

Kaufman County Emergency Service District #6
Minutes
Meeting November 16, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm. Dana Curry, Mack Duncan, Micky Rouvaldt, Robert Schlebach, and Ed Wilson were in attendance. Chief Briggs, Forney Fire Department and Vivian Themer, ESD Administrative Assistant were in attendance. Motion was made by Robert Schlebach and seconded by Mack Duncan to approve the October minutes. All approved. The financial report was reviewed. Micky Rouvaldt made a motion to approve, second by Robert Schlebach, all approved. Bills were reviewed and paid.

The Board reviewed the information regarding Sales Tax Election and the marketing process to begin in January. After consideration of the information, Micky Rouvaldt made a motion to move forward with the necessary steps to begin the election process, seconded by Robert Schlebach, all approved. The ESD Administrative Assistant will contact the ESD Attorney and Kaufman County to provide steps to begin the process.

Re-Appointments of Mack Duncan, Micky Rouvaldt, and Robert Schlebach will be provided to Kaufman County Judge. Motion was made by Dana Curry and seconded by Ed Wilson to make the reappointments to the board.

The Board reviewed the current ESD Insurance Policy and discussed the need to increase the coverage. Additional information will be gathered for City Hall regarding the coverage of ESD vehicles and equipment owned by the ESD. In the past, the City of Forney covered all the vehicles. More information will be provided and adjustments will be made as deemed necessary.

Dana Curry provided the name of a financial advisor who works with ESDs as their specialty. ESD Administrative Assistant will contact them to schedule a Workshop in January 2023.

Land acquisition update for ESD fire stations was discussed. Chief Briggs shared again of the recommendations provided by the consulting firm to provide the highest level of ISO rating and service. The areas are in proximity to Valley View, Travis Ranch, University, and Talty on the Southside. Mr. Wilson and Mrs. Curry will be meeting with a potential partner regarding land. The City of Talty will need to be included in future discussions as they are not part of the ESD and also pay fire service to the City of Forney. The board wants to continue collaboration with all parties involved to provide high quality protection.

Fire maintenance and hydrants were discussed. Backflow testing reports from Talty Water are needed to provide for ISO certification and rating requirements. The information needs to also provide a map of all the hydrants and they are inspected annually. Micky Rouvaldt and ESD Administrative Assistant will contact Talty Water for additional information.

Chief Briggs shared with the board update for the temporary housing for the firefighters at the Windy Lane Station. The map of the site plan was provided for Talty Water to approve. A letter will be provided to the City of Forney stating Talty Water and the ESD were provided information regarding the building site. Target completion date to be in February 2023. Testing of new firemen/women will be taking place for new hires. An RFP will be going out for ambulance service in the new year.

Next meeting will be December 21, 2022 at 7:30 PM

As there was no other business, Robert Schlebach made a motion to adjourn and Mack Duncan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:49 PM.

President: 

Secretary: 