

DELTA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1

MINUTES of Special Called Work Session Meeting

Monday, August 19, 2024

8:00 A.M. - Court House, ESD Office

Members Present: Jeter Cherry, Ron Thurman, and Bill Choate

Members Absent: Allen Beeler and Jacob Vaughn

Audience: Martha Randle

1. Called to Order by Vice-President, Jeter Cherry, at 8:03 A.M. CST, followed by Roll Call, with a quorum being established.
2. Board Members were advised of the need to Review, Establish, and Approve a PROPOSED 2024 TAX RATE. Information which had previously been provided was discussed. Ron Thurman made a motion to approve a proposed 2024 No-New Revenue Tax Rate of \$.043164 per \$100 valuation. A second was made by Bill Choate and motion passed to accept Proposed 2024 No New Revenue Tax Rate of \$.043164 with a 3-0 vote.
3. Board members were advised that the City of Cooper had been awarded the FEMA SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) Grant for the hiring of three full-time firefighters, covering salaries and fringe benefits of three full-time employees for a three-year period. To accept this grant, the City of Cooper, Delta County, and Delta County Emergency Services District #1 need to ensure that they have the ability and commitment to sustain this program beyond the three-year award period. Fire Chief Tanner Crutcher provided Board members with several different scenarios regarding personnel and monetary needs in acceptance of this grant being Scenario 1-3 during the Performance Period of the grant and Scenario 1-7 during the Post Award (self funded) period of the grant. Board members discussed and reviewed in detail the information provided to them.

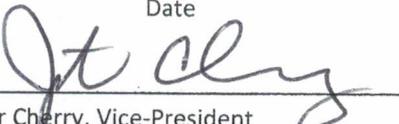
Following discussion, a motion was made by Bill Choate to support the acceptance of the FEMA SAFER GRANT. Motion by Choate included a yearly monetary commitment up to Scenario 3 during Grant period January 2025-January 2028 as well as a yearly monetary commitment up to Scenario 1 during the Post Award Grant period January 2028 and beyond. A second was made by Ron Thurman and motion passed with a 3-0 vote to accept and commit to the FEMA SAFER GRANT acceptance.

4. There being no further business to come before the board and upon motion made by Bill Choate and second by Ron Thurman, motion carried with a 3-0 vote to adjourn said meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 A.M.

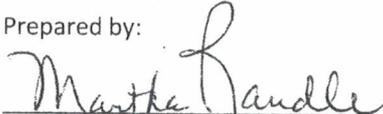
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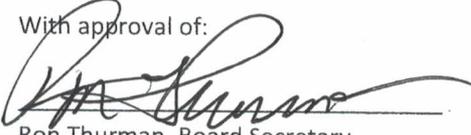
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Jeter Cherry, Vice-President

Prepared by:


Martha Randle, Financial Administrative Assistant

With approval of:


Ron Thurman, Board Secretary