

Burnet County ESD #3 Meeting Minutes-Corrected
Thursday, May 13, 2021, Starting at 2:00 PM
Granite Shoals Fire Department
8410 West RR 1431, Granite Shoals, TX

1. *Call to Order:* President Steve Tatom called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.
2. *Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America*
3. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas State Flag:* "Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible." The pledges to the flags were recited.
4. *Statement regarding the presence of a Quorum of Commissioners:* Mr. Tatom stated that with three commissioners present a quorum existed to conduct District business. Present were Mr. Tatom, Mr. Bucky Brady and Ms. Joanne Hanifan.
5. *Recognition of Guests:* Mr. Tatom recognized the presence of Pct. 1 Commissioner Jim Luther and Chief Austin Stanphill of the Granite Shoals Fire Department.
6. *Ask for Citizen's comment and input. No action, including discussion or deliberation, will be undertaken at this time:* No comments were made.
7. *Discussion with Pct. 1 County Commissioner Jim Luther:* Comm. Luther indicated that things were busy in the County. He has been in contact with several people who have expressed interest on serving on a County board. The County is starting to work on next year's budget. Some questions have been raised as to the \$5000 the County has available to VFDs and Comm. Luther indicated that the money is available for certain things. Any invoices need to go through the Commissioner's Court. The County is still paying for the radios. Several large subdivisions have sold out in weekend sale events. Comm. Luther noted that a water study is done prior to subdivision development. There has been a slow down in construction as the cost of materials has gone up impacting the size of houses being proposed. Comm. Luther noted that they are almost finished with the repair work caused by the February freeze event. There have not been many new cases of COVID-19 in the County. Scott & White have reduced their vaccination site of one day. Chief Stanphill noted that with the construction and preparation of the subdivision on Lookout Mountain there has been an increase in the number of accidents at the intersection. Comm. Luther noted that there was not a lot of right of way space in the area for adding turning lanes. He did note that TxDOT has been looking at reducing the speed limit in the area. He suggested contacting Katy Kratz or Joe Muck at TxDOT with any concerns or issues. Mr. Brady noted that the sharp turn on CR 120 just about the intersection with RR 1431 is not wide enough when the large trucks are making that turn and a north bound vehicle is trying to use the road. Comm. Luther indicated he would look at widening the edges in both directions to improve the situation.
8. *Discussion and/or action on the Monthly Contract Report: (Tatom)*
 - a. *Chief Austin Stanphill, Granite Shoals Fire Department*
 - i. *Monthly Report for April 2021:* See Report. Chief Stanphill went over the April monthly report. Chief Stanphill reported that the Fire Department is in the process of acquiring a new 25' long boat with dual motors. New boat has an enclosed cabin, a mounted water cannon and has greater accessibility. It will be more useful for fire and rescue operations than the current boat. Chief Stanphill noted that they are working on next year's budget and he is looking to increase pay, the need to replace the aging trucks, the need to add a ladder truck given the construction of 3 story homes in the area, and looking to establish a fire marshal position to address new construction issues. The position might be a part time with a current part time position in the Police Department. Chief Stanphill noted that the Department was still in consideration of grants to replace tankers.
9. *Reading and Acceptance of the Minutes of the April 8, 2021 meeting:* Mr. Brady move and Mr. Tatom seconded the motion to approve the minutes as read for the April meeting. Motion passed.
10. *Reading and Acceptance of Treasurer's Report:*
 - a. *See Monthly Reports for Account Status:* Mr. Brady went over the monthly report.
 - b. *Pending Bills:* There was on bill from Ms. Tami Griffin for \$25.00 and a reminder from BCAD on the upcoming payment due in June. Mr. Brady noted that the City payment for the next quarter was also due in July.

- c. *Reimbursements/ Banking Matters/ Other Money Related Items:* BCAD send a preliminary appraised value for the District of \$395,787,563. Mr. Brady noted that this was an increase of about \$45,000,000 from last year. Mr. Tatom moved and Ms. Hanifan seconded the motion to accept the treasurer's report and to pay the outstanding bill. Motion carried.
 - i. *Monthly Bills/ Credit Card:* Mr. Tatom reported on the status of the acquiring a credit card account for the District. He needs a resolution to approve the credit card. A resolution was proposed to approve the acquisition of a credit card for use by the Commissioners for District business. Motion carried.
- 11. *Discussion and/or action on Budget for Fiscal Year 2021:*
 - a. Mr. Brady distributed a proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2022. Mr. Tatom suggested we look over it and take a closer look at it next month as we start the budget process.
 - b. *Answering Service:* Ms. Hanifan will proceed with the hiring of an answering service.
- 12. *Discussion and/or action on the Existing Contracts:* Nothing to report
 - a. *City of Granite Shoals for time period FY 2019 to FY 2023*
 - b. *Tabor & Burnett*
- 13. *Discussion and/or action on communications from Legal Counsel:* No contact this past month.
- 14. *Discussion and/or action regarding ESD concerns on LCRA and Lake LBJ:* Chief Stanphill noted that the Granite Shoals City Council had a detailed presentation on the presence of zebra mussels in Lake LBJ. It was noted that most the mussels had been found in the Kingsland area.
- 15. *Discussion and/or action on training for Commissioners:* It was noted that SAFE-d was having some training in the Fall and that the next conference would be in Galveston in early 2022.
- 16. *Discussion and/or action on public interaction by Commissioners:* Nothing to report.
- 17. *Discussion and/or action on incoming mail:* Ms. Hanifan listed the received mail in the agenda and noted that the mail had been passed along to Mr. Brady.
 - a. BCAD
 - i. Tax Collections for 3-16 to 3-31 of \$1,994.65
 - ii. Tax Collections for 4-1to 4-15 of \$1,639.02
 - iii. Tax Collections for 4-16- 4-30 of \$3.30
 - iv. Reminder of Quarterly Payment of \$840.31 is due before July 1, 2021
 - v. Preliminary Freeze Adjusted Taxable Value: \$395,787,563. For use for planning purposes.
 - b. Bank Statements
 - i. Security State Bank & Trust
 - 1. Statement for 4/30/2021 Balance of \$10,760.5
 - ii. BancorpSouth
 - 1. Statement for 4/30/2021 Balance of \$126967.10
 - c. Bills
 - i. Tami Griffin for \$25.00 for April
- 18. *Internal Items and Establish tasks for next meeting:*
 - a. All-Review budget for FY 2022
 - b. Mr. Tatom to get a plaque for Ms. Enloe and a restaurant gift card
 - c. Mr. Tatom to continue the credit card acquisition
 - d. Ms. Hanifan to establish answering service
- 19. *Discussion and/or action on establishing time, date and location of next meeting:*
 - a. *The next meeting will be on June 10, 2021 starting at 2:00 p.m.*
- 20. *Close meeting: Mr. Tatom closed the meeting a 3:12 p.m.*

Joanne Hanifan, Secretary ESD #3