

UPSHUR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

APRIL 12, 2021

7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Upshur County Emergency Services District No. 1 Board of Directors was held on April 12, 2021, at the Gilmer Fire Station, 120 Henderson, Gilmer, Texas.

- 1) **Open meeting.** The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Marc Nichols.
- 2) **Call to order.** Marc Nichols called the meeting to order. Prayer was led by Gaston DeBerry, III.
- 3) **Determine quorum present.** Marc Nichols determined a quorum was present with Gary Smith being absent.
- 4) **Read and approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held March 8, 2021.** Motion was made by Gaston DeBerry, III and second by David Tackett to approve the minutes from the Regular meeting held March 8, 2021. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 5) **Public Comment.** Mike Fennell notified the Board that the Glenwood VFD had a jaws unit available to service the other departments if needed.
- 6) **Discussion regarding recruitment/retention program – countywide monthly training.** There was discussion regarding the training to be held May 8th at the Gilmer Civic Center.
- 7) **Discuss and take action regarding payment for training materials for EVOC course to be held in May.** Motion by Gaston DeBerry, III with a second by David Tackett to reimburse Michael Kuza for materials purchased up to \$300.00. Motion carried 3-1 with Michael Kuza abstaining.
- 8) **Discuss and take action regarding repairs to Lafayette VFD trucks.** Motion by Michael Kuza with a second by Gaston DeBerry, III to have the truck looked at to see if a packing gland is bad and if so, to have it fixed. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.
- 9) **Discuss and take action on de-annexing part of ESD#1 to create ESD#2 as per boundaries set.** It was discussed that the new ESD#2 would include New Diana and Ore City school districts and a portion of Pittsburg ISD. It would include the Diana and Ore City Fire Departments as well as the New Mountain VFD. Gaston DeBerry, III announced his resignation from the ESD#1 in order to serve on the new ESD#2 board. It was further announced that the Upshur County Commissioners Court would be selecting the new

members for the ESD#2 at the April 15, 2021 meeting. Motion by David Tackett with a second by Gaston DeBerry, III to approve the de-annexation from ESD#1 to create ESD#2 as per boundaries. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

10) Pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of March, 2021. Motion by Gaston DeBerry, III and second by David Tackett to pay the City of Gilmer for dispatching services for the month of March, 2021 in the amount of \$3,000.00. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

11) Pay bills for the Upshur County Emergency Services District as submitted and approved. Motion was made by Michael Kuza and second by David Tackett to pay the following bills as submitted. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

Terri Ross (February Bookkeeping/Clerical)	\$ 750.00
ETEX Telephone	\$ 104.95

12) Pay bills for the individual fire departments excluding Bettie, Diana and Simpsonville as submitted and approved. Motion by Gaston DeBerry, III and second by David Tackett to pay the following bills to the rural fire departments as submitted and approved. Motion carried 4-1 with Michael Kuza against.

East Mountain VFD	\$ 1,881.34
Ewell VFD	\$ 5,687.88
Glenwood VFD	\$ 1,920.57
Harmony VFD	\$10,207.27
Pleasant Grove VFD	\$ 548.88
Pritchett VFD	\$ 3,806.89

13) Pay bills for Bettie VFD as submitted and approved. Motion by David Tackett and second by Gaston DeBerry, III to pay Bettie VFD bills in the amount of \$711.56. Motion carried 3-1 with Michael Kuza abstaining.

14) Pay bills for Diana VFD as submitted and approved. Motion by Michael Kuza and second by Gaston DeBerry, III to pay Diana VFD bills in the amount of \$5,115.91. Motion carried 3-1 with David Tackett abstaining.

15) Pay bills for Simpsonville VFD as submitted and approved. No bills submitted.

16) Take action on any insurance claim pay outs to rural departments. VFIS has paid disability claims to a member of the Pleasant Grove VFD in the amount of \$1,600.00. No action to be taken.

17) Discuss and take action on any grant reimbursement requests submitted. No action taken.

18) **Budget Amendments.** Motion by Gaston DeBerry, III and second by David Tackett to move \$3,096.61 from retained earnings to Property/Casualty insurance line item. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.

19) **Items to be considered for next month's agenda.** ETEX internet billing.

20) **Adjournment.** Motion by Gaston DeBerry, III and second by David Tackett to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0. Unanimous vote in favor.



Presiding Officer Signature

Title: President

Date:

5-24-21



POLICYHOLDER

VFIS Claims Management, Inc
P O Box 5126
York, PA 17405
Fax (717) 747-7051
(800) 233-1957

Payment on behalf of National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, PA

CC: UPSHUR COUNTY ESD #1
PO BOX 1432
GILMER, TX 75644

CHECK NUMBER: 363155
CLAIM NUMBER: 1220AH0048
STATUS: Active
P DISABILITY : 4,800.00
A MEDICAL : 0.00
I PRINCIPAL : 0.00
D TOTAL : 4,800.00

BENEFIT DISTRIBUTION

Weekly Income - Total Disability (After 28 Days) From 03/11/2021 through 03/24/2021 800.00

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CHECK NO. 363155
CHECK DATE 03/24/2021
Void 90 days after this date

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CLAIM NUMBER	POLICY NUMBER	PAYEE TAXPAYER I	AGENT 1	POLICY DATES
1220AH0048	VFP 4644-1746E-06	***_**_****	17673 - WinStar Insurance Group LLC	10/1/2020-10/1/2021
AGENT 2	POLICY HOLDER		CLAIMANT	DATE OF EVENT
	UPSHUR COUNTY ESD #1		Austin Padilla	11/20/2020

PAY: Eight Hundred Dollars And 00/100 Dollars

\$*****800.00

TO THE ORDER OF Austin Padilla
10758 FM 1002 S
Big Sandy, TX 75755

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STATUS: Active
P DISABILITY : 4,000.00
A MEDICAL : 0.00
I PRINCIPAL : 0.00
D TOTAL : 4,000.00

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