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**Hardin County Emergency**

**Services District No. 6**

**Minutes for Regular Meeting: March 11, 2025 at 6:30 PM**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Hardin County ESD 6, on Tuesday March, 2025 will hold a 6:30 PM meeting at Silsbee Fire Department, 1205 N 5th St., Silsbee, Texas 77656. HCESD6 may hold the meeting under the provision of Government Code 551.127. A quorum will be present.

1. Call to Order.
2. Opening Prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and roll call.
   1. Board
      1. Robin Jones- Fire Chief
      2. David Andersen – President
      3. Randal Stephens – Vice President
      4. Tommy Bartosh – Treasurer
      5. Joe Simpson – Assistant Treasurer
      6. Joe Clark – Secretary
      7. Anna Seale- Attorney-Germer P.L.L.C.
   2. Recognize Visitors- Please see sign-in sheet
      1. Rich from Streamline via zoom (15 minute)
      2. Katie Biggers from HDL companies re: Sales Tax (15 minute)
      3. Speaker Michael Hendrix Def Core I.T. Solutions re: Computer Networking (15 minute)
3. Public Comments – Limited to 3 minutes; no formal action, discussion, deliberation, or comment will be made by the Board of Commissioners.
4. Ambulance Report- Jason Cooper- Acadian
   1. Please see report
5. Grant Writer - Angela Ungles- Update/ discuss and/or approve applying for any current grants the Station may be eligible for and answer any questions the board may have. Angela has several different grants she will be submitting for the station pending delivery of documents she’s requested that they each require to proceed with said submissions.
6. Fire Chief’s Report- Robin Jones: Runs for February 2025- **71** Year to date- **160**

Fires- **12**,Medical- **57,** Hazardous- **2,** Service Calls- **0**,False Alarms- **0**

1. Consent Agenda Items:
   1. Approval of last meeting minute- Motion made by Joe Clark and seconded by Tommy Bartosh to approve last meeting minutes.
   2. Treasurer’s Report provided by Tommy Bartosh and Approval for Payments of Accounts Payable: Please see report- Motion made by Randall Stephens and seconded by Joe Simpson to approve payments of accounts payable.
2. Business- (The following business, a-d have been tabled and will be revisited during a scheduled workshop to discuss in further detail and possibly act on at that time.) Motion made to table a-d by Randall Stephens and seconded by Tommy Bartosh.
   1. Review/ Discuss/ Possible Action: Streamline
   2. Review/ Discuss/ Possible Action: Def Cor I.T.
   3. Review/ Discuss/ Possible Action: HDL Companies
   4. Review/ Discuss/ Possible Action: Request to discuss and possibly implement a district policy to require all RFP’s (request for proposal’s) regardless of dollar amount, to solicit 3 bids and be published in the local paper. (Please see copy of said proposal referred to in SAFE-D Handbook, will attach copy)- Assistant Treasurer, Joe Simpson- Joe Simpson will be working on creating a Policy and Procedure Manual for ESD6 that will hold all policies that are currently in effect and add or revise any that need to be so that they are all in one place for ease of access to members and the community.
3. Action Items
   1. Review/ Approve: Request to order 50 gallons of foam for the brush trucks- $1,000.00- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion made to approve purchase by Joe Clark and seconded by Randall Stephens.
   2. Review/ Approve: Request to order a 48’’ pipe pole- $80.00- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion made to approve the ordering of the pipe pole by Joe Clark and seconded by Randall Stephens.
   3. Review/ Approve: Request for the purchase of a class A fire truck- $500,000.00- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion was made by Joe Simpson to approve the purchase of a Class A Truck to not exceed the purchase price of $550,000, with a written agreement/cancellation policy for 100% cost of the truck by January 2026, with delivery and payment coming from the 2026 budget. This Motion was seconded by both Randall Stephens and Joe Clark- All board in agreement- Motion approved, unanimously-
   4. Review/ Approve: Request for All Pro Electric to come in and work on cameras for a hard drive- $3,242.00- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion made to table the request for All Pro Electric and them installing a hard drive until a workshop takes place and any questions or concerns are resolved by Joe Clark and seconded by Tommy Bartosh.
   5. Review/ Approve: Request for United Communication to reprogram 20 radios and install updated firmware- $250.00- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion made to approve radios being updated by Joe Clark and seconded by Tommy Bartosh.
   6. Request/ Approve: Request to go out for bids on having wainscoting installed on the training room and conference room walls to protect them from the rubbing of chairs when pressed against- Fire Chief, Robin Jones- Motion made to approve going out for bids on protective wainscoting by Tommy Bartosh and seconded by Joe Simpson.
   7. Request/ Approve: Request for the removal of Jason Griffin from Stellar Bank Signature Card- Treasurer, Tommy Bartosh- Motion made to approve the removal of Jason Griffin from Stellar Bank Signature Card by Tommy Bartosh and seconded by Joe Clark.
   8. Request/ Approve: Request to add new board member, Joe Simpson to Stellar Bank Signature Card to allow him authorization to sign checks and bank documents necessary to conduct HCESD6 business- Treasurer, Tommy Bartosh- Motion made to approve adding the new board member, Joe Simpson to Stellar Bank Signature card to allow him authorization to conduct business as needed by Tommy Bartosh and seconded by Joe Clark.
   9. Request/ Approve: Request to revise the Flower fund policy (please see policy-will attach copy) to add grandchildren to the list of those who would receive flowers in the event of a fatality involving a Silsbee Fire Rescue member or Harden County ESD6 member- Not to exceed $200.00- Secretary, Joe Clark- Motion made to approve the addition of grandchildren and revise the wording of current policy to include “at the discretion of the board” when purchasing flowers by Joe Clark and seconded by Joe Simpson.
4. Executive Session

Adjourn- Motion made to adjourn meeting by Randall Stephens and seconded by Tommy Bartosh

Time- 8:50 PM

Notes to the Agenda:

1. The board may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this agenda
2. Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who may need assistance should contact Chief Robin Jones at 409-385-4761 prior to the meeting so that the appropriate arrangements can be made.

This is to certify that I, Joe Clark, posted this agenda on the Official Bulletin Board of the HCESD6 at 1205 N. 5th St. Silsbee on March 6, 2025 @ 2PM, which is also accessible to the public 24 hours a day on the county services district website [www.hcesd6.org](http://www.hcesd6.org)

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Joe Clark- Secretary

Government Code 551, Subchapter D

Section 551.071 – Consultation with District’s Attorney regarding possible litigation

Section 551.072 – Deliberation about real property

Section 551.071 – Matters of Personnel

Section 551.076 - To Deliberate the Deployment or Specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

If, during the course of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Board should determine that a closed or executive session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any agenda item included in this Notice, then such closed or executive meeting or session, as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, will be held by the Board at the date, hour, and place given in this Notice concerning any and all subjects for any and all purposes permitted by §551.071-551.084 of the Texas Government Code and the Texas Open Meetings Act, but not limited to, §551.071 – for the purpose of a private consultation with the Board’s attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized be law.