

**MINUTES OF REGULAR  
MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
NORTHEAST LEON COUNTY  
EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #4**

**Date: Thursday, August 17, 2023  
Place: 223 Main Street  
Buffalo, TX 75831**

**Regular Monthly Meeting  
Time: 6:00pm**

The Emergency Services District Board may enter into closed session regarding any item on this agenda if necessary, as permitted by Subchapter D of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code

On the above date, The Northeast Leon County ESD#4 Board of Directors held regular monthly, with the following members present.

- Gary Morrow, Brent Lathrop; Tina Bailey; Sherry Boyd were present.
- Also present were representatives from contracted service providers:
  - Oakwood VFD—Chief Greg Smith
  - Buffalo VFD— Asst. Chief Robby Boettcher
  - Jewett EMS—Director Wes Collins
  - ESD Bookkeeper—Sherry Smith

**Agenda**

1. Call to Order: 6:00PM
  2. Roll Call: Danny Reeder was absent.
  3. Pledge; prayer: Gary Morrow
  4. Public Comments.
  5. Consideration, and approval of July 13 minutes: Brent Lathrop made motion to approve minutes; Tina Bailey seconded; All voted for; None opposed; Motion passed.
  6. Consideration, and approval of absences of board members: None
  7. Consideration, and approval of treasurer's report July 2023: Sherry Boyd made motion to Approve report; Tina Bailey seconded; All voted for; Motion Passed.
  8. Consideration, and approval of any grants to local fire departments: None
  9. Consideration, and approval of reports from contracted VFD's and EMS and payment of contract funds: Brent Lathrop made motion to approve reports and payment; Tina Bailey seconded; All voted for; None opposed; Motion passed.
  10. Consideration, and approval of payment of noncontract bills: Brent Lathrop made motion to Pay bills; Sherry Boyd seconded; All voted for; None opposed; Motion passed: Sherry Smith: \$500. Bookkeeping; Palestine Press: \$216; Buffalo Express:\$60
  11. Consideration, and approval of participation of board members in safety trainings: :None
  12. Consideration, and approval of any action to amend the 2022-2023 budget: None
  13. Consideration, Discussion, Approval of any Action, Solar, Tax Abatement: Tabled
  14. Consideration, discussion and approval of any action: ESD building project or real property consideration, and or purchase thereof: None
- CLOSED SESSION: BUDGET DISCUSSION:**  
Tina Bailey made motion to enter into closed session: Sherry Boyd seconded; All voted for; None Opposed; Motion passed. 6:20 pm Tina Bailey made motion to return to regular session; Sherry Boyd seconded; All voted for; motion passed. 6:47pm
15. Consideration, discussion, and any approval : Of any proposal of contracted services: No action At this time.
  16. Consideration, discussion, of any approval of: 2023/2024 Budget Discussion/Approval: Sherry Boyd made motion to approve budget as presented; Brent Lathrop seconded; All voted for; None opposed; Motion passed.
  17. Consideration, discussion, of any approval of: Proposed Tax Rate for 2023: Sherry Boyd made Motion to set proposed tax rate at \$ 10 for 2023 and set public meeting for September 14<sup>th</sup>. Tina Bailey seconded; None opposed; Motion passed.
  18. General Discussion.
  19. Agenda for next meeting: Tax Abatement Discussion: Set Tax Rate.

**None opposed; Motion passed. 7:10pm**

I do hereby certify that the above minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Leon County Emergency Services District #4 is a true and correct record of said meeting.

Approved on this date: \_\_\_\_\_ Attested \_\_\_\_\_  
By President: \_\_\_\_\_