

NAVARRO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

MEETING MINUTES from BUDGET WORKSHOP on JULY 14, 2026

A Budget Workshop of the Navarro County Emergency Services District #1 Board was held on the 14th day of July 2026 at 3:00 p.m. at the ESD Armory, 805 NE 2nd St, Kerens, TX 75144.

1. Call to order and establish quorum

- Commissioners present included Brett Latta (President), Greg Younger (Vice-President), Comm. Cylynne Callicutt (Treasurer) and Comm. Betsy Stroder (Asst. Treasurer) and Pete Parish (Secretary).
- Quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm.

2. Citizen Comments and Announcements

- None this meeting.

3. Discussion and possible action for the proposed NCESD1 2026-2027 budget

ESD administrative budget (3:00)

- Comm. Latta reviewed his proposed administrative budget by line item.
- Discussed the need to update the VFD service contracts to require the departments to provide receipts to NCESD1 for all purchases made with ESD funding.

287 RC VFD budget proposal (4:00)

- Dwight Larson presented their 287 RC budget proposal.
- There was discussion on how some budget line items were arrived at. Dwight explained that 287 RC does not operate on a fiscal year basis but instead operates month to month. The budget proposal line-item amounts were derived by totaling the previous 12 months actual expenses. More discussion to follow.

Powell ESD VFD budget proposal (4:30)

- No representative from Powell attended to present their budget proposal. Comm. Latta to follow-up with Chief McNeese.

Kerens VFD budget proposal (5:00)

- Chief Bush presented their KVFD budget proposal
- Discussion of training expenses. Chief Bush updated that they had five firefighters and the TFS Fire Academy, but one had to leave early and did not complete the course. TFS course costs ~\$700 per person plus per diem for expenses
- Discussed capital budget request. Given 2026-2027 tax revenues, Chief Bush elected to push capital request for a recovery van to next year.

4. Adjourn Meeting 7:15 pm

Pete Parish – Secretary