

November 4, 2024

The Rusk County Emergency Services District #1 met on this date at 6:04 p.m. for a Special Called Meeting and a workshop with Board President David Burks presiding. Board Members present were Brian Bathke, James Dukes and Gloria Dooley. Board Members absent were Wayne Griffith. The meeting was opened with a prayer from Chief Jeremy Bozeman followed by the pledge to the American flag.

Under Old Business the first item was to possibly approve adding a cover for the parking area beside the storage building and the Board agreed to add this item to the renovation work being done at this time. The next item was to consider and possibly approve dirt work on the north side and back of the property. We had received two prices – a quote from Brushwackers of \$13,500.00 and from Jeff Harmon of \$4,500.00. After a discussion on the wet weather we were having, a motion to table the item for at least 90 days was made by Board Member Gloria Dooley, and duly seconded by Board Member Brian Bathke. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The next item under Old Business was to consider and possibly approve concrete bids for the Laneville VFD. After opening and reviewing all bids, a motion was made by Board Member Brian Bathke, and duly seconded by Board Member David Burks, to accept the bid from 4S Enterprises. The motion passed with a unanimous vote, with Board Member Jiffy Dukes abstaining.

The next item under Old Business was to consider and possibly approve the purchase of a radio charger bank at a cost of \$887.80 for the ESD building. After a brief discussion that this wasn't a conditioner, a motion to approve was made by Board Member Jiffy Dukes, and duly seconded by Board Member Brian Bathke. The motion passed with a unanimous vote of the Board.

The last item under Old Business was to consider and possibly approve Capital Expenditure items. After a brief discussion it was decided to leave as currently listed in the budget. No action taken.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting was made by Board Member Gloria Dooley, and duly seconded by Board Member Jiffy Dukes. The Special Called meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Board President David Burks then opened the vehicle workshop at 6:34 p.m. The Board reviewed the current District Vehicle inventory and called on departments to present any requests for purchases in 2025. New Salem VFD, Laneville VFD, and New London VFD all reported that they had applied for TFS grants for tenders and were currently on the "wait" list. The Rusk County Rescue Unit made a request for a 3/4T or 1T extended cab, 4x4,

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pickup for use to haul boat trailers, etc. and use as a responder truck with a heavy duty bumper and winch. Reklaw VFD requested a new brush truck for their department. Final decisions on 2025 purchases will be made at the November regular business meeting.

Under Public Comments, New Salem VFD reported that they had the plans for a new station and would be ready to go out for bids in the next 60 days or so; Eastside VFD reported that they expected delivery on their new truck in March or April of 2025.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Board Member Brian Bathke, and duly seconded by Board Member Jiffy Dukes. On a unanimous vote of the Board, the workshop was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Secretary

President