

Hardin County Emergency Services District 2

Minutes of the Meeting of February 27, 2020

The meeting was called to order by President Erbelding at 6:00 PM. Roll call showed present Commissioners Evans, O'Blanc, Erbelding, Tumbleson, Koch and Attorney Guy Goodson. Chief McNeel offered the opening prayer and pledges were said to the US and Texas flags.

1. Meeting in closed or executive session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code:

a. 551.071, Government Code – Consult with legal counsel

b. 551.074, Government Code – Personnel

The Board went into executive session at 6:04 and returned at 6:15 under 551.074; stated nothing to report.

2. Public Comments- None

3. Reports

a. Fire & EMS Auxiliary report- None

b. Fire Chief's Report-

- 162 Patient Care reports, 57% transports and 43% non-transports. 65 fire records.
- Hosted LEPC meeting, EMS billing income is up above last year; officer strategic planning meeting.
- Volunteer training on-going; will change to 2 monthly training nights.
- Boy Scout tour; EMS standby for *Run 4 Endurance 10k*; station blood drive.
- 59 total personnel
 - 15 Active Volunteers
 - 2 Auxiliary
 - 15 Full time Operations Paid
 - 6 Administrative
 - 5 Board Members

c. ESD Reports or comments

- i. Update of repairs at Station 3** - repairs on are going at this time.
- ii. Update and discussion on the SAFE-D Conference-** Commissioner Tumbleson discussed the General Truck Lift Gate, next year's budget an electric pump.

4. Consent Agenda Items

- a. Treasurer's Report**
- b. Payment of Account Payable**
- c. Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Tumbleson made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Commissioner O'Blanc 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

5. Regular Agenda Items

- a. Discussion and possible action on making changes in our participation in the SFFMA program - Tabled**
- b. Discussion and possible action to learn of the Public Employee Benefits Alliance- Tabled**
- c. Discussion and possible action on the Health Insurance pay for full time employees- McNeel provided the new "Collective Plan" under TML health insurance that gives employees various choices of co-pays and deductibles. Commissioner O'Blanc made a motion to accept TML as our health insurance carrier with the new Collective Plans. Commissioner Tumbleson 2nd the motion. Motion carried.**
- d. Same as "c" – omitted**
- e. Same as "b" – omitted**
- f. Discussion and possible action on Senate Bill 2 and the effects on our Ad Valorem income, budget and tax rate- Attorney Guy Goodson discussed SB2 in length, there were no motions or actions.**

6. Items for the next agenda-

- Back injury prevention program
- SFFMA costs and benefits
- PEBA program through TML
- TML health insurance costs allowance for full time employees

- 7. Adjournment-** Commissioner Tumbleson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Koch 2nd the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:14 P<

President Fritz Erbeling

Secretary Ernie Koch