

## UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

AUGUST 15, 2023

7:00 P.M.

### MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 2 Commissioners was held on August 15, 2023, at the Ore City Fire Station, 102 S. Dogwood, Ore City, Texas 75683.

- 1) **Open meeting.** The meeting was opened 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, Gregg Price, Trevor Larrington, and Kenny Hankins being present.
- 4) **Read and approve minutes from the meetings held July 18, 2023 and August 14, 2023.** Motion was made by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2023 meeting as read. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Minutes of the August 14, 2023 meeting were not ready for approval.
- 5) **Public comment.** Ray Hubbard, Sales Executive with VFIS, was present and introduced himself to the Board.
- 6) **Update regarding Christus EMS area.** No action. Place this item on the next agenda.
- 7) **Discuss and take action regarding the nomination of a Director to the Board of Directors for the Upshur County Appraisal District.** No action. Place this item on the next agenda.
- 8) **Discuss 2023-2024 Budget.** Gaston DeBerry, III presented the Proposed 2023-2024 Budget to the Board (See attached) and discussed how he arrived at the calculations. The public hearing to adopt the budget and set the tax rate is set for September 5, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Diana Fire Station #2, 14940 State Hwy. 154E, Diana, Texas.
- 9) **Pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of July, 2023.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of July, 2023 in the amount of \$900.00. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

10) Pay bills for the Upshur County ESD #2 as submitted and approved. Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Gregg Price to pay the following bills as submitted and approved. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

Terri Ross (July Bookkeeping/Clerical)	\$ 500.00
Terri Ross (Reimbursement office supplies)	\$ 14.27

11) 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 Kenny Hankins and second by Gregg Price to pay the City of Ore City in the amount of \$8,250.00. Motion carried 3-0 with Gaston DeBerry, III and Tommie Whitaker abstaining.


12) Pay Diana VFD the amount of \$10,375.00 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval. Motion by Trevor Larrington and second by Gregg Price to pay Diana VFD the amount of \$10,375.00 as their monthly budget allotment. Motion carried 4-0 with Kenny Hankins abstaining.

13) Pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$3,687.50 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval. Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$3,687.50 as their monthly budget allotment. Motion carried 4-0 with Trevor Larrington abstaining. Unanimous vote in favor.

14) Discuss and take action on budget amendments. None.

15) Items to be considered for next month's agenda. Items #6, #7, and Judson Metro contract.

16) Adjournment. Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

  
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Presiding Officer Signature  
Title: President

Date: 9-19-77

8/15/2023

UPSHUR COUNTY ESD # 2

PROPOSED BUDGET

2023-2024

ESD # 2 BOARD EXPENCES

SAFE D DUES		275	
APPRAISAL DISTRIC		13,750	
BOOK KEEPING & CLERICAL		7200	
TAX COLLECTION		2000	
POSTAGE		200	
PO BOX RENT		60	
BOARD BOND INSURANCE		2500	
BOARD INSURANCE		15,265	
OFFICE SUPPLIES		700	
TAX ADDS		750	
LEGAL SERVICES		1500	
DISPATCHING SERVICES		10,800	
E DISPATCH		13,500	
PHONE LINE FOR E DISPATCH		2000	
WEB SITE		1500	
RADIO MAINTENCE & REPAIRS		2500	
REPEATER		40,000	
AUDIT		3500	
RADIO INSURANCE		2000	
	SUB TOTAL	120,000	120,000

ESD # 2 DEPARTMENT EXPENCE

	22-23	23-24	
DIANA VFD	249,000	292,000	292,000
ORE CITY VFD	99,000	112,000	112,000
NEW MT VFD	88500	99,000	99,000
211,000			
-99,000			
-88,500			
23,500			
	TOTAL BUDGET EXPENCE		623,000

ESD 2 VALVE 637,067.00 X 98 % =	624,325
2023-2024 BUDGET	623,000
BUDGET SURPLUS	1,325

CALCULATIONS

BOARD BUDGET 120,000 < 2 = 60,000

DIANA AREA VALVE

360,000 X 98% = 352,000 - 60,000 = 292,000

ORE CITY NEW MT AREA VALVE

277,000 X 98% = 271,000 - 60,000 = 211,000