

**LIBERTY COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 3
8704 FM 1409
DAYTON, TX 77535
August 13, 2020 @ 7:00p.m.**

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
 - a) Roll Call and Establish Quorum
 - b) Pledge
- 2. Community Comments**
- 3. Consent Agenda**
 - a) Minutes from July 20th meeting and Emergency Meeting for A.C.
 - b) Treasures Report
- 4. Chief's Report**
- 5. Old Business**
 - a) Status of Highwater Rescue Truck (Utility 881)
 - b) Status of Lights for Rescue 881
 - c) Status of Laptop for Jeff LeBlanc
 - d) Status of Bunker Gear
 - e) Status of Website
 - f) Status of Turbo on Engine 881
 - g) Status of A/C Change out quotes and Results
 - h) Status of New Contract
- 6. New Business**
 - a) Discuss and Take Action on Receipts from F.D
 - b) Discuss and Take Action on Skid Unit for Utility 881
 - c) Discuss and Take Action on Charges Against WLCVFD Talked about with Attorneys
 - d) Discuss and Take Action to Amend Budget for \$20,000 for Legal Fees
 - e) Discuss and Take Action on Lawn Service
 - f) Discuss and Take Action on Payments to F.D \$8,674.20 for Wrap on Utility 881 and Emergency Lighting on Both trucks and Monthly Payment of \$2,500.00
- 7. Motion to Adjourn**

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By: _____

President

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Monthly Meeting
08/13/2020
Liberty County ESD 3

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM

Jeff LeBlanc asked for three minutes before we began. Denny affirmed.

Roll Call – Jeff LeBlanc, Bob Johns, Len Jones, Lin Pruitt, and Denny Loonam present and quorum is established
Pledge.

Public Comment - Nick Nelson speaks o item 6E on the agenda.

Discuss & take action on lawn service. Nick explained they are doing a horrible job.

Reading for the minutes

Jeff LeBlanc read the minutes. Correction needed from last emergency meeting notes. Denny Loonam did not vote on AC repairs. He abstained. Len asked if the minutes could be shortened. Jeff LeBlanc stated he did not want to cut details due to website posting and public information, but he would work on spacing. Len Jones motions to accept the minutes. Bob Johns seconded. Passed without objection.

Treasurer report – Len Jones read the report.

Beginning Bal. \$24,256.95

Deposits \$2711.85

Cleared debits & checks \$19,063.62

Uncleared items \$571.00

Reconciled Net Balance \$7,334.18

Building fund balance - \$34,498.08

Sales Tax Account balance \$28,765.51

Total all accounts \$70,597.77

Jeff LeBlanc asked if we could put the sales tax on the report. Len stated that when he does it throws the spreadsheet off with hashtags. Bob Johns motions to accept the report, Jeff LeBlanc seconds. Motions passes unanimously.

Chief's Report read by Caleb Anderson.

First there was a question about receipts. Caleb & Len discussed the fact that Len's book was getting full, they would just give monthly bank statements, and receipts were given to Jeff LeBlanc to put in the minutes book for inspection.

The turbo was done on the engine. The Fire Gear is 3 weeks out. All the lights on the rescue are done. The duce is about 75% finished. There will be a live burn in two weeks with 321. Likely done on the 29th. Brest cancer shorts are out. 50% goes to Texas women's. Aprox 20 calls this month. (no motion to accept- no action taken)

Old Business:

Both items A & B were covered in the chief's report.

Discussion of the laptop for Jeff LeBlanc. There has still been no laptop bought. Denny said he has the paperwork for which one he needs to get and will be getting it at Office Depot. Lin Pruitt said she would be in Baytown tomorrow anyway, she could get it. Delegated to Lin Pruitt by Denny.

Item D was covered already.

Item E – status of website. Jeff LeBlanc showed how the website was moving along. He explained he needed the tax information and the site was ready to go. Discussion was had over what how to get the remaining tax and budget information he needed. Len stated he would give the numbers to Jeff. No action taken.

Item F is complete and has already been discussed

Item G - AC Repairs is done

Item H – Discussion of contract continues

New Business-

Item A was discussed during the Chief's Report

Item B – Discussion of skid unit – Denny explained there was one 300 gallons, in Liberty for \$2,500.00. It is in excellent condition. It would have to be modified to be used on Utility 881. Discussion was had over the possibility of paying \$2,500 to the owner and a tax write off for an additional bill of sale of \$2,500. Len Jones objected as this action was likely illegal (The additional bill of sale for write off) Jeff LeBlanc agreed. Lin Pruitt stated she felt this was a good deal for the equipment, but now is not the time to spend more money with what has been spent recently on other items. Jeff LeBlanc motioned to table; Lin Pruitt seconded. Passed unopposed.

Item C – discussion was had about proceeding with the lawsuit against WLCVFD as no response had been received on ESD 3 equipment still in their possession. Caleb Anderson mentioned the ESD 3 VFD had released the rest of its retainer they had left towards the ESD for our issues. Len Jones questioned the value of what we will get back would be versus the possible \$20,000 in legal fees. (Item D). Jeff LeBlanc stated he had questions about what legal advice was given by council and could we go into executive session to discuss that. Denny said yes. Bob Johns seconds. No objections. Meeting called out of order 7:48 PM, for executive session.

Executive session ended 8:05 PM. Meeting called back to order 8:07.

Jeff LeBlanc motions to proceed with legal action. Bob Johns seconds – Passes No objection

Jeff LeBlanc motions that was approve up to \$3000 to move forward with the attorney. Bob Johns seconds . Passes without objection

Jeff LeBlanc motions to amend the current budget to include possible \$20K in legal fees. Bob Johns seconds . Passes without objection

Len discusses the possibility of purchasing a zero turn motor as well as a weedeater and having the fire department keep the lawn. Len motions to table to a better time to purchase. Jeff LeBlanc seconds. No objection.

Discussion to pay invoices for the wrap and the other items owed to the Fire Department. Denny motions to pay department money owed plus their regular \$2,500.00. Jeff LeBlanc seconds. Passes without objection.

Motion to adjourn – Bob Johns / Seconded Lin Pruitt – 8:18 PM