

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

DATE & PLACE: November 13, 2023, Monday, 6:30 PM
Ellis County ESD#6 Fire Station No. 1
1816 FM 66
Waxahachie Texas 75167

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck McCormack, President
James Malone, Vice President
Rick Beer, Secretary
Bill Howell, Treasurer
Dale Walling, Ass't Sec'y/Treas.

CHIEFS PRESENT: Chief Jake Escamilla, ESD 6
Chief Wes Curry, FVFD

Three guests were present.

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Certification of a Quorum, and Invocation: Commissioner McCormack called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present and stated that proper notifications were legally posted on the District's website, and at the meeting location pursuant to the Open Meetings Act § 551. Chief Curry led the invocation.

II. Approve the minutes of the October 9, 2023 regular meeting: Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the October 9, 2023 regular meeting minute as written. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

III. Financial Matters

A. Review the financial report from the Treasurer for October 2023: Commissioner Bill Howell, gave the October 2023 Treasurer's report. He stated the balance of the capital account as of 10/31/23 was \$430,810.14 and the checking balance was \$223,232.77. The October bills were \$144,254.63 (\$44,954.33 Payroll Expenses, \$89,743.10 other, for EC ESD#6 and \$9,557.20 for ESD6 VFD.) The Forrester VFD October 2023 receipts were \$1,545.80. 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 October 2023 bills: Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the payment of the October 2023 bills as presented. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

C. Receive and approve Quarterly Investment report for the 3rd Quarter 2023: Commissioner Rick Beer moved to approve the 3rd Quarter Investment report and Commissioner James Malone seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Review and consider adopting a resolution authorizing electronic transfer of funds between District accounts: Commissioner McCormack moved to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Beer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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

V. Administrative Matters

- A. Election to office of Mr. Dale Walling to the Office of Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer of the Ellis County ESD6 Board of Commissioners:** Commissioner McCormack moved to elect Commissioner Dale Walling to the office of Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer. Commissioner Malone seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
- B. Commissioner McCormack's updates on the SAFE-D Conference in Irving, Texas February 22-24, 2024:** The chair reminded the commissioners and chiefs that the conference will be held February 22-24, 2024. He confirmed that the District registered those planning to attend, but lodging reservations were to be made by those attending.
- C. McCormack's reminder concerning the District's compliance with mandatory certified continuing education training for commissioners:** The chair reviewed Chapter 775 requirements for mandatory continuing education for all commissioners and he reminded commissioners that their education certificates should be recorded with the Ellis County Fire Marshal's office.

VI. Operational Matters:

- A. Receive Chief Wes Curry's Forreston VFD monthly report** regarding operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership including the following. (Some items could require action) Chief Curry reported for the month of October 2023, they had 18 runs, of which 8 were EMS assists, 1 Rescue/EMS incident, 4 grass/grain/crop fires, 1 fire other, 3 motor vehicle accidents/no injuries, and 1 dispatched/cancelled en route. Chief Curry stated that he will present quarterly funding updates in a new format that will better monitor and account for District funds budgeted for the Forreston VFD and he brought a copy of the first rendition for commissioners' review. Chief Curry reported that the Christmas Party for both departments will be held at the Stagecoach Church again on FM 55 on Saturday, December 2nd at 6:00 pm.
- 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 October 2023, they had 66 calls, of which 45 were EMS assist and 21 were fires. NE= 47%, NW= 12%, SE= 11%, and SW= 38%.
 - ISO review of the district – Chief's report to commissioners: Nothing new to report.
- 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 Monday, December 11, 2023, at 6:30 PM.

VII. Comments from Commissioners on future District-related administrative or operational issues. (No action may be taken.) Business items resulting from comments by Commissioners may become agenda items for the next regular meeting of the ECESD#6.

Commissioner Malone asked commissioners to think about putting money in a separate reserve account for capital improvement expenditures.

VIII. Adjourn:

Commissioner Malone moved to adjourn. Commissioner McCormack seconded, motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.



Chuck McCormack, President
ECESD #6 Board of Commission
November 30, 2023