

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

### Minutes of Special Meeting held on Monday, August 7, 2023

### Call to Order (Item 1)

The meeting was called to order by President Dan Clark at 6:55 p.m. Board members present were Commissioner Carrie Van Meeteren, Commissioner Kim Sanders, Commissioner Jason Shaw and Commissioner Chuck Walker. Also in attendance were Chief Anthony Lincoln and Ms. Alma Jellison.

#### Pledges (Item 2)

Pledges were led by Commissioner Sanders.

#### Citizen Comment (Item 3)

None.

### 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 4)

President Clark announced the public meeting was closed at 8:15 p.m. and the Board would enter executive session. President Clark announced that the executive session was convened at 8:16 pm. No action was taken during executive session and the Board returned from executive session at 9:06 pm. The Board reconvened in open session at 9:16 p.m.

## Discussion and possible action authorizing the Financing of Fire Station #3 and related matters (Item 5).

Mr. Ed King from Government Capital Corporation gave a summary and report of the financing options for Fire Station #3. Commissioner Walker moved to approve the financing of Fire Station #3 with Government Capital including a resolution authorizing the financing at a rate of 5.35% for a term of 20 years with an annual payment of \$404,941.06 with final review of documents by our legal. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.



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# Discussion and possible action authorizing the financing of fire apparatus and related matters. (Item 6).

Review of previously authorized purchases and financing details was given by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Sanders moved for approval for the financing of two brush trucks and equipment, one attenuator truck and associated fire equipment for Engine 3 with Government Capital including a Resolution authorizing the financing of \$965,134.00 at a rate of 4.89% for a term of 10 years with an annual payment of \$124,350.78 with final review of documents by our Legal. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.

#### <u>Presentation, discussion, and possible action on the 2023/2024 Annual Operating Budget for</u> <u>WCESD No. 4. (Item 7)</u>

Presentation was given by Chief Lincoln. Discussion with no action required.

#### Discussion and possible action on 2023/2024 tax rate (Item 8)

Review of tax rate was given by Chief Lincoln. Commissioner Van Meeteren moved to set a proposed tax rate at \$0.067969. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-1 with Commissioner Walker voting against. Commissioner Sanders moved: to record the following vote on the tax rate with four (4) voting for, one (1) voting against, and zero (0) abstaining; to schedule a public hearing August 30, 2023 at an August Regular meeting to be held at 301 Loop 332 at Liberty Hill Fire Station at 6:30 PM; to authorize the publication of "Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate" in the Williamson County Sun; and to authorize the posting of tax rate notice "Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase" to the District website. Commissioner Shaw seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.

#### Announcements. Set the next meeting date. (Item 9)

No announcements. A regular meeting and public hearing will be held at 6:30 pm on August 30, 2023.



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### Adjourn (Item 10)

Commissioner Walker moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Sanders seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted:** 

Carrie Van Meeteren, Secretary

Approved:

Dan Clark, President