

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

JUNE 20, 2023

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 2 Commissioners was held on June 20, 2023, at the New Mountain Fire Station, 9871 State Hwy. 155N, Ore City, Texas 75683.

- 1) **Open meeting.** The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Gaston DeBerry, III.
- 2) **Call to order.** Gaston DeBerry, III called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Gaston DeBerry, III.
- 3) **Determine quorum present.** Gaston DeBerry, III determined a quorum with Tommie Whitaker and Trevor Larrington being present. Gregg Price and Kenny Hankins were absent.
- 4) **Read and approve minutes from the Regular meeting held May 16, 2023.** Motion was made by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Trevor Larrington to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 5) **Public comment.** Gaston DeBerry, III commended the departments in their actions during the most recent storm outage by delivering water and food and being of service to the people in the communities.
- 6) **Update regarding Christus EMS area.** No action. Place this item on the next agenda.
- 7) **Discuss and take action regarding Board liability insurance.** No action.
- 8) **Discuss and take action on mutual aid contract with Judson VFD.** No action. Place this matter on next month agenda.
- 9) **Pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of May, 2023.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Trevor Larrington to pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of May, 2023 in the amount of \$900.00. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 10) **Pay bills for the Upshur County ESD #2 as submitted and approved.** Motion by Trevor Larrington with a second by Tommie Whitaker to pay the following bills as submitted and approved. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

Terri Ross (May Bookkeeping/Clerical) \$ 500.00
Upshur County Tax Assessor-Collector \$1,166.00

- 11) **Pay the 3rd quarterly payment to the Upshur County Appraisal District.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker and second by Trevor Larrington to pay the Upshur County Appraisal District in the amount of \$2,594.71 as the third quarterly installment. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 12) **Pay the City of Ore City the amount of \$8,250.00 as the monthly installment as set out in the Contract for Fire Fighting Services.** Motion by Trevor Larrington and second by Tommie Whitaker to pay the City of Ore City in the amount of \$8,250.00. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 13) **Pay Diana VFD the amount of \$10,375.00 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval.** Dwayne Leach presented three invoices from Screaming Eagle Diesel, LLC, Northcrete Services, LLC, and Bobcat Communications and Technologies, Inc. in the total amount of \$31,090.75 and requested to be paid in addition to the regular monthly budget allotment. Motion by Tommie Whitaker and second by Trevor Larrington to pay Diana VFD the amount of \$10,375.00 as their monthly budget allotment plus the additional \$31,090.75 as requested. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 14) **Pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$3,687.50 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Trevor Larrington to pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$3,687.50 as their monthly budget allotment. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 15) **Discuss and take action on budget amendments.** None.
- 16) **Items to be considered for next month's agenda.** Items #6, #7, and #8 above.
- 17) **Adjournment.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Trevor Larrington to adjourn. Motion carried 3-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Presiding Officer Signature
Title: President

Date: 8-15-23