

**FIRE SUPPRESSION AUTHORITY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES**

April 8, 2019

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rick Andrews at 12 p.m.

II. Roll Call

A. Board Members Present:
Chairman – Rick Andrews
Vice Chair – Mary Nicol
Secretary – Teresa Montgomery
Treasurer – JJ Werner
Members – Bruce Roumell, Rob Brewer
Ex Officio –

B. Board Members Absent: Joel Schell, Tom Reed

C. Others Present: Mandy Horr, Hummer Wickett, Kerry Shatto, Terri Sherman, Trevor Panusuk

III. Approval of Minutes

M. Nicol motioned to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019, FSA Board meeting; R. Brewer seconded. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report

As of April 8, 2019, the balance in the FSA account was \$2,335,432.47. Expenses for March 12, 2019 through April 8, 2019 were in the amount of \$47,357.82. M. Nicol moved to approve the treasurer's report; B. Roumell seconded. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

V. Old Business

A. Rob Brewer needs to sign the signature card.

B. Budgets submitted by each department were reviewed and discussed. GFD had a 66% increase in the fire calls allocation due to a 400% increase in the number of ambulance assist calls. T. Montgomery questioned why emergency services or the ambulance was not charged for these calls; the person calling for the ambulance is getting charged so why aren't those charges covering these costs for the fire departments, thus the municipal budgets? GFD said they have had thirty ambulance assist calls this year. DFD's budget remains approximately the same as last year. Funds for the training facility were discussed. Each department needs to turn in their own budget to the County. B. Roumell moved to approve all three budgets, those being from the Glenrock Fire Department, Douglas Fire Department and Rural Fire Department; M. Nicol seconded. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

C. The Board reviewed a letter from Lucile Taylor pertaining to the titles to buildings and vehicles operated or used by the fire departments, and a proposed Resolution re-establishing the FSA with added language stating that vehicles will be licensed and insured by the FSA and that all buildings, equipment and vehicles will remain the property of the purchasing county or municipality. The County has control of the revenue. FSA does not have paid personnel. Concern was raised of having a board that could be dissolved at any time hold titles to vehicles. Vehicle insurance is currently taken out of department budgets. B. Roumell will talk to the Joint Powers Board and find out what they want exactly from the FSA.

VI. New Business

A. RFD will have safety trainings in Douglas on April 23rd and on May 13th.

B. T. Sherman stated Dispatch has hired two new employees. Next week is National Telecommunications Week. Russ Dalgarn is testing the paging for GFD.

C. DFD is still getting costs for the training facility. The facility is developing into a larger project. State Fire would like to be involved with the facility.

VII. Adjournment

The next meeting will be on Monday, May 13, 2019, at the Golf Club at noon. B. Roumell moved to adjourn the FSA Board meeting of April 8, 2019; M. Nicol seconded. All Ayes. Motion Carried.



Teresa Montgomery, FSA Board Secretary

c: Converse County Commissioners
City of Douglas
Town of Glenrock
Town of Rolling Hills
Town of Lost Springs