

MINUTES

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

Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, July 21, 2021 - 5:00 PM

PRESENT

Christopher Ash (Fate)
David Billings (Fate)
Brian Davis (McLendon Chisholm)
Janet Nichol (Rockwall County)
Kenny Phillips (Mobile City)
Brownie Sherrill (Rowlett)
David Sweet (Rockwall County)

ABSENT

Frank New (Heath) Kevin Fowler (Rockwall) Trace Johannesen (Rck) James Branch (Royse City)

I. GENERAL BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

Sweet called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. with the above named board members being present and absent.

2. Open Forum / Public Comments

Sweet introduced Royse City Mayor, Clay Ellis, who was recently appointed to serve on the ESC board (is an additional representative, based on updated population numbers). Sweet then asked if anyone would like to come forth and address the ESC at this time. There being no one indicating such, he then moved to the next agenda item.

3. Discuss / act on approval of the minutes from the June 16, 2021 regular ESC board meeting

Board Member Nichol moved to approve the minutes, as presented. Board Member Sherrill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New, Fowler, Johannesen, and Branch absent).

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

David Peek, Treasurer of the ESC, came forth and briefed the board on his monthly report. Following brief discussion, Board Member Billings moved to accept the report as presented. Board Member Sherrill seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New, Fowler, Johannesen, and Branch absent).

5. Discuss / act on monthly Emergency Management program report

Barbara Neville, County Emergency Management Coordinator, briefed the board on her department's monthly report, including a recent push being made for public education and personal emergency preparedness. She indicated that about 30 volunteers recently met to discuss and plan for public education efforts moving forward. She spoke about a recent public health survey that was conducted, and she briefed the board on the results. Following Neville's comments, Dr. Perritt (advisor to the ESC Board and County Health Official) briefly spoke about public health departments in general. He pointed out that we are seeing an up-tick in COVID-19, including the "Delta Variant." We are also seeing significant sickness in those who are unvaccinated. At this point, if anyone has not received the vaccine, it is by personal choice, as it is readily available (and has been for quite some time) at many providers. Currently, there is plenty of ICU bed capacity both locally in Rockwall County and in Dallas. The board took no action as a result of this agenda item.

- 6. Discuss / act on the following preliminary ES Corporation budgets for Fiscal Year 2022:
 - a) Administrative / Operating Budget
 - b) Law Enforcement Training Facility Operating Budget
 - c) Emergency Management Budget

No action was taken concerning this agenda item. Indication was given that the board will formally approve annual budgets at its September meeting.

7. Adjournment

The board adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

II. AMBULANCE SERVICES (EMS) BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

Sweet called this portion of the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

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

Mitch Ownby of Medic Rescue / Rockwall County EMS came forth and briefed the board on his monthly reports. Following Ownby's briefing, Mayor Billings (board member) of Fate thanked Mr. Ownby for his staff's work pertaining to a recent EMS-related call that involved a child in his city.

Mr. Ownby briefly spoke about his company hiring a new Medical Director, and he indicated that the physician's credentials had been distributed to the ESC board members in their informational meeting packet. Per the EMS service contract between Medic Rescue and the ESC, appointment of this new medical director will require approval of the ESC board. He will seek said approval at the August ESC board meeting.

Sweet indicated that some representatives are currently reviewing the existing EMS contract and will be making some recommendations regarding the contract at some point in the future.

Sweet then moved to accept the EMS monthly report(s) as presented. Board Member Billings seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (New, Fowler, Johannesen, and Branch absent).

3. Adjournment

Sweet adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

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

CORPORATION ON THIS THE 18th DAY OF AUGUST, 2021.

ATTEST:

Kristy Cole - Assistant Secretary,

Board of Directors - County of Rockwall ESC

David Sweet

County Judge and President, County of Rockwall

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