



Williamson County Emergency Services District No. 4 Liberty Hill Fire Department

Minutes of Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, August 30, 2023

Call to Order (Item 1)

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Clark at 6:34 p.m. Board members present were Commissioner Carrie Van Meeteren, Commissioner Kim Sanders, and Commissioner Chuck Walker. Commissioner Jason Shaw was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Chief Anthony Lincoln and Ms. Alma Jellison.

Pledges (Item 2)

Pledges were led by Commissioner Walker.

Citizen Comment (Item 3)

None.

Review and approve meeting minutes for July 24, 2023, and special meeting August 7, 2023. (Item 4)

Commissioner Sanders moved for approval. Commissioner Van Meeteren seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.

Conduct a Public Hearing on the Proposal to Increase Property Taxes. (Item 5)

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Clark at 6:35 pm. No comments were made. The hearing was closed at 6:36 pm by President Dan Clark.

Discussion and possible action to adopt budget for fiscal year October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024 for WCESD No. 4 and adopt a Resolution for same (Item 6).

Review of proposed budget was given by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Van Meeteren moved to adopt the 2023/2024 Annual Operational Budget for WCESD No. 4 as presented including a Resolution. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.



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Discussion and possible action to take a record vote on the District's 2023 tax rate, adopt an Order Levying Taxes, and authorize filing the Order with Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector. (Item 7)

Review of proposed tax rate and Order was led by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Sanders moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.067969 which is effectively a 9.196% increase in the tax rate. This tax rate will raise more taxes for maintenance and operations than last year's tax rate. The tax rate will effectively be raised by 3.499 percent and will raise taxes for maintenance and operations on a \$100,000 home by approximately \$1.89. Commissioner Van Meeteren seconded the motion, and it was approved 3-1 with Commissioner Walker opposed. Commissioner Dan Clark voted aye, Commissioner Sanders voted aye, Commissioner Van Meeteren voted aye, Commissioner Walker voted nay.

Discussion and possible action to approve the posting of statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of District website, including the verbiage that was adopted with the District's 2023 tax rate. (Item 8)

Review of Senate Bill 2 requirements was given by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Sanders moved to approve the posting of statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of District website including the verbiage that was adopted with the District's 2023 tax rate. Commissioner Van Meeteren seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.

Discussion and possible action adopting a new rate schedule to support the 2021 Fire Code. (Item 9)

Review of proposed rate schedule was led by Chief Lincoln for a new rate schedule to support the 2021 Fire Code. Request for previous rate schedule as a comparison was requested. No action was taken.

Discussion and possible action regarding interlocal cooperation agreement for participation and access to Williamson County's dispatch Services and Public Safety software systems and related support services along with a proposed fee schedule. (Item 10)

Review of current services and the proposed fee schedule was given by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Walker moved to approve the ILA (Interlocal Cooperation Agreement) for participation and access to Williamson County's Dispatch Services and Public Safety software systems and related support services. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.

Discussion and possible action authorizing the City of Liberty Hill to negotiate a sales tax sharing agreement with a future development on our behalf. (Item 11)

President Clark announced the public meeting was closed at 7:12 p.m. and the Board would enter executive session for the purpose of receiving legal counsel. President Clark announced that the executive session was convened at 7:13 pm. No action was taken during the executive session and was closed at 8:10 pm. The Board reconvened in open session at 8:11 p.m. No action.



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Discussion and possible action on purchasing of property, status of design, architectural and engineering work, architectural and engineering consultants and construction on Fire Station #3 and #4 and associated funding. (Item 12)

Brief report given by Chief Lincoln. No action taken.

Announcements (Item 13)

Next meeting is September 18, 2023, at 6:30 pm.

Adjourn (Item 14)

Commissioner Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carrie Van Meeteren, Secretary

Approved:

Dan Clark, President