



MINUTES

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

Regular Board Meeting **Wednesday, July 19, 2023 - 5:00 PM**

PRESENT

David Billings (Fate)
James Branch (Royse City)
Heather Beugeler (Fate)
Clay Ellis (Royse City)
Trace Johannesen (Rockwall)
Dennis Lewis (Rockwall)
Bryan McNeal (McLendon Chisholm)
Frank New (Rockwall County)
Brandon Peterson (Heath)
Deb Shinder (Rowlett)
Brandon Seery (Heath)

ABSENT

Dana Macalik (Rockwall County)
Kenny Phillips (Mobile City)

I. GENERAL BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

ESC President, Frank New called the meeting to order at 5:00.

2. Open Forum / Public Comments

No one came forth to speak at this time. Mayor Billings of Fate introduced their new Assistant City Manager, Steven Downs.

3. Discuss / act on approving minutes of the May 17, 2023 regular ESC board meeting

Board Member Branch moved to approve the minutes. Board Member Lewis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (Macalik and Phillips – absent).

4. Discuss / act on monthly ESC Treasurer's Report(s)

David Peek briefed the board on monthly reports for May and June. Board Member Shinder moved to accept the reports as presented. Board Member Ellis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (Macalik and Phillips – absent).

5. Discuss / act on the following preliminary ES Corporation budgets for Fiscal Year 2024:

- a) Administrative / Operating Budget**
- b) Law Enforcement Training Facility Operating Budget**
- c) Emergency Management Program Budget**

Rockwall City Manager, Mary Smith briefed the board on these preliminary budgets for the upcoming fiscal year. Board Member Johannesen made a motion to distribute these budgets to each ESC member jurisdiction for consideration and inclusion in their own entity's annual budget proposal. Board Member Shinder seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (Macalik and Phillips – absent)

6. Adjournment

This portion of the meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

II. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

This portion was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Discuss / act on monthly countywide Emergency Management Program report(s), including recap of July 15 countywide joint 'active shooter' training exercise

Jarod Rosson, County Emergency Management Coordinator, briefed the board on the last two months of departmental program reports. He indicated that the recent, countywide 'active shooter' mock training exercise held on July 15 at Hays Elementary School in Rockwall went very well. It wrapped up notably sooner than expected, and a few minor areas of concern were identified. Overall, the county seems to be well prepared, and an 'after action' review meeting will be held in a couple of weeks to debrief with the various participants. Board Member Branch of Royse City commented that, as a city that recently had a real life experience with this sort of emergency, he is grateful to everyone who participated, showed up and helped. Board Member Johannesen shared that he was personally thoroughly impressed with how well the training exercise went, and he thanked everyone involved in the efforts. Board Member Shinder indicated that the City of Rowlett will be doing an active shooter exercise next week.

Mr. Rosson shared an update about his department attempting to migrate to an alternative for NIXLE by switching over to Everbridge for public emergency notifications (via texts, emails). Staff is diligently working on the transition. The hope is to avoid having to have existing NIXLE users have to go sign up separately for Everbridge. They are instead hoping that the existing NIXLE user database can be transferred over to Everbridge.

The board took no action as a result of this discussion item.

3. Adjournment

This portion was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

III. AMBULANCE SERVICES (EMS) BOARD MEETING

1. Call public meeting to order

This portion of the meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m.

2. Discuss / act on monthly countywide ambulance service report(s) and related contractual compliance

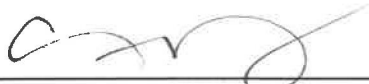
Mitch Ownby of Medic Rescue / Rockwall County EMS briefed the board on monthly reports for May and June. He shared that they respond to approximately 10,000 EMS calls per year (both emergency and non-emergency calls). He shared that their staffing is trending positively, with some recent EMTs graduating and coming on board. They currently have only one job vacancy (out of about 30 positions). One truck is on order with an estimated delivery of December 2023. Brief discussion took place regarding non-emergency patient transfers and associated volume.

Board Member Billings then moved to accept the monthly EMS reports. Board Member Johannesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously (Macalik and Phillips – absent)

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION ON THIS 20th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023.



Frank New
President, County of Rockwall ESC Board of Directors

ATTEST:



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

