

Caldwell County Emergency Services District #3
Board of Commissioners Meeting
MINUTES
August 22, 2019

Board Meeting held at the Martindale Volunteer Fire Department located at:
111 Lockhart Street, Martindale, TX 78655

1. **Call meeting to order** – 6:32pm
2. **Roll call of Board Members** – Members present – Ross Purcell, David Murdoch, Bill Hamilton, Mark Villalobos
3. **Establish a Quorum** – Quorum present
4. **Discussion / Action item – Review and approve expenses**
5. **Discussion / Action item – ESD Draft Budget** for FY 2019-2020 Reviewed
6. **Discussion / Action item** – The need for a Service Contract with MVFD for FY 2019-2020 was discussed
7. **Discussion / Action item – Set Property Tax Rate** – Motion made by Ross Purcell to set an effective property tax rate of 0.0875/\$100 value – 2nd by Bill Hamilton - PASSED 4-0
8. **Discussion / Action item – Sales Tax Election Paperwork** – Sample wording of the ballot from the County Elections Office was shared with the group. There will need to be a signed contract with Caldwell County Election Office, Bill Hamilton will send out a copy of the contract for Commissioners to review. Bill Hamilton reported that the Caldwell County Commissioners Court accepted the ESDs resolution to call for a Sales Tax Election
9. **Discussion / Action item – Water Tower Antenna update** – Radio patches are still needed – all equipment has been installed and tests have gone well
10. **Discussion / Action item –Hazard Mitigation Plan Action Submissions Update** – David Murdoch reported that the submissions were made on time to H2O Partners
11. **Discussion / Action item – County Hazard Mitigation Plan Volunteer Hours** Submitted by Commissioners
12. **Discussion / Action item – USDA Loan Application August 2, 2019 Meeting Update** – Bill Hamilton reported that the USDAs reaction to our inquiries regarding the loan were positive. He recommended that we start by getting an architect working on the project. Bill will reach out to Judy Langford for recommendations and procurement procedures
13. **Announcements:** (No action or in depth discussions – Events or items of general interest)
David Murdoch shared with the group information on the State Flood Plan being developed and suggested that it might be a good source of funding in 2020
14. Set next meeting time and date – **Thursday 9-12-19 – 6:30pm**
15. **Adjournment** – 7:25pm – Motion to Adjourn – Bill Hamilton, 2nd – David Murdoch - PASSED 4-0