

- d. Fuel Consumption Report
- e. Truck Repairs Report

Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief, presented his Fire Chief's report to the Fire Commissioners. He reported the following:

Training:

07/04/23 Checked all the units.
 07/11/23 Class on new plow which is hooked up to the tractor
 07/18/23 No one showed up
 07/25/23 Had class on spraying and handling grass fires

Meetings/Projects:

Driscoll Childrens Hospital was here for car seat to pass out flyers during Food Bank drive on July 31, 2023

TDHS will be back at the end of August to offer immunization shots to child needing them for school

All equipment on the list that was turned in to the County has been purchased except for portable generator

Met with the Red Cross for introduction with new personnel and awareness of things we might need and to begin talks on preparing for the rest of hurricane season for the rest of the year and next few years

A hurricane preparedness meeting was held at the Courthouse on July 10, 2023

Ice Machine

Had fuel filters and air filters changed on the brush trucks

Command truck frontend worked on for death wobble and brakes

Fuel and air filter were changed on Brush 1 and 2

Fire Calls

Vehicle Accidents	2
Vehicle Fires	0
Grass Fires	9
Others (Bees)	0
Structure Fires	0
Medical Assistance	1
TOTAL CALLS	12

EMS Calls

Norias	2
Mifflin Armstrong	5
Kenedy County	9
Sarita	14
TOTAL CALLS	30

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Fire Chief's report be accepted as presented.

5. **Discuss & Act on Command Officer Standby Compensation for July 2023**

Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief, informed the Fire Commissioners that there was no officer standby pay for August 2023.

No vote was needed and none was taken.

6. **Discuss & Act on Evaluation of Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief**

William Dieterle informed the Fire Commissioners that this item needed to be held in an Executive Session; therefore, this item needed to be tabled.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that this item be tabled.

7. **Discuss & Act on Conducting Full Inspection of All Apparatuses**

William Dieterle invited the Fire Commissioners conduct full inspection of all apparatuses. The Commissioners conducted the inspection of all apparatuses.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Lorraine Burns seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that all apparatuses inspected by the Commissioners be approved.

8. **Discuss & Act on Agreement with Food Bank and Food Distribution**

Judge Charles E. Burns informed the Fire Commissioners of his visit with the Food Bank officers and told them that no food is to be stored by the County or the Fire District; that only distribution of food was to be made. He further informed the Fire Commissioners that the Food Bank would be informed to move their food distribution back to the Appraisal District carport area, the original food distribution site.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Food Bank be requested to move their food distribution to the Appraisal District carport site and that no Food Bank items are to be stored in the Kenedy County Fire Station.

9. **Discuss & Act on 2023 Second Quarter Investment Report**

Leo Villarreal presented the Fire Commissioners the 2023 Second Quarter Investment Report.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2023 Second Quarter Investment Report be accepted as presented.

10. **Discuss & Act on Purchasing Ice Machine**

Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief, informed the Fire Commissioners that the present ice machine was no longer usable and that he had received two quotes for the purchase of a new machine.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Fire Chief is authorized to purchase a 500-pound ice machine.

11. **Discuss & Act on Kenedy County Certification of 2023 No New Revenue Tax Rate and 2023 Voter Approval Tax Rate.**

William Dieterle presented the Fire Commissioners with the Tax Offices certification of the 2023 No New Revenue Tax Rate and 2023 Voter Approval Tax Rate and informed them that the tax rates needed to be certified.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2023 No New Revenue Tax Rate and 2023 Voter Approval Tax Rate be approved and certified as presented.

12. **Discuss & Act on Kenedy County Certification of 2023 Total Appraised Value, Total Assessed Value, Total Taxable Value and Total New Property Taxable Value.**

William Dieterle presented the Fire Commissioners with the Tax Offices certification of the 2023 Total Appraise Value, Total Assessed Value, Total Taxable Value and the Total New Property Taxable Value and informed them that the values needed to be certified.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2023 Total Appraise Value, Total Assessed Value, Total Taxable Value and the Total New Property Taxable Value be approved and certified as presented.

13. **Discuss & Act on Kenedy County Certification of 2023 Anticipated Collection Rate**

William Dieterle presented the Fire Commissioners with the Tax Offices certification of the 2023 Anticipated Collection Rate and informed them that it needed to be certified.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2023 Anticipated Collection Rate be approved and certified as presented.

14. **Conduct 2024 Budget Workshop**

William Dieterle informed the Fire Commissioners of the need to table this item and of the need to schedule a future date when the 2024 Budget Workshop could be set.

Commissioner Melinda Vel moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2024 Budget Workshop be tabled and reset for August 29, 2023.

15. **Discuss & Act on 2024 Budget and 2023 Proposed Tax Rate**

William Dieterle informed the Fire Commissioners of the need to determine the proposed 2023 Tax Rate at a future date when the 2024 Budget Workshop was held.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that this be tabled.

16. **Discuss & Act on Setting Date for Public Hearing to Adopt the 2024 Proposed Budget and 2023 Proposed Tax Rate**

William Dieterle informed the Fire Commissioners to determine the date for the public hearing on the 2024 Proposed Budget and on the 2023 Proposed Tax Rate at a future date when the 2024 Budget Workshop was held.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that this item be tabled.

17. **Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Board Meeting**

William Dieterle informed the Fire Commissioners to determine the date for the next regular meeting.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the next regular meeting be held on September 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

18. **Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills; Receive Report on Tax Revenue Received; and Receive Report on Bank Balance as of July 31, 2023**

William Dieterle presented the bills for the month ending July 31, 2023, to the Fire Commissioners and informed the Fire Commissioners that the bills should be considered for payment.

Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Daniel Alaniz seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the bills be paid as presented.

19. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, Commissioner Melinda Vela moved and Commissioner Rogelio Salinas seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Fire District's Commissioners' meeting be adjourned at 8:09 o'clock p.m.



William Dieterle, President

ATTESTED TO:


Melinda Vela, Secretary