

TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No. 9
Minutes for a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 6:30 p.m.
911 Westlake Drive
West Lake Hills, Texas

1. Call to Order – 7:10 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum

Commissioners Present:

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

Officers Present:

David Wilson (DW)
Heath Nobles (HN)

Others Present:

Lisa Litman (LL)
Scott Elkins (SE)
Jaysen Maurice (JM)

3. Review and Approve Minutes for the September 10, 2019 Meeting, October 1, 2019 Public Hearing and October 10, 2019 Public Hearing – A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2019 Meeting, October 1, 2019 Public Hearing, and October 10, 2019 Public Hearing. (M – SH, 2nd – KK, V- Unanimous)
4. 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 who wished to speak to the Board.
5. Report from the Firefighters' Union – Firefighter Scott Elkins reported on final fundraising efforts for the Askew Family, the Union election of Officers occurring soon, and the PHEP account.
6. The Board will consider and possibly take action on the following Items:
- a. Resolution Setting the ESD No. 9 Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Tax Rate of \$0.0781 – Commissioners reviewed Resolution 2019-4 for setting the tax rate for fiscal year 2019-2020. A motion was made by SH to move that the property tax rate be set to the same rate as it was last year by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.078. The motion was seconded by KK and a recorded vote was taken on the resolution as follows:
FOR – Virgil Flathouse, Kirt Kiester, Steve Hudson
ABSENT – Steve Wilson, Mikeal Love
 - b. Review of Medical, Dental, Vision, Disability and Life Insurance for 2020 – Jaysen Maurice, Benefit Partners, reviewed the plan renewal for the employer sponsored benefits. After discussion, the Board provided direction to staff to plan to proceed with renewals for the current plans and the Board would decide on plan enhancements (Life Insurance and Teledoc) at the next meeting. The Board will make the approval on the 2020 benefits package at the November meeting.
 - c. Approve the Out of Service Equipment and Capital Building List for Fiscal Year 2018/19 – Chief Wilson presented the Out of Service Equipment and Capital Building List to the Board. A motion was made to approve the fiscal year 2018/19 Out of Service Equipment and Building List. (M – KK, 2nd – SH, V – Unanimous)
 - d. Authorize the Purchase of Two Portable Radios for the Prevention Division – Chief Wilson reviewed the cost of two portable radios. After review and discussion, a motion was made to approve the purchase of two portable Motorola radios. (M – SH, 2nd – KK, V – Unanimous)
 - e. Authorize the Purchase of a 2020 Ford Explorer Interceptor for the Prevention Division – Chief Wilson presented a quote for the purchase of a 2020 Ford Explorer. After review and discussion, a motion was made to approve the purchase of a 2020 Ford Explorer Interceptor from the vehicle replacement committed fund. (M – SH, 2nd – VF, V- Unanimous)
 - f. Invoices Over \$2,000 – Chief Wilson reviewed the invoices over \$2,000 with the Board. A motion was made to approve the expenditures. (M - KK, 2nd – SH, V – Unanimous)

7. Fire Chief's Report
 - a. Operations Report – Chief Wilson reviewed significant incidents and call statistics from the previous month with the Board.
 - b. ESD CC Report and Update – Chief Wilson and VF provided an update to the Board on the September 2019 Meeting.
 - c. Financial Reports – Chief Wilson reviewed the financial reports with the Board including the 4th quarter budget detail update.
8. Executive Session to discuss matters included on this agenda as authorized by Texas Government Code (see below). There was no Executive Session.
9. Discuss and Consider action on matters discussed in Executive Session. N/A
10. Set Date and Time of the next ESD No. 9 Meeting Dates.
 - The next Regular Meetings will be held on November 26, 2019 and December 17, 2019 at 911 Westlake Dr. at the West Lake Hills Council Chambers.
11. Adjournment. – 8:30 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