



Hardin County Emergency Services District No. 2

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Minutes of the Meeting of June 16, 2022

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:30AM by President Fritz Erbelding. Roll call showed present Commissioners Evans, O'Blanc, Erbelding and Tumbleson. Absent was Commissioner Ernie Koch and Attorney Kate Leverett. Opening prayer was said by Chief McNeel. Pledges were said to the US and Texas flag.
2. **Public Comments-** None
3. **Reports:**
 - a. **Fire & EMS Auxiliary-** Linda Priest stated that no meetings have been held in a long while. Discussion was had on several issues; it was advised to place this matter on next month's agenda when additional information can be presented for further discussion.
 - b. **Fire Chief's Report:**
 - No burn ban at this time, however caution has been advised.
 - Report on the recent woods fire down Keith Road with a critical patient found on the scene; received help from LMUD employees at the scene; communication was an issue, 800 radios from a recent grant should help.
 - Safety issues were discussed regarding the building being open and the ease of people walking into the building.
 - c. **ESD Comments or Reports-** None at this time
4. **Consent Agenda Items-**
 - a. **Treasurer's Report**
 - b. **Payments of Accounts Payable**
 - c. **Approval of the last meetings minutes**

Commissioner O'Blanc stated that the Inspection and Clearing accounts needed a few corrections and will not be approved at this time. Commissioner Tumbleson made a motion to accept the minutes and the payments of the accounts payable as presented. Commissioner Tumbleson 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

5. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the selling of the 2019 14-foot lowboy with the diesel portable generator attached-** Pendleton Harbor Volunteer Fire Department in Hemphill Texas, has expressed interest in the lowboy trailer with the attached generator (deemed surplus equipment in a previous HCESD2 meeting). Commissioner Tumbleson made a motion to accept \$2500 from the Pendleton Harbor VFD. Commissioner Erbedling 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
6. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the water bill from the North Station-** Commissioner Erbedling stated there is an issued with two bills each month from Lumberton MUD; Chief McNeel will visit with Robb Starr at LMUD regarding this issue and report back to the Board at the next meeting. No action taken.
7. **Deliberation, update and/or action to approve to use The John Carlton Law Firm regarding the Truth in Taxation budget and tax rate.** Commissioner Erbedling made a motion to use the John Carlton Law firm this year to handle the Truth in Taxation budget and Tax Rate. Commissioner Tumbleson 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
8. **Items for the next agenda of the meeting:**
 - Fire & EMS Auxiliary Issues
 - Treasurers Report from last month
 - North Station water bill issues
9. **Executive Session** – none
10. **Adjournment-** Commissioner Tumbleson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner O’Blanc 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Secretary Ernie Koch