MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 6

DATE & PLACE February 10, 2020, Ellis County ESD#6 Fire Station No. 1

1816 FM 66, Waxahachie, Texas

6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT Chuck McCormack. President

James Malone, Vice President

Bill Howell, Secretary & Ass't Treasurer

CHIEFS PRESENT Chief Jake Escamilla

Chief Wes Curry

Four guests were present

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Certification of a Quorum, and Invocation: Commissioner Chuck McCormack, President, called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present with only Commissioner Tommy Hamilton, Treasurer, absent. Chief Wes Curry led the invocation.
- II. Mr. Ray Brown of TangoTango, Inc. will address the Board about his company's smartphone application that expands the coverage and capabilities of our public safety radio network: Mr. Brown, Ass't Manager and Zack Tannett, head of sales, explained how their application worked. Commissioner Malone moved to table any action at this time. Commissioner Howell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Election of officers for the Ellis County ESD 6 board of commissioners for the calendar year 2020: Commissioner Malone moved to leave everyone in the same positions. Commissioner Howell seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- IV. Approve the minutes of the January 13, 2020 regular meeting: The minutes of the meeting were reviewed and approved as written without objection.
- V. Financial
 - A. Receive and approve payment of ECESD#6 bills and review the financial report from the Treasurer: Commissioner Bill Howell gave the January 2020 treasurer's report. He stated the balance of the capital account as of 1/31/20 was \$1,381,607.30 and the checking balance was \$33,281.32. The January 2020 bills were \$80,623.87 (\$71,849.91 for EC ESD#6 and \$8,773.96 for ESD#6 VFD). The January 2020 Forreston VFD receipts were in the amount of \$6,875.59. Commissioner McCormack asked for any questions or corrections to the report, there being none, he requested that the treasurer's report be filed for audit. Commissioner Chuck McCormack moved to approve the payment of the January 2020 ECESD#6 bills, Commissioner James Malone seconded. Motion carried by unanimous consent.
 - **B.** Discuss administrative assistant's computer and printer/copier needs: Mrs. Bigler, Admin. Ass't., explained that the district's laptop needs replacing due to obsolescence. Additionally, she informed the board that both copier/printers are having issues and may need to be replaced soon. Commissioner Malone moved to have Chief Curry work with Mrs. Bigler to purchase the computer and printers as needed, not to exceed \$1,800.00. Commissioner Malone seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Public Comments: There were no comments from the public.

VII. Administrative Matters

- **A.** Discuss necessity of getting a full staff of five commissioners: After some discussion, the commissioners acknowledged that our Ellis County Commissioners Court is actively searching for a new commissioner and recommended that any interested party contact the Ellis County Fire Marshal.
- **B.** Discuss creating an Internet website for Ellis County ESD6: Commissioner McCormack stated that all ESD's must now maintain a website as required by recent state legislation. During the meeting the commissioners spoke to a representative with GoDaddy.com via speakerphone when he explained what his company recommended for the district. After the phone call, Commissioner Howell moved to accept the proposal from GoDaddy.com and to build a website for the ECESD#6 with some partial prepayments for up to ten years for a nominal cost of \$3,700.00. Commissioner Chuck McCormack seconded and motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Operational Matters

- A. Receive Chief Wes Curry's Forreston VFD monthly report regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership. Chief Curry reported 20 total calls with 8 of them EMS. They are doing extrication training in Italy on Saturday. They got new lockers put together and installed in their station.
- B. Receive report from Chief Jake Escamilla on ESD#6 VFD and ECESD#6 regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership: Chief Escamilla reported 67 calls for the month of January, with 50 of these runs being EMS related.
 - Report on the progress of the currently ongoing ISO review of the district: Chief Escamilla reported that the review is ongoing.
 - **Update on status of Drop Box procedure:** Commissioner Howell suggested that archiving with Drop Box may not be necessary with the creation of our website.
 - **Update on Station 1 planned addition for 24 hr. shifts:** Chief Escamilla reported that all planned renovations are nearing completion.
- C. Set the date and time for the ECESD#6 next regular meeting: The date and time for the ECESD#6 next regular meeting was set for Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:30 PM at the ESD6 Station #1 at 1816 FM 66, Waxahachie, Texas.

IX. Commissioner Comments

Comments from Commissioners on future District-related administrative or operational issues: No comments.

X. Adjourn

Commissioner James Malone moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned, without objection, at 8:55 PM.

Chuck McCormack, President ECESD #6 Board of Commissioners February 29, 2020