

TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #9
Minutes for the Budget Session of the Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, August 13, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
1301 S. Capital of Texas Hwy, Suite B-123
West Lake Hills, Texas

1. Call to Order – 6:25 p.m.
2. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum

Commissioners Present:

Virgil Flathouse (VF)
Steve Hudson (SH)
Kirt Kiester (KK)

Officers Present:

David Wilson (DW)
Walter Groman (WG)
Mitch Thomas (MT)

Others Present:

Ben Williams (BW)
Trevor Davila (TD)
Scott Elkins (SE)
Trent Koenings (TK)

3. Citizens' Communication – The Board of Commissioners welcomes public comments at this point on any issue. The Board will not respond to questions or comments from the public at this time. The Board cannot discuss or take action on matters not listed on the agenda. Speakers must sign up with the Fire Chief or his designee before speaking. Speakers shall limit their comments to two (2) minutes each. – There were no citizens present who wished to speak to the Board.
4. Report from the Firefighters' Association – Firefighters Ben Williams addressed the Board commenting on the upcoming budget process and highlighted their desire to implement a 501(c)9 Healthcare Retirement Account.
5. The Board will consider and possibly take action on the following Items:
 - a. Review and Approve the FY 2019/20 Budget – Chief Wilson led the Commissioners in a discussion on the FY2019/20 budget process highlighting the estimated District valuation, employee salary and benefits, capital items, committed funds and bond debt. After discussion, a motion was made by SH to approve Draft 2 of the FY 2019/20 budget as presented. A second was made by VF. The following vote was recorded:
For: SH and VF
Abstain: KK
The motion to approve Draft 2 of the FY2019/20 budget as presented passed.
 - b. Discuss Tax Rate Scenarios for Fiscal Year 2019/20 – Commissioners reviewed tax rate scenarios from the estimated assessed District valuation to support the budget. No action was taken by the Board.
6. Executive Session to discuss matters included on this agenda as authorized by Texas Government Code (see below). There was no Executive Session.
7. Discuss and Consider action on matters discussed in Executive Session. N/A
8. Set Date and Time of the Next Regular Meeting – Tuesday, August 20, 2019, 6:30 p.m. at 911 Westlake Dr., West Lake Hills, Texas 78746.
9. Adjournment. – 8:09 p.m.

Note: The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section ¶551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), ¶551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property), ¶551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), ¶551.074 (Personnel Matters), and ¶551.076 (Deliberation about Security Devices).

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Steve Hudson

Steve Hudson, Secretary