

TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No. 9
Minutes for a Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners
Tuesday, February 23, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

Due to the state of emergency and/or local disaster caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Board of Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District No. 9 will hold its meeting at 1301 S. Capital of Texas Hwy, Building B, Suite 123, West Lake Hills, Texas, 78746 and via telephone/video conference. The public may participate in the meeting via the internet from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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1. Call to Order. 6:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum.

Commissioners Present:

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

Officers Present:

David Wilson (DW)
Justin Poag (JP)

Other Present:

Scott Elkins (SE)
Jaime Galbreath (JG)
Ray Holliday (RH)
Peri Sutton (PS)

3. Review and Approve Minutes for the January 26, 2021 Regular Meeting. – A motion was made to approve the minutes from the January 26, 2021 meeting. (M – KK, 2nd – SH, V – Unanimous)
4. Citizens' Communication – The Board of Commissioners welcomes public comments at this point on any issue, whether or not included as an item on the agenda. The Board cannot discuss or take action on matters not listed on the agenda. Anyone wishing to speak on any matter, regardless whether included on this agenda, must sign up with the Fire Chief or his designee at esd9comments@gmail.com prior to the meeting. Speakers shall limit their comments to four (4) minutes each.
 - Ray Holiday and Peri Sutton with Brown Reynolds Watford Architects (BRW Architects) joined in on the meeting via Zoom. Ray and Peri have been working with Chief Wilson on some preliminary site studies and designs for a possible third Fire Station. Ray and Peri wanted to join in on the meeting just to introduce themselves, answer any questions the commissioners may have, as well as observe. BRW Architects has been building Fire Stations for over 25 years. Several right here in the Austin area. Welcome!
5. Report from the Firefighters' Union – Firefighter Scott Elkins reported no update on scholarship fund this month. The past 11 days have been very busy due to the winter storm. The department needed all FF's on deck, staffing extra trucks and making sure that the community was taken care of. Everyone really stepped up during these hard times. Shuttling lots of water and food to people in need, transporting people to the hospital, and so much more. The department did a great job making sure the FF's were supplied with food and water and for that, they are so grateful. No calls were left unattended.
6. The Board will consider and possibly take action on the following Items:
 - a. Oath of Office and Statement of an Appointed Official for Appointed or Reappointed Commissioners – Chief Wilson reported that he still hasn't heard anything on reappointment at this time.
 - b. Election of Board of Officers – Commissioners postponed the election to next month's Board Meeting.
 - c. Interlocal Agreement with Travis County ESD 6 for Provisions of Incident Rehabilitation Services – Chief Wilson presented agreement drafted by our attorney Doug Young. – A motion was made to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Travis County ESD # 6 (M - SH, 2nd – SW, V – Unanimous)

- d. Interlocal Agreement with the City of Austin for an EMS Post Location at Fire Station 902 – Chief Wilson presented Agreement between City of Austin and Travis County ESD # 9 for EMS post locations.
 - e. Interlocal Participation Agreement for The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative – Chief Wilson presented Agreement to join The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative and register as a Government Agency. – A motion was made to approve the Agreement (M - SH, 2nd – SW, V – Unanimous)
 - f. Resolution 2021-2 to Join the Local Government Cooperative – Chief Wilson presented Resolution 2021-2 to join The Local Government Cooperative. – A motion was made to approve Resolution 2021-2 (M - SH, 2nd – SW, V – Unanimous)
 - g. 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 – Chief Wilson
- a. Operations Report- Chief Wilson reviewed the events of interest during January, updates on Strategic Planning Session, and statistics from the previous month.
 - i. Winter Storm Response Report – Chief Wilson reviewed the winter storm response report, hazardous weather protocol, and Water PODS.
 - b. ESD CC Report and Update - There was no ESD CC meeting to report on.
 - c. Financial Reports – Chief Wilson reviewed the financial reports with the Board.
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 Regular ESD No. 9 Meeting. – The next regular meeting of the Commissioner will be held Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
11. Adjournment. 7:35 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). Travis County Emergency Services District No. 9 is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call the District at 512-539-3400 for information. Hearing impaired or speech disabled persons equipped with telecommunications devices for the deaf may call the statewide Relay Texas Program, 1-800-735-2988.

Steve Hudson

Steve Hudson, Secretary