

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

**DATE & PLACE**                      December 13, 2021  
Ellis County ESD#6 Fire Station No. 1  
1816 FM 66  
Waxahachie, Texas 75167

**MEMBERS PRESENT**                Chuck McCormack, President  
James Malone, Vice President  
Bill Howell, Treasurer  
Rick Beer, Secretary  
Randy Johnston, Ass't Sec'y/Treas.

**CHIEFS PRESENT**                    Chief Jake Escamilla, ESD 6  
Chief Wes Curry, Forreston VFD

One guest was present

**I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Certification of a Quorum, and Invocation:** Commissioner McCormack called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and declared a quorum with all commissioners present. He confirmed that the agenda was legally posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act § 551. Chief Wes Curry led the invocation.

**II. Approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021 regular meeting:** Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the November 15, 2021 regular meeting minutes, as written. Commissioner Randy Johnston seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**III. Financial Matters**

**A. Review the financial report from the Treasurer for November 2021:** Commissioner Bill Howell, Treasurer, gave the November 2021 Treasurer's Report. He stated the balance of the capital account as of 11/30/21 was \$426,918.68 and the checking balance was \$139,447.59. The November bills were \$59,825.77 (\$37,672.70 Payroll Expenses, \$3,865.65 for EC ESD#6 and \$18,287.42 for ESD6 VFD.) The Forreston VFD's November 2021 receipts were \$2,316.21. 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.

**B. Receive and approve payment of the ECESD#6 November 2021 bills:** Commissioner Malone moved to approve the payment of the November 2021 bills as presented and transfer \$90,000.00 to the checking account from the Money Mkt. account to cover upcoming bills. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded; motion carried unanimously.

**IV. Public Comments -** There were no comments from the public.

**V. Administrative Matters**

## VI. Operational Matters

- A. Receive Chief Wes Curry's Forreston VFD monthly report regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership. Discuss status of engine 2881 and Forreston VFD equipment. (Some items may require action.)** Chief Curry reported for the month of November 2021, FVFD had 12 runs which included 3 EMS assist, 3 motor vehicle accidents, 1 brush and 1 rubbish fire, 2 grass fires, 1 structure fire, and 1 cancelled enroute. Chief Curry reported to the commissioners that Forreston's main engine no. 2881, a 2003 Freightliner, was functioning properly after eighteen years of service. The current market for new engines, he reported, is about \$600K – \$850K for capacities of 1,000 – 3,000 gallons. Commissioner Malone proposed that the District investigate the feasibility of a complete renovation of this engine. Chiefs Curry and Escamilla said they would inquire about the cost of a comprehensive rehabilitation for engine 2881. No further action was taken.
- 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 including the following.** Chief Escamilla reported for the month of November 2021, they had 88 calls of which 71 were EMS, 1 motor vehicle accident, 1 structure fire, and 7 brush fires. Chief Escamilla thanked ESD6 VFD Fire Marshal Dick Brillhart for his monthly reports.
- **ISO review of the district – Chief's report to commissioners:** Chief Escamilla reported that the District is ready for the review and he is standing by to meet with Mr. Jeff Edwards of ISO to complete the District's inspection.
  - **P-25 Public Safety Radio conversion status as it relates to the District's contract with City of Midlothian:** Chief reported that the District received an invoice from the City of Midlothian for the annual radio network fee. He confirmed that the invoice was correct and he approved the payment. Chief also stated that the Ellis County Sheriff's dispatch center is waiting for Motorola's software update that will enable the paging capabilities of our new radio system.
  - **ESD6 VFD Station 2:** Report on update for expanding the station to accommodate 24-hour shifts. Chief Escamilla is going to communicate with the City of Waxahachie Building Inspection Department to discuss the feasibility of a DRC (Development Review Committee) meeting concerning the renovation of Station 2.
- C. Set the date and time for the next ECESD#6 regular meeting:** Without objection, Commissioner McCormack set the date for the District's next regular meeting to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6:30 PM.

- VII. Comments from Commissioners on future District-related administrative or operational issues:**  
There were no comments from the commissioners.

- VIII. Adjourn:** Commissioner Malone moved to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Howell seconded, motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.



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Chuck McCormack, President  
ECESD #6 Board of Commissioners  
December 31, 2021