Approved August 18, 2020

Minutes - 7-21-2020 Meeting

<u>Commissioners Present via Teleconference</u>

Treasurer Dan O'Brien President Geoffrey Tahuahua

Vice President Walt Krudop

Secretary Bob Luddy

Assistant Treasurer Dennis Lane

Others Present via Teleconference

Doug Fowler, NHCESD#1 Scott Collard
David Smith
Jim Swisher

Matt Weinberg Jolind Hays

Commissioners Absent

None

- **A. CALL TO ORDER** Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Commissioner O'Brien and confirmed a quorum. A teleconference option was exercised due to coronavirus restrictions. The meeting was recorded and is available upon request until it can be uploaded onto the website.
- **B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION None**

C. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Consider approval of the minutes for Regular Board Meeting on June 16, 2020
- 2. Consider approval of the minutes for the Special Board Meeting on June 16, 2020
- 3. Consider approval of the July 2020 Treasurer's Report
- 4. Consider approval of the Quarterly (April-June 2020) Investment Report
- 5. Consider approval of July Disbursements
- 6. Consider acknowledgement of HdL Report
- 7. Consider acknowledgement of the District Calendar and Task List.
- 8. Consider acknowledgement of the District Administrator's Status of Projects and Repairs Report
- 9. Consider Acknowledgement of the District Administrator's Response Activity Report
- 10. Consider approval of the mail log
- 11. Consider approval of the revised administrative assistant job description
- 12. Consider acknowledgement of the revised Fire Box Map

Motion to approve the consent agenda by Commissioner Lane, 2nd by Commissioner Krudop. Roll call vote:

Commissioner Tahuahua - Yay

Commissioner Luddy – Yay

Commissioner Lane - Yay

Commissioner Krudop – Yay

Commissioner O'Brien - Yay

Motion passed unanimously.

D. REPORTS

- 1. North Hays County Fire/Rescue (NHCFR)
 - a. Status of shared facilities at new Sawyer Ranch Rd station:
 Chief Collard reported on response activity and the progress of construction for Fire Station 74
- 2. San Marcos Hays County EMS (SMHC EMS)

Report by Chief Smith on the latest COVID-19 information.

Report by Matt Weinberg on Response data

Report by Jolind Tays on June financials as well as year to date financials.

- 3. District Administrator (DA)
 - a. Administrative Assistant Salary Survey

DA Fowler reported on the findings of a salary survey for administrative assistants in the local area. The finding was the current d4raft 2021 budget reflects adequate funding for the part-time administrative assistant position, when a hire is made.

b. Certificates of appreciation during pandemic

DA Fowler requested and received approval to proceed on the development of Certificates of appreciation, with several noted corrections to the document.

c. Marketing Plan

DA Fowler reported the draft marketing plan was reviewed by Commissioner Krudop with several recommendations included in the current document. The intent of the plan to provide general direction while providing for modifications as needed. No Board action is required.

4. Emergency vehicle travel accommodation during future US290/TX71 interchange construction.

DA Fowler reported on the highlights of an advisory meeting provided by the project consultant. Several options regarding the width of the right of way were presented. The decisions regarding the final path of the roadway will not be finalized until 2022. There is currently no funding for this project. The next advisory board meeting has not been scheduled.

E. COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Community Outreach Committee (Tahuahua & Luddy)

Nothing to report

2. Website/Facebook Committee (Tahuahua & Lane)

Nothing to report

3. Finance Committee (O'Brien, Lane)

Discussed at the Special Meeting held earlier in the day.

4. Budget & Long-Range Planning Committee (O'Brien, Lane)

Discussed at the Special Meeting held earlier in the day.

5. Future property acquisitions and stations (O'Brien & Lane)

a. Station location planning (Fowler)

DA Fowler reviewed a station location report with maps indicating response times. It is recommended that work proceed to secure property on RR 12, within a two-mile area between Fitzhugh Road to the north and Dripping Springs Elementary School to the south.

- 6. Hays County Dispatch Center Oversight Committee. (Tahuahua)

 Chief Smith updated the Board on the status of the dispatch center.
- Public Information Officer (Lane)
 Nothing to report

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss House Resolution 7073 and take any related action

DA Fowler presented a draft support letter for House Resolution 7073, which specifically identifies emergency service districts for federal funding items in the future. Current COVID-19 funding to state and local governments excludes emergency service districts. The federal government does not recognize emergency service district which prevent any kind of federal funding. The Board approved moving forward with a letter of support signed by the Board President.

G. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

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

Motion to adjourn meeting by Commissioner Krudop, 2nd by Commissioner Luddy. Roll call vote:

Commissioner Tahuahua - Yay

Commissioner Luddy – Yay

Commissioner Lane – Yay

Commissioner Krudop – Yay

Commissioner O'Brien - Yay

Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT at 6:30 pm