



North Hays County
Emergency Services District #1
P. O. Box 1604, Dripping Springs, Texas 78620

Approved on
March 17, 2020

Minutes – 2-18-2020

Commissioners Present

President, Geoffrey Tahuahua
Vice President, Walt Krudop
Secretary, Robert A. Luddy
Treasurer, Dan O'Brien
Asst. Treasurer, Dennis Lane

Commissioners Absent

None

Others Present

Doug Fowler, NHCESD1
Chief Scott Collard
Chief David Smith, SMHC EMS
Deputy Chief Jim Swisher, SMHC EMS
Jolind Tays, SMHC EMS

Others Absent

- A. Meeting called to order at 5:02 pm by Vice President Krudop and confirmed a quorum. President Tahuahua was delayed due to traffic.
- B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION - None
- C. CONSENT AGENDA
Commissioner Lane made a motion to approve the consent agenda, second by Commissioner Luddy. Motion passed unanimously.
- D. REPORTS
1. Chief Collard with North Hays County Fire/Rescue (NHCFR) reported on January activity. He also discussed the ground breaking for the new station is scheduled for March 7th at 1:00 pm.
 2. Chief Smith with San Marcos Hays County EMS (SMHC EMS) reported on January activity, performance measures, and financial status to date. The service contract was returned by legal council (John Carlton and Ken Campbell) after their review and revision. The Board had not seen a copy and President Tahuahua directed the District Administrator (DA) to send out the latest version to the Board.
 3. District Administrator.
 - a. Activity/Office Report – DA Fowler reported that in addition to what was submitted to the Board, the commode in the west bathroom was out of service due to a corroded flange.
 - 1) SAFE-D Conference Update – DA Fowler Reported all registrations and reservations have been confirmed. No further action is necessary.
 - 2) Tablets for Board Members – The Board decided to move forward with the purchase of Firstnet phones through AT&T, and iPads through Best Buy.
Commissioner Lane motions to approve DA Fowler to procure XR or XS iPhones at commissioner discretion at the price listed in option 1 of the meeting packet and a WIFI only tablet at a price not to exceed \$330 per tablet, give or take 10% covering both; and specifies that the devices can be used for ESD business only, and to include backup and setup by Heart of Texas IT. Seconded by Commissioner Krudop. Motion passed unanimously



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Commissioner Krudop motions to procure cases for phones and tablets not to exceed \$150 per combo. Second by Commissioner O'Brien. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Office operation – Nothing more to report.
- c. Annual Financial Audit – DA Fowler reported all requested documents have been submitted. Anticipated completion date is mid March.
- 4. Emergency vehicle travel accommodation during future US290/TX71 interchange construction. – Nothing new to report.

E. COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 1. Consider Committee Assignments – The Commissioners made the following adjustments listed in parentheses below:
- 2. Community Outreach Committee. (Tahuahua & Luddy)
- 3. Website/Facebook Committee. (Tahuahua & Lane)
- 4. Finance Committee. (O'Brien, Lane)
 - a. Consider adjustments to Board Members listed on TexPool and Broadway accounts. – The Board discussed the necessity to ensure at least two, and at times all members be listed on external accounts. An account list is to be created by DA Fowler for the Board to review at the next meeting.
- 5. Budget & Long-Range Planning Committee. – The Board discussed the need to work with ESD 6 regarding future facilities. DA Fowler will work with Chief Collard to set up a joint ESD 1 & 6 committee to begin discussions.
 - a. Post-FY2019 contract for EMS services. (O'Brien, Lane) – Reported earlier during the SMHC EMS report
- 6. Future property acquisitions and stations. (O'Brien, Lane) – General discussion of size requirements for a new station as it applies to the land search.
- 7. Hays County Dispatch Center Oversight Committee. (Tahuahua) – Nothing new to report.
- 8. Public Information Officer. (Lane) – No report.

F. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Legal update. Input from and legal questions for John Carlton. – No report

G. NEW BUSINESS - None

ADJOURNMENT at 7:21 pm