

COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION Rockwall Historic Courthouse 101 East Rusk Rockwall, Texas 75087 972-204-6000

Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, February 24, 2021 – 4:30 PM

ABSENT

Brownie Sherrill (Rowlett)

<u>PRESENT</u>

James Branch (Royse City)

Allen Robbins (Fate)

Brian Davis (McLendon-Chisholm)

Trace Johannesen (Rck) (arrived at 4:47 p.m.)

Frank New (Heath)

Janet Nichol (Royse City)

Kenny Phillips (Mobile City)

Jim Pruitt (Rockwall)

Christopher Ash (Fate)

Cliff Sevier (Rck. Co.)

I. GENERAL BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

President of the ESC, David Sweet, called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m. with the above listed board members being present and absent.

2. Open Forum / Public Comments

Sweet asked if anyone would like to come forth and speak at this time. Rockwall Police Chief Max Geron briefly spoke, thanking everyone from the County's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) for all of their assistance during the severe winter snow and ice storm that occurred last week. Sweet echoed Geron's comments, briefly thanking the OEM staff and personnel from throughout Rockwall County for their assistance and efforts in dealing with the winter storm event. There being no one else wishing to speak at this time, Sweet closed Open

3. Discuss / act on approval of the minutes from the Jan. 20, 2021 regular ESC Board meeting.

Board Member New moved to approve the minutes as presented. Board Member Robbins seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present.

4. Discuss / act on monthly ES Corp. Treasurer's Report

Sweet indicated that David Peek (Treasurer) was not present this evening, so no discussion took place. Board Member New made a motion to accept the monthly report, as presented. Board Member Phillips seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present.

5. Discuss / act on monthly Emergency Management program report

Barbara Neville, County Emergency Management Coordinator, and Jarod Rosson, Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator, came forth and briefed the board on monthly activities related to the County Office of Emergency Management. No action was taken as a result of this agenda item discussion.

6. Discuss / act on report(s) regarding recent winter storm weather event

Sweet verbally discussed this item, thanking the City of Rockwall and other communities within the county (i.e. Heath) for opening up "warming centers" for use by members of the public who had become displaced due to prolonged electricity / power outages during last week's storm event(s). No action was taken as a result of this brief discussion.

7. Discuss / act on update regarding mass vaccinations (COVID-19) within the county

Sweet, Neville and Rosson provided extensive details pertaining to recent efforts to receive and administer COVID-19 vaccinations throughout Rockwall County, including associated challenges and concerns as well as upcoming dates for vaccination administration. No action was taken as a result of this lengthy discussion item.

8. Discuss / act on possible formation of a joint, countywide Health District, including interest of member cities in participating

Sweet called forth the ESC's legal counsel, Craig Stoddart, who provided brief comments pertaining to this agenda item. He indicated that formation of a public health district falls under Title 2; Subtitle F; Chapter 121; Subchapter A of the Health and Safety Code. He passed out a copy of said Code to board members in attendance, inviting them to review said Code between now and next month's meeting. Indication was given that it may be worthwhile for Mr. Stoddart to also review the ES Corporation's bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. The board took no formal action pertaining to this discussion item.

9. Adjournment

Sweet adjourned this portion of the meeting at 5:59 p.m.

II. AMBULANCE SERVICES (EMS) BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

Sweet called this portion of the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

2. Discuss / act on monthly ambulance services reports and associated contract compliance.

Mitch Ownby of Rockwall County EMS came forth and briefly spoke about monthly reports for January 2021. Sweet moved to accept the reports, as presented. Board Member Johannesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present.

3. Adjournment

Sweet adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY

SERVICES CORPORATION ON THIS THE 17th DAY OF MARCH, 202

ATTEST:

Kristy Cole - Assistant Secretary,

Board of Directors - County of Rockwall ESC

David Sweet

County Judge and President, County of Rockwall

ESC Board of Directors

