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

DATE & PLACE: December 11, 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: Ass't Chief Justin Tyner, 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 November 11, 2023 regular meeting: Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the November 11, 2023 regular meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### III. Financial Matters

- A. Review the financial report from the Treasurer for November 2023: Commissioner Bill Howell, gave the November 2023 Treasurer's report. He stated the balance of the capital account as of 11/30/23 was \$372,517.41 and the checking balance was \$291,508.88. The November bills were \$54,005.80 (\$41,135.10 Payroll Expenses, \$6,571.63 other, for EC ESD#6 and \$6,299.07 for ESD6 VFD.) The Forreston VFD November 2023 receipts were \$4,593.09. 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 2023 bills: Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the payment of the November 2023 bills as presented. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded, the motion carried unanimously.
- **C. Status of Transferring District funds to its TexPool account:** Commissioner Malone moved to postpone the transfer of District Funds into the TexPool account until convening the January 2024 meeting.
- **IV. Public Comments:** There were no comments from the public.

#### V. Administrative Matters

- A. Authorize the funding of ESD6 commissioners and fire chiefs to attend the annual State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts (SAFE-D) Conference to be held in Irving, Texas February 22-24, 2024 including their registration fee, travel, room and board expenses. Commissioner Bill Howell moved and Commissioner Rick Beer seconded to approve the expenditure. Motion carried unanimously.
- **B.** Engage an auditor for FY 2023. Commissioner Howell moved to keep YWRD and Commissioner Dale Walling seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Consider commissioners terms expiring at year end and let the court know that commissioners want to be reappointed: Both Commissioners Rick Beer and James Malone have communicated to the Court that they will serve for another two-year term.
- **D.** Status of filing the annual Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) report: Commissioner McCormack stated the report has been completed and filed.
- E. Status of publishing the street address of the District's administrative office in the local newspaper during the month of January. Commissioner McCormack reported that the annual ECESD#6 address posting has been completed timely.

## 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 November 2023, they had 18 runs, of which 8 were EMS assists, 1 good intent call, 1 grass fire, 1 building fire, 1 fire other, 2 motor vehicle accident/no injuries, 1 Lock-out, 1 trash rubbish fire, 1 alarm system activation-no fire, and 1 dispatched/cancelled en route. Chief Curry stated that it has been a little slow and they have had some new applicants.
- 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: Assistant Chief Tyner reported for the month of November 2023, they had 67 calls, of which 42 were EMS assist and 25 were fires. NE= 49%, NW= 3%, SE= 6%, and SW= 42%.
  - **ISO review of the district Chief's report to commissioners**: No word or updates.
- 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, January 15, 2024, 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 7:20 PM.

Chuck McCormack, President ECESD #6 Board of Commission December 31, 2023