

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

DATE & PLACE December 15, 2020, Tuesday
Ellis County ESD#6 Fire Station No. 1
1816 FM 66, Waxahachie, Texas
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT Chuck McCormack, President
James Malone, Vice President
Bill Howell, Ass't Treasurer
Rick Beer, Secretary

CHIEFS PRESENT Chief Jake Escamilla
Chief Wes Curry - FVFD

Three guests were present.

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Certification of a Quorum, and Invocation:** Commissioner Chuck McCormack, President, called the meeting to order and declared a quorum present with only Commissioner Tommy Hamilton, Treasurer, absent. Chief Jake Escamilla led the invocation.
- II. Approve the minutes of the November 16, 2020 regular meeting:** Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the November 16, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Financial Matters

A. Receive and approve payment of ECESD#6 bills and review the financial reports: Commissioner Bill Howell, Ass't Treasurer, gave the November 2020 treasurer's report. He stated the balance of the capital account as of 11/30/20 was \$702,010.88 and the checking balance was \$199,503.38. The November 2020 bills were \$87,669.71 (\$80,422.47 for EC ESD#6 and \$7,247.24 for ESD#6 VFD). The November 2020 Forreton VFD receipts were in the amount of \$3,173.32. 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 ECESD#6 bills:
Commissioner James Malone moved to approve the payment of the November 2020 ECESD#6 bills as presented. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Commissioner James Malone moved to sign Insurance and Workers Comp premium checks outside of and before the January meeting to avoid cancellation. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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

V. Administrative Matters

A. Update on Phase II paving at ESD#6 VFD Station #1: Chief Escamilla reported that all the paving had been completed and final payment was mailed.

- B. Consider engaging the District's accounting firm, and discuss annual audit format for the district:** Commissioner Bill Howell moved to authorize Commissioner McCormack to sign an engagement letter with Yeldell, Wilson, Wood, Reeve, & Diviney (YWRD, P.C.) commissioning their firm to complete an ECESD#6 annual audit.

VI. Operational Matters

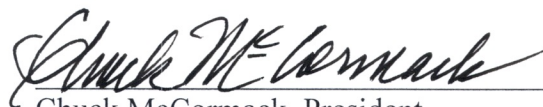
- A. Receive Chief Wes Curry's Forreton VFD monthly report regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership.** Chief Wes Curry reported 17 total calls with 4 being EMS assists and 6 grass fires.
- B. Receive report from Chief Jake Escamilla on ESD#6 VFD and ECESD#6 regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership:** Chief Escamilla reported 66 calls for the month with 47 of these being EMS related and 5 grass fires. Training at burn house was cancelled due to COVID 19 Virus.
- **Report on the progress of the currently ongoing ISO review of the district:** Chief Escamilla reported that he has an ISO meeting on January 14, 2021 to go over all the paperwork..
 - **Update on P-25 Public Safety Radio conversion process:** Chief reported that they are still finalizing the bid. Chief will call for a rep to come to the next meeting if possible.
 - **Update on acquisition of a 2.5-ton military truck now available through a grant by the Texas Forest Service:** Chief Escamilla reported that the truck should be completed by the middle of January 2021.
- C. Set the date and time for the ECESD#6 next regular meeting:** The date and time for the ECESD#6 next regular meeting was set for Monday, January 11, 2021 at 6:30 PM at the ESD6 Station #1 at 1816 FM 66, Waxahachie, Texas.

VII. Commissioner Comments

Comments from Commissioners on future District-related administrative or operational issues: Commissioner Chuck McCormack reported he will miss Tommy Hamilton's service to the ECESD#6 Board of Commissioners over the last few years and also welcomed former Commissioner Randy Johnston back on the board. Merry Christmas to all!!

VIII. Adjourn

Commissioner James Malone moved to adjourn. Commissioner Rick Beer seconded. Meeting adjourned, without objection, at 7:45 PM.



Chuck McCormack, President
ECESD #6 Board of Commissioner
December 31, 2020