \$33,273.00. Decision had been made to give \$50 bill to 17 firefighters tonight so Joseph and John withdrew \$850 from checking today 12/11 to do so. John made motion to accept reports, Clay seconded, and motion passed.
- 6) Fire chief reports – 16 calls in Nov. Jackie had learned that we could have a display engine from Spartan here at our next meeting to take a look at. Such fully furnished engines can be obtained in as little as 6 months for price between \$900K to \$1 million. After final outfitting, price probably would be around the \$1 million mark. Making decision to get 5 air packs before Jan 1st in order to get discount before price increase. Commented that Wildlife advised to send our new brush truck chassis to them this month and they will get started on it.
- 7) Election of officers for 2026 - John made motion, Clay seconded to keep officers as current year. Vote was positive with one objection. So, 2026 officers are Joseph – President, Clay – Vice President, John – Secretary, Adam – treasurer, and Robert – Asst treasurer.
- 8) Board member comments – John – commented that his term expires at end of month and asked if the group would like him to renew. Opinion was affirmative. Clay's term was expiring as well and he was also renewing for another term. Adam – As follow up to last month's inquiry about possibility of new housing developments that would impact fire service, he had contacted John Speers who remarked that he was not planning new developments right away.
- 9) Next months meeting to be on 1/12.
- 10) Clay made motion to adjourn meeting. John seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned to attend annual Italy VFD Christmas dinner.

Joseph Barrett President
John Allen Secretary

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