

Regular Meeting Notice

Houston County Emergency Services District NO. 2

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Notice is hereby given 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 29, 2023, 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 6:03 p.m. by Pres. William Money and Commissioners Todd Stone, Ken Lair, and Steve Hawkins were present.
2. Recognition and welcome. The following members were present:

Bob VanVoast- Latexo VFD

Paul Blaylock- Latexo VFD

Dennis Taylor-Weldon VFD

Heath Murf-FM/EMC

Nealy Cook- Porter Springs VFD

Ross Van Dine- Pennington VFD

Jason Frizzell- Crockett FD

Justin Kellum- Belott VFD

Bobby Fenell- Austonio VFD

Michael Sessions- Lovelady VFD

Mike -Weches

Kieth -Ratcliff

Don Parrish – Kennard

Jessie Stevens- Mayor Kennard

\_\_\_\_\_ -City Council member Kennard

3. Public Comment- There was none.
4. Approval of past minutes. Motion by: Ken Lair 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Hawkins Motion passed to accept minutes as read.
5. Report from treasurer-
  - a. Current financial status including account balances.
  - b. Monthly Budget Report
  - c. Approve account payables.
  - d. Budget amendments-

Ken Lair reported that the Ratcliff account is off the treasurer's report, that the Building cash account is showing up but has been moved on the report. The motion was made by Steve Hawkins and seconded by Todd Stone to pay the Crockett rescue 21,408.74 on June 30, 2023 to Prosperity Bank. Motion Carried.

6. Correspondence received: Houston Co. Appraisal Dist., Houston County Tax Assessor  
None was reported.
7. Update on radio repeaters and discuss Lovelady's not working. Heath Murf reported that the biggest problem with the radios and repeaters was that they all needed to be double checked and programmed correctly. There are some radios working in different places but, not in others and he feels that the programming is the problem.
8. Update on Crockett truck purchase.  
Jason Frizzell reported that he was waiting on a signature and then it would be 45 days
9. Update of Ratcliff truck repairs. They are waiting on a lift pump in the tank to complete the repair.
10. Update on the Austonio truck repairs. Michael Sessions reported that the truck is working.
11. Discussed ESD correspondence with our lawyer Ken Campbell about Kennard contracts. ESD board met with the Mayor of Kennard, one city Council member, and the fire chief about a possible contract between the City of Kennard and ESD2 for assistance with their funding. There was some discussion and expectations discussed and that we would revisit the matter latter.
12. Update on Weldon truck repairs. Dennis reported that the truck was fixed and working.
13. Discuss possibly buying Weches a new grass truck. ESD2 is trying to get them a new grass truck and would start the search for a 1 ton ext. cab or double cab, gasoline, and that the skid unit would be used off another truck and that they could rig it out.
14. Discuss any updates from board members about getting financing from different banks.  
Ken Lair and William Money reported that loan rates were as follows: Lovelady – 6.25%, Community Bank – 6.25%, and Prosperity Bank-6%. After some discussion, Main motion was made to borrow 150,000 and to reimburse our contingency fund from the Bank with the best loan rate. Motion by Ken Lair, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Todd Stone- Motion carried.
15. EOC building update. No report at this time.
16. Reports from VFD Chiefs on current status regarding their VFD's
  - a. New truck update- none
  - b. Equipment repairs- Latexo had Ed. Class and broke a tool used and had to send one back to be fixed.
  - c. Activity reports- Greg Brooks reported that some were still not able to get in and presented a printed copy of activity reports that had been submitted.
  - d. Profit/Loss Reports-none

- e. Grant Application- Lovelady has received PPE Grant, reimbursement, Skid unit reimbursement.
- 17. Discuss and vote on ESD2 position on joining with other county tax districts in requestion a review on the Houston County appraisal district budget. After some discussion and explanation the motion was made by Steve Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Lair to support a review of the appraisal district. Motion passed.
- 18. Set Next regular meeting- July 20, 2023, at 6:00 pm
- 19. Adjourn
  - a. Motion made by Steve Hawkins and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ken Lair . Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

I hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting of the Houston County Emergency Service District No. 2 was posted at the Houston County Emergency Service Center, 600 Bradshaw St., Crockett Tx and on the webpage at: [houstoncountyesd2.com](http://houstoncountyesd2.com) on or before Date 72 hours before the meeting, June 29, 2023. By 4:00 pm.

Prepared by: Todd Stone