

**MINUTES  
OF  
WHARTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT (ESD) NO. 3  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 13, 2024**

President Herman Wolff, Jr. declared a Regular Meeting duly open for the transaction of business at 7:00 P.M.

Boards of Directors present were: Herman Wolff, Jr.; Marc Sangalli; Marvin Koliba; Gary Bonewald, and Adraylle Watson.

Board of Directors absent were: None.

Visitors present were: Attorney Howard Singleton, City of Wharton EMS Director Christy Gonzales, City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Anandel, and City of Wharton City Secretary Paula Favors.

The second item on the agenda was a roll call and excused absences. All members were present.

The third item on the agenda was public comments. No comments were given. No action was taken.

The fourth item on the agenda was the reading of the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 9, 2024. After some discussion, Boardmember Marvin Koliba moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on May 9, 2024. Boardmember Marc Sangalli seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The fifth item on the agenda was the City of Wharton's Financial Report for ESD No. 3 and the EMS Department. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Anandel stated that the ESD No. 3 financial statement as of May 31, 2024, had revenues of \$2,050,327 and Expenditures of \$1,986,237. After some discussion, Boardmember Gary Bonewald made a motion to accept the financial report. Boardmember Marvin Koliba seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The sixth item on the agenda was the ESD No. 3 Funds Investment Report. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Anandel stated as of May 31, 2024, the cash and investments at First State Bank consisted of a cash balance of \$246,735.70 at First State Bank, \$213,188.63 at Prosperity Bank; a \$220,000 C.D.; a \$20,000 Money Market account, and \$425.49 in Shares/Savings at Texasgulf Credit Union. As of June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, cash and investments at First State Bank consisted of a \$130,000 Money Market account; \$112,000.00 C.D., and a Checking of \$27,346.71. After some discussion, Boardmember Adraylle Watson made a motion to accept the financial report. Boardmember Marc Sangalli seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The seventh item on the agenda was the report on the interest rates available for the ESD Reserve Funds. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Anandel presented a report on the interest rates available for ESD Funds. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The eighth item on the agenda was designating the City of Wharton Finance Director to access banking information for all Wharton County ESD No. 3 accounts and allow online banking. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Andel stated she was requesting the Board consider approving her access to banking information for all of the Wharton County ESD No. 3 accounts to allow her to complete the day-to-day business as needed and allowing online banking access. She said the access would be a view only access and not any financial changes. After some discussion, Boardmember Marvin Koliba moved to approve designating the City of Wharton Finance Director to access banking information view only for all Wharton County ESD No. 3 accounts and allow online banking. Boardmember Gary Bonewald seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The ninth item discussed on the agenda was the City of Wharton Emergency Medical Services Report. City of Wharton Assistant EMS Director Christy Gonzales addressed the Board and presented the monthly report for May 2024, which reflected:

Total Response	Emergency Response	Non Emergency	No Loads	Transfers	911 OOC	911 OBW	Flights
264	168	0	96	0	69	82	10

After some discussion, Boardmember Marc Sangalli made a motion to approve the report as revised. Boardmember Marvin Koliba seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The tenth item on the agenda was to review and consider expenditures. After some discussion, Boardmember Adraylle Watson moved to approve expenditures as presented. Boardmember Marvin Koliba seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The eleventh item on the agenda was to review and consider:

- A. Exemption Report
- B. Resolution: A resolution granting exemptions for tax year 2024.

After some discussion, Boardmember Marvin Koliba moved to approve the Wharton County Emergency Services District No. 3 Granting Exemptions for 2024 Resolution, which read as follows:

**ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS  
OF WHARTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3  
GRANTING EXEMPTIONS FOR 2024**

IN OPEN MEETING on June 13, 2024 of the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners of **WHARTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3**, with the following Commissioners present:

  X   Herman Wolff, Jr.        X   Adraylle Watson

X Gary Bonewald                  X Marvin Koliba  
      X Marc Sangalli

The following MOTION was considered, and after discussion was adopted and approved by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 against:

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 775 of the Health and Safety Code and pursuant to the Texas Tax Code, the **WHARTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3** is authorized to grant exemptions relative to the District's property tax levy; and

**WHEREAS**, the District intends to collect taxes for the 2024 property tax year,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and ORDERED** that the following exemptions are granted for 2024:

Over 65	<u>Remain - \$10,000</u>
Disability	<u>Remain - \$10,000</u>
Homestead	<u>Remain Unchanged – 1% - \$5,000 minimum</u>

**SIGNED THIS 13th DAY OF JUNE, 2024.**

**WHARTON COUNTY EMERGENCY  
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Herman Wolff, Jr.**  
 President

**ATTESTED TO:**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Gary Bonewald**  
 Secretary

Boardmember Adraylle Watson seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The twelfth item on the agenda was to review and consider discuss and take action on payment from ESD 3 to ESD 4 under Interlocal Agreement. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Andel presented the payment information that was due under the Interlocal agreement between the Wharton County Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 3 and Wharton County Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 4 for years 2023-2024 but the Wharton County Central Appraisal District had not provided the needed information to calculate the amount due. Mrs. Andel said

she recommended that since the amount was due by June 15<sup>th</sup>, the Board approve the amount of up to \$175 and she would be able to issue a check as soon as the information was available. After some discussion, Boardmember Marc Sangalli moved to approve the payment from ESD 3 to ESD 4 in the amount of up to \$175.00 for the year 2023-2024 due under the Interlocal agreement. Boardmember Gary Bonewald seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

The thirteenth item on the agenda was the Central Appraisal District Process Discussion. City of Wharton Finance Director Joan Andel stated there was no information to report and certified values should be available by July 25<sup>th</sup>. After some discussion, no action was taken.

The fourteenth item on the agenda was the open forum. Boardmember Gary Bonewald discussed the need for a Wharton County ESD No. 3 webpage as required by Texas Statue. Boardmember Bonewald discussed mutual aid agreements and if there was a need for them. Boardmember Marc Sangalli discussed the roll call and excused absences item and Attorney Howard Singleton stated that excused absences would be removed from the next agenda. After some discussion, no action was taken.

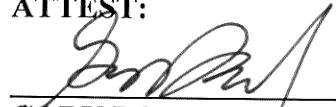
The fifteenth item on the agenda was adjournment. After some discussion, Boardmember Marc Sangalli moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Boardmember Marvin Koliba seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**WHARTON COUNTY ESD NO. 3**

By:

  
**HERMAN WOLFF, JR.**  
President

**ATTEST:**

  
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**GARY BONEWALD**  
Secretary