### GONZALES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

### P.O. Box 1821, Gonzales, TX 78629

# **Meeting Minutes**

Minutes of the March 27, 2024 meeting.

Commissioners Present: Brian Schauer, Jason Whiddon, John Lamprecht and John Everett.

- Meeting was called to order by President Schauer.
- Quorum was established.
- Under public comment, the County Fire Marshal discussed the upcoming concert series advised that all preparations have been made and they are expecting over six thousand people a day to attend from the ticket sales at this time.
- Motion was made by Jason Whiddon seconded by John Lamprecht to approve the minutes from the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- Motion was made by John Lamprecht seconded by Jason Whiddon to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Lamprecht and Commissioner Whiddon discussed an out standing invoice that needed to be paid. Motion was made by Jason Whiddon seconded by John Lamprecht to approve payment for the invoices. Motion passed unanimously.
- Under item seven Waelder issues, Bobby White and Donny Grauke advised Waelders new engine was in service and they also discussed items they needed to replace to go on the old engine. Bobby advised as soon as the tender is back from repairs at Siddons, they would need to send the older engine for repairs.
- Item eight, Chief Mendez advised the next Smiley city council meeting was April 17<sup>th</sup>. Chief Mendez advised he is currently working with the city of Smiley on a few issues and would know more next month.
- Item nine, The Nixon City Manager, Mr. Becker discussed the Nixon fire station and wanted to know if the Fire Departments audits should be run though with the city's audits or should the department have its on financial audit. Mr. Becker also had some questions on insurance and how the best way to insure. Discussed fire apparatus and how they should be titled with some of them belonging to the city or the fire department.
- Item ten, Discussion with the County Fire Marshal and Commissioners on County Fire code and discussions on adopting a fire code for the county. The County Fire Marshal advised we have a few companies coming in to the county with potentially dangerous plants and manufacturing that needs to be discussed.
- Motion was made by Jason Whiddon seconded by John Lamprecht to renew the ESD's membership with SAFE-D, Motion passed unanimously.
- Item twelve was tabled to next meeting awaiting further information from Jason Torres and Belinda Richter.
- Item 13 Funding, After some discussion from Commissioners on funding, Motion was made by Jason Whiddon seconded by John Lamprecht to fund the Fire departments with one million dollars from the general operating fund at the normal percentages except for Waelder fire and Smiley Fire. Gonzales FD would receive fifty thousand dollars from Waelders funding for

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automatic aid for the last year of responding to all of Waelders calls. Smiley FD funding would be held until a meeting with the Smiley mayor and Chief Mendez could be conducted. Funding amounts are below.

- Gonzales Fire, 426,400.00 Gonzales Fire, 50,000.00 from Waelders funding, Nixon Fire, 166,700.00 Waelder Fire, 74,900.00 Belmont Fire, 104,600.00 Ottine Fire, 51,600.00 Motion passed unanimously.
- Item fourteen, Motion was made by Jason Whiddon seconded by John Lamprecht to move Belmont's old engine to surplus and approved for sale or auction. The motion passed unanimously.
- With no further business, Jason Whiddon made the motion seconded by John Everett to adjourn.
  The motion passed unanimously.

Attested;

Brian Schauer, President

Approved this the  $24^{-1}$  day of 100 100

Jason Forres, Secretary