

Hardin County Emergency Services District 2

Minutes of the Meeting of April 15, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Erbelding at 6:00 PM. Roll call showed present Commissioners Evans, O'Blanc, Erbelding, and Koch; Commissioner Tumbleson was absent; Attorney Kate Leverett was present. 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**
None
- 2. Public comments on consent and regular agenda items-** None
- 3. Reports**
 - a. Fire & EMS Auxiliary report-** None
 - b. Fire Chief's report regarding emergency operations, response time, call volume, management activities and personnel-** Chief McNeel
 - 18 calls on Good Friday alone, rolled only 1 call
 - The volunteer program is growing
 - Mutual aid with Silsbee Fire Department for a structure fire
 - 3 volunteers and 3 paid personnel completed the Texas Forestry Wildland fire fighting classes
 - Station 3 needs plumber work repair and Central station has roof leaks
 - Station 3's property line is not correct and will have to be re-surveyed
 - Volunteer staff will have a training day at Station 3 soon
 - c. ESD reports or comments**
 - i. Update of repairs Station 3**
 - ii. Update on COVID-19 in our area**
No comment

4. Consent agenda items:

- a. Treasurer's report**
- b. Payment of accounts payable**
- c. Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner O'Blanc made a motion to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Commissioner Erbelding 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA

5. Regular Agenda Items:

- a. Discussion and possible action to change EMS billing companies for the EMS billing-** Commissioner Erbelding made a motion to notify EMERGICON that we will not be renewing the contract. Commissioner Koch 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
- b. Discussion and possible action to purchase 2 Stryker Auto Lift Stretchers-** Commissioner O'Blanc made a motion to purchase two Stryker stretchers for \$77,028 plus installation fees. Commissioner Erbelding 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

6. Items for the agenda of the next meeting-

- i. Station 3 property line

7. Adjournment- Commissioner O'Blanc made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Erbelding 2nd the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6:34 PM.

President, Fritz Erbelding

Secretary, Ernie Koch