

REGULAR MEETING Minutes
HOUSTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2
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Notice is hereby given in compliance with Section 555.041 of the Texas Government Code that the **Houston County Emergency Services District No. 2** will meet in a **Regular Monthly Meeting** on **Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** at the **Houston County Emergency Service Center** located at **600 Bradshaw St., Crockett, Texas 75835.**

1. Call to order and establish a quorum. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Pres. William Money and Commissioners Ken Lair, Steve Hawkins, and Greg Brooks were present. Todd Stone was absent.
2. Recognition and Welcome - The following members were present:

Bob VanVoast- Latexo
Paul Blaylock – Latexo
Nealy Cook-Porter Springs
Linda McKeon – Belott
Dennis Taylor- Weldon
Keith Skinner – Ratcliff
Heath Murff- HCFMO
Jason Frizzell- Crockett
Miguel Benavidas-Ratcliff
Michael Sessions- Lovelady
Ross VanDine – Pennington
Billy Allbright – Austonio
Mike Burran – Weches
Ronny Allen-Safe Ind.
Justin Kellum-Belott

3. Public Comment:
4. Approval of Past Meeting Minutes
Greg made motion to accept reports and pay bills
5. Correspondence received: Houston Co. Appraisal Dist., Houston County Tax Assessor-
Received Truth in Taxation Package
Received proposed budget from appraisal district
6. Report from treasurer:
 - a) Current financial status including account balances.
 - b) Monthly Budget Report
 - c) Approve account payables ----- Per Treasurer
 - d) Budget Amendments –
Motion to accept and pay bills was approved by Greg

7. Received reports from ESD auditor on ESD audits
 - Overall audits were good
 - Lovelady carrying high bank balance
 - Weeches carrying high bank balance
 - Porter Springs is good
 - Ratcliff overspent by \$13,000 due to changing banks, but all is fixed now

8. Update on radio repeaters
 - No update

9. Discuss with departments issues with response master
 - 2025 NERIS will start with no current info available

10. Update on Crockett truck purchase and reimbursement
 - Received check from Forest Service for \$90,000 reimbursement

11. Updates on Weches truck
 - none

12. Discuss Kennard contract and go over proposed contract received from ESD lawyer Ken Campbell
 - Looked over by board and make a few small changes ourselves going to present to Kennard City Council ASAP

13. Discuss Lovelady new station
 - No update

14. Discuss bids on Ratcliff office to finish interior
 - Received one bid, ask the department to get at least one more bid

15. Discuss septic system for Ratcliff
 - No action until building is complete

16. To accept/reject bids for Ratcliff for cab and chassis truck
 - Received 5 bids, accepted bid from Center Motor Company for \$67,765.15 which was the low bid
 - Motion by Steve to accept bid passed

17. Update on Latexo's ATV
 - Still being built

18. Discuss and approve is necessary getting ESD loan for purchase for Ratcliff new truck and Weldon's UTV

Approved getting loan for Weldon Brush Fire Vehicle and if needed Ratcliff's truck
Motion by Greg passed

19. Items missed for agenda

20. Reports from VFD Chiefs on current status regarding their VFD's

- a) New Truck Update
 - b) Equipment Repairs -
 - c) Activity Reports –
 - d) Profit/Loss Reports –
 - e) Grant Application –
- Received reports and everything is in order

21. Set Next Regular Meeting

July 25, 2024

22. Adjourn at 7:44pm

Prepared By: William Money