

GRIMES COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

May 18, 2023

1. President Akers called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm at Fire Station #1
 - a. Commissioners present: Tim Akers, Bob Leiper, and Kyle Braswell
2. Invocation given by Leiper.
3. Recognition of citizens: None
4. Open forum: None
5. Minutes of the April meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve with corrections by Leiper with second by Braswell. Motion approved 3-0.
6. The Treasurer reported that the ESD had a balance of \$229,564.68 on the bank account statement as of 4/30/2023 with \$9,604.00 in outstanding checks yielding a reconciled account balance of \$219,960.68. Motion to approve reports by Braswell with second by Akers. Motion carried 3-0.
7. The IVFD presented their April financial statements and answered questions from the ESD. All entries were found to be in very good order. The ESD appreciates the work done to improve the financial reports.
8. The IVFD reported that membership is at 12 including 7 active responders, 1 on medical, 1 on probation, and 3 associates. One of the associates may be interested in becoming a responder. The department had 7 calls in April. The department started a truck inspection on Tuesdays after the business meeting, and it is working very well identifying needed equipment repairs and upgrades. Fire training is July 23-28. One member plans to attend, and one member will be a guest instructor. The forcible entry training prop is working very well. The IVFD will build other training props for search and rescue and other firefighting tasks. Construction will start next week on the ESD office at station 1 and then move to the work at station 2. The extractor arrived and will be installed the end of the month. The department will be ordering new gear bags for everyone at about \$700 total. The IVFD sold the old black truck and a couple hose reels

at auction. They will deposit the check in their account and then write a check to the ESD for the amount. They will also write a \$5000 check to the ESD as reimbursement from the grant for the extractor. The Grimes County Firefighters Association has been dissolved, and the IVFD will receive about \$2000 from that action.

9. The IVFD presented a proposal to donate their old radios the lola school. Motion to approve by Leiper with second by Akers. Motion carried 3-0. The IVFD evaluated 2 different sets of bunker gear and decided to add a couple features not in their current sets. The price of the current sets increased about \$300 from last year to \$3125.50. The additional features will add to the price, and they will get quotes next week. After reviewing their wildland tools, the IVFD determined that new tools were needed and that the same tools need to be on each booster truck. They received a quote of \$3008 from Fire USA and \$3306.97 from Siddons. The higher quote includes a few more items. They requested the ESD fund the \$3008 tools from Fire USA, and they will purchase the additional needed tools using IVFD funds. Motion by Leiper for the ESD to fund the \$3008 tools purchase and second by Akers. Motion carried 3-0.
10. The ESD assigned Leiper and Braswell to work with the IVFD to review and update the ESD contract with the IVFD.
11. The ESD treasurer presented the monthly \$2500 IVFD payment for approval. Motion to approve by Akers and second by Braswell. Motion carried 3-0.
12. Motion to adjourn at 7:45 by Akers and second by Braswell. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyle Braswell

Vice President, Grimes County ESD #1