

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

MAY 21, 2024

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 2 Commissioners was held on May 21, 2024, at the Ore City Fire Station, 102 S. Dogwood, 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, Kenny Hankins, Gregg Price, and Rita Criswell being present.
- 4) **Public comment.** Matt Burnett announced the ETCOG Regional Exercise
- 5) **Read and approve minutes from the meeting held April 22, 2024.** Motion was made by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to approve the minutes of the meeting held April 22, 2024 as written. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 6) **Update on installation of new repeater and take action if needed.** Gaston DeBerry, III reported that he had spoken with Leo of Inter-County and gave him a list of the Ore City frequencies. He further announced that Leo will need the type and model number of the radios to be programmed. No action.
- 7) **Discuss and take action on getting E-Dispatch installed.** No action.
- 8) **Discuss and take action on update to district boundary lines of ESD #1 and ESD #2.** The Board reviewed the map of the school district boundary lines and the proposed map prepared by ETCOG. No action.
- 9) **Pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of April, 2024 in the amount of \$900.00.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Rita Criswell to pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of April, 2024 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.

City of Gilmer (April dispatching)	\$ 900.00
Terri Ross (April Bookkeeping/Clerical)	\$ 600.00
SAFE-D (Annual dues)	\$ 275.00

- 11) **Pay the City of Ore City the amount of \$9,333.33 as the monthly installment as set out in the Contract for Fire Fighting Services.** Motion by Kenny Hankins and second by Rita Criswell to pay the City of Ore City in the amount of \$9,333.33 as the monthly installment for the 23-24 fiscal year. Motion carried 3-0 with Gaston DeBerry, III and Tommie Whitaker abstaining.
- 12) **Pay Diana VFD the amount of \$12,166.66 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Rita Criswell to pay Diana VFD in the amount of \$12,166.66 as their monthly budget allotment for the 23-24 fiscal year. Motion carried 4-0 with Kenny Hankins abstaining.
- 13) **Pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$4,125.00 as their monthly budget allotment and any other expenses presented for approval.** Motion by Tommie Whitaker with a second by Kenny Hankins to pay New Mountain VFD the amount of \$4,125.00 as their monthly budget allotment for the 23-24 fiscal year. Motion carried 4-0 with Rita Criswell abstaining.
- 14) **Discuss and take action on budget amendments.** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Tommie Whitaker to move \$300.00 from retained earnings to SAFE-D dues line item. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 15) **Items to be considered for next month's agenda.** Discuss and take action on radio programming and system; Discuss and take action on ESD #2 mapping
- 16) **Adjournment.** Motion by Kenny Hankins with a second by Rita Criswell to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Unanimous vote in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



Presiding Officer Signature
Title: President

Date: 6-18-24