

Nueces County Emergency Services District #3
Regular Meeting held on August 4, 2022
Fire Station 1, 1000 East 1st Street
Bishop, Texas 78343

1. Call to Order-Establish a Quorum

- a) President Gary Eulenfeld called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. There were three members present – Gary Eulenfeld, Barry Fuhrken, Mike Benton and so a quorum was present to conduct business. Carl Hill and Russell Jungmann were unable to make this meeting due to prior commitments.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to Flag

3. Introduction of Board Members and Member of the Audience

- a) There were no new audience members present for this meeting.

4. Open Forum

- a) There were no Open Forum items at this meeting.

1) Approve Minutes

- a) There were no minutes presented at this meeting, they will be reviewed and approved at the next regular meeting.

2) There was no Fire Chief's report due to Fire Chief being absent due to illness.

3) Subcommittee Reports

- a) There was nothing to report in the subcommittee reports.

5. Old Business

- a) Discuss the possibility of purchasing the station 2 property to build new station, act as necessary
 - i) Gary reported that SolkaNavaTerno had sent a proposal not to exceed \$5000.00 for conducting a feasibility study on the property. The proposal was reviewed. Barry made a motion to accept the proposal, seconded by Mike. Motion carried.
 - ii) Gary will contact Jay Porterfield with SolkaNavaTerno to proceed with the feasibility study.

b) Review revised Tax setting Calendar

- i) Barry explained that due to items discovered while calculating the tax rate, the proposed Tax setting calendar discussed during the last meeting would need to be revised. He explained that due to the need to possibly use the deminimus tax rate, the public hearing and vote on the tax rate would need to be held prior to August 29, 2022. The revised calendar was presented to the Board and accepted.

6. Conduct any business necessary for proper functioning of the E.S.D.

- a) Presentation from Mr. Wayne Grant for veterans and possibly donating West Side Building to this non-profit organization- table and remove from agenda until additional research can be conducted.

- b) Review and approve as necessary proposed budget for 2022-2023
 - i) Barry presented a revised proposed budget that reflected additional revenues due to revised values. The revised budget was discussed and adopted by majority vote of commissioners in attendance at meeting.
 - c) Discuss 2022-2023 Tax rate, take vote to approve proposed rate and set public hearing date
 - i) Barry presented the Tax Rate Calculation sheets to Commissioners present at the meeting. The different rates were :
 - No-new-revenue tax rate (tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue from the same properties in both the 2021 and 2022 tax year)- \$0.094792 per \$100,
 - Voter-approval tax rate (highest tax rate that district may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate, unless the de minimis rate exceeds the voter-approval rate)- \$0.098383 per \$100,
 - De Minimis rate (the rate equal to the sum of the no-new-tax maintenance and operations rate for the district that will raise \$500000 and the current debt rate for the district)- \$0.149299 per \$100.
 - Proposed Tax rate- \$0.10000 per \$100. This is the same tax rate as the district had during the 2021 tax year.
 - ii) Barry Fuhrken made a motion to select the proposed tax rate of \$0.10000 per \$100 valuation for the tax rate for Nueces County ESD #3 for the year 2022-2023. Mike Benton seconded the motion. A voice vote followed with Barry Fuhrken voting aye, Mike Benton voting aye, and Gary Eulenfeld voting aye. Carl Hill and Russell Jungmann were absent. There were no dissenting votes so motion carried.
 - iii) Barry Fuhrken made a motion to schedule the public hearing on the proposed tax rate on August 25, 2022, at 6:00 pm to be held at the Nueces County ESD #3 Station 1 Administration Building conference room. Mike Benton seconded the motion and motion carried.
 - iv) Barry Fuhrken will notify Krista Champine, Finance officer with the Nueces County Tax Assessors Office of the results of the vote and time of public hearing so that she can prepare the Public Hearing notice. This notice will be published in the Corpus Christi Caller and displayed on the district's website.
7. Financial Statements
- a) Act on reviewing and approving payment of current bills-
 - i) Barry presented the current bills for review and approval. Gary made a motion to approve the current bills and Mike seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - b) Act on reviewing and approving credit card expense reports and statements-There were no credit card expense reports submitted for approval at this meeting.
 - c) Act on transfer of funds between accounts.
 - i) Barry made a motion to transfer \$60,000 from money market account to checking. Mike Benton seconded the motion and motion carried.
8. Executive Session-
- a) President Gary Eulenfeld called for executive session at 6:50 pm.
 - b) Executive session was ended at 6:59 pm.

c) Mike Benton made a motion to allow President Gary Eulenfeld to contact interested person about buying the property located at South US Highway 77 that we had previously purchased with the intent to build a fire station. Barry Fuhrken seconded the motion. Motion passed. Gary will report back to the Board at next month's meeting.

9. Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Minutes submitted by Barry Fuhrken



President

Vice – President



Secretary



Treasurer

Commissioner

