



MINUTES

COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION

Rockwall Historic Courthouse 101 East Rusk Rockwall, Texas 75087 972-204-6000

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 - 5:00 PM

PRESENT

Christopher Ash (Fate)
David Billings (Fate)
James Branch (Royse City)
Brian Davis (McLendon Chisholm)
Kevin Fowler (Rockwall)
Trace Johannesen (Rck)
Janet Nichol (Rockwall County)
Kenny Phillips (Mobile City)
Brownie Sherrill (Rowlett)
David Sweet (Rockwall County)

ABSENT

Frank New (Heath)

I. GENERAL BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

Sweet called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. with the above listed board members being present and absent.

2. Open Forum / Public Comments

No one came forth to speak during Open Forum.

3. Discuss / act on approval of the minutes from the May 19, 2021 regular ESC board meeting

Board Member Phillips moved to approve the minutes as presented. Board Member Sherrill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

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

David Peek, Treasurer of the ESC, briefed the board on his monthly report. Board Member Johannesen moved to accept the treasurer's report, as presented. Board Member Billings seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

5. Discuss / act on monthly Emergency Management program report

Barbara Neville, County Emergency Management Coordinator, briefed the board on her monthly report, including ongoing training programs, tools, partnerships, public education, collaboration, etc. She shared that the County is no longer hosting COVID-19 vaccination clinics; however, there are at least eighteen (18)

providers offering the vaccine at this time. She went on to briefly speak on public education efforts related to severe weather, debris management planning efforts, and a public health survey that will be sent out to members of the ESC Board soon. Also, the 2011 countywide mutual aid plan will soon be updated (mainly the cost-related / FEMA reimbursement section of the plan). The last countywide COVID call will take place on Monday. Also, a recent Fate citizen survey reflected 100% improvement in the county Emergency Management's "approval rating."

Board Member Billings made a motion to accept the Emergency Management report as presented. Board Member Sherrill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

6. Discuss / act on annual selection of board officers, including the following:
 - a) President c) Secretary e) Treasurer
 - b) Vice President d) Assistant Secretary

Sweet provided background information concerning this agenda item, explaining that the following individuals currently serve in each of the roles:

President – David Sweet
Vice President – Janet Nichol
Secretary – David Billings
Asst. Secretary – Kristy Cole
Treasurer – David Peek.

Board Member Branch then moved to reappoint the above named individuals, having them continue to serve in their respective positions. Board Member Sherrill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

7. Discuss / act on the following preliminary ES Corporation budgets for Fiscal Year 2022:
 - a) Administrative / Operating Budget
 - b) Law Enforcement Training Facility Operating Budget
 - d) Ambulance Services Program Budget

Mary Smith, Interim City Manager (and Finance Director) for City of Rockwall briefed the board on the preliminary budgets for the upcoming, new fiscal year. She explained how the various allocations are arrived at and how they are calculated per participating entity. Following brief discussion, Board Member Johannesen moved to forward these proposed budgets to each entity of the ESC. Board Member Billings seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

8. Adjournment

Sweet adjourned this portion of the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

II. AMBULANCE SERVICES (EMS) BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

Sweet called this portion of the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

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

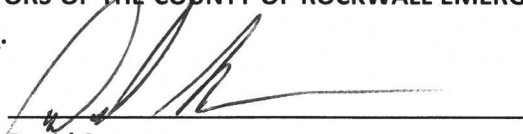
Mitch Ownby of Medic Rescue / Rockwall County EMS came forth and briefed the board on his monthly reports for May. Indication was given that he missed the goal for the Northeast quadrant of the county as far as ambulance response time is concerned. He generally explained that the reason was that computer aided

dispatching (CAD) phones were offline, so the ambulance was late leaving the station, and late response times resulted. Board Member Billings of Fate indicated that he has discussed his concerns related to the late response time(s) with the Fate city manager and public safety director. He recommends that the board consider NOT invoking contract-related penalties at this time. In lieu of penalties – for now – he would like to see the company come back to the board next month with a full analysis / report concerning plans on how they will keep their technology up-to-date (a “root cause analysis” is what Billings called it). He would also like information on how the provider plans to address and manage roadway construction, traffic and growth for this year and next year, especially considering that Interstate 30 throughout the County will be under major reconstruction. Discussion ensued pertaining to “late calls” and various causes of calls being ‘late.’ Possible solutions were also briefly discussed. Billings then made a motion to accept the EMS monthly report(s) as written and delay a decision regarding invoking contract-related ‘liquidated damages’ for the time being. Sweet seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New - absent).

3. Adjournment

Sweet adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION ON THIS THE 21st DAY OF JULY, 2021.



David Sweet
County Judge and President, County of Rockwall
ESC Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Kristy Cole - Assistant Secretary,
Board of Directors - County of Rockwall ESC

