

**ESD 8 Minutes, October 19th, 2015 Meeting at PFD Station One, 801 Bee Creek Road, Briarcliff, TX.  
78669 6:30 PM.**

**ESD 8 Board Members Present:** Russ Munsch, Gail Zahara, Kristy Quigley Absent: Karen Fromel

**Staff Present:** Financial Consultant Bob Dilley, Fire Chief Gerry Deming, Training Officer Troy Wenzel, Battalion Chief Wade Schmitzinsky Absent: Mike Claypool

**Call to Order** by Board President Russ Munsch at 6:32 P.M.

**The minutes** of the meeting of September 21st, 2015 were adopted as presented by a vote of 3 – 0.

**The end of year budget report** was presented by Financial Consultant Bob Dilley.

The following checks were approved by the Board by a vote 4-0:

a) **Checks for Approval:**

AFD Dispatch: \$8,160.00

Texas Municipal League: \$25,033.12      Worker's Compensation Insurance

VFIS: \$6,762.00      Property and Liability Insurance/Quarterly Payment

Fire Chief Gerry Deming presented the latest Incident Reporting spreadsheet.

The Board discussed the **Ad Valorem tax rate** for fiscal year 2015-2016. The Board had proposed at the September Board meeting to continue the rate of \$0.098/\$100 valuation. Notice of the public meetings were published, and the meetings were held in September and October. Mr. Munsch made a motion to adopt this rate, with a second by Ms. Zahara. This tax rate was adopted by a 3 – 0 vote.

Roger Simmons of LpL Financial presented an option to improve the fire department retirement plan. After discussion, the Board decided they needed further information before making any change.

Chief Deming presented a station 803 staffing report. 3 Cases were presented to increase staffing, with financial implications prepared by Bob Dilley. After discussion, the Board expressed interest in Case 2 and requested further analysis and possible action at the November Board meeting.

The Board discussed the status of the deed for Station 802. Currently, the deed is in the name of Pedernales Volunteer Fire Department. The Board requested this item be on the agenda as an action item at the November meeting to change the name on the deed to Travis County ESD 8.