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EAST LAKE LIMESTONE FIRE DEPARTMENT MINUTES

**Meeting Date: April 15, 2025**

**Call to Order: 6:00 pm**

**Pledge and Prayer**

**Attendees: Brenda Bonin, Sue Poole, Mary Hunckler, Vicki Balazik-Cowles, Pat Bonin, Ray Young, Steve Rogers\***

**ESD: Binkley Simmons**

**Absent: Harold Ladd**

**Public Attendees: None**

**Previous Minutes: Accepted by Sue second by Mary, All in Favor**

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**President Report:** Teresa

* Teresa needs to get articles of Incorporation and update Tax Exempt Form. We should be a 501c3 and not a corporation. Need clarification.
* Theresa to call the state to verify our Tax ID number.
* Teresa requested a list of bills that we pay that is not REIMBURSED by ESD.

**Fire Chief Report**: Pat

* 15-Medicals, 4-Grass Fire, 3-MVA, 2-Other (tree limbs) = 24 Missions for **March**

**VP Report**: Sue

* Accidental insurance beneficiaries – completed and in files.
* Vehicle Titles – still in ELLVFD name. Completed. Binkley to receive reissued titles in mail.
* Workers Comp – based on man hours x 25. They come up with an annual salary and we should be keeping track of man hours. Brenda keeps up with man hours and this should include the meetings/trainings. This included events too. Sue is now keeping man hours.

**Treasury Report**: Brenda

* Savings: $63,173.35
* $16,344.04 in checking once moved over from Farmers.
* Checking: $28,222.73 TOOK 10K AND MOVED TO COMMUNITY in March. Will move June 15K, July 15K into CD’s
* Debit Card: $2,767.01 FSB
* $5,004.79, $6,478.80, At Community
* Farmers account is still open and won’t release check until Brenda appears in person.
* Brenda trying to return Key Code for the QuickBooks that is about to be obsolete.
* Treasurer Computer has been received and QuickBooks has been ordered and won’t be in production until May, per Brenda.

**Secretary Report**: Vicki

* Steve Rogers resigned on 4/15/25. Vicki to post acknowledgement on FB and send email from Fire Dept Board.
* We will update signs this weekend. Fish Fry May 10, Community Luncheon June 19th
* Vicki to update equipment on website. VFD to get new pictures and write-up for website.
* Email group and text groups have been created for luncheon notifications.

**Old Business**:

* *Home magnets with the ELLVFD information – on hold*
* *Mailers – Sue asked for the community database from ESD. We can send out postcards to the community. ABC printing is an all-in-one shop. They will stamp and mail. – on hold*
* *Fire Department needs to update By-Laws. – on hold*
* *Looking at a Maintenance Plan for vehicles to begin this year. Currently talking with Harold because he has the mechanical credentials to maintain our older vehicles. We want to have documentation of maintenance and repairs. On-hold*
* *Procurement position: looking at creating a separate position for purchasing. On hold for now.*
* ESD- New source of revenue from ESD Steve H. We can bill the insurance company for traffic control, personnel or equipment when responding to MVAs. Pat talked to Sheriff’s dept and they refuse to give out the information. If ESD wants to collect it, they may give it to them. Hand off to James. DPS will release reports to ESD only. JAMES AT ESD to get on Agenda.
* ESD/Fire Agreement. Modifications sent back to ESD 12/23/2024. Reminded Tom on 1/28/24. James to get this on the agenda before meeting with ESD.
* Fire Dept to Create priority spending list for ESD for 2025.
* Make sure agenda includes firefighter gear.
* Truck 2600 has air leak. Harold will evaluate and advise. Still working on it.

**New Business:**

* \*Steve Rogers resigned 4/15/25
* CPR/AED Classes in Limestone County – set for Sunday, May 18, 2:00 pm
* Easter at Fire Dept will be Saturday, April 19th
* Fish Fry – May 10th / 3-7pm. Approved spend for fish fry. Mary proposed, Pat second, all in favor.
* Generator repaired per Tom. It is now working.
* Overhead Door – issue with motor repair. Brenda will tell them to come out when they call to schedule.
* New Water well is to be drilled in May.
* Wireless tower install. Not completed.

**Motion to Adjourn**: Motion to adjourn by Vicki and second by Pat at 7:16 pm. All in Favor.