

## **MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

### **HILL COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2**

**AUGUST 15, 2024**

**1. Call to Order and establish quorum**

This meeting is being recorded electronically, and a copy of the recording can be made available to anyone requesting such, under the Public Information Act.

- The meeting was called to order at 5:42pm.
- A quorum was established; all commissioners present.

**2. Invocation**

**3. Pledge to U.S. and Texas flags**

**4. Public Comments on non-agenda items**

- Kathy with White Bluff VFD wanted to bring it to the commissioner that she was informed by Jennifer with CareFlite membership that the membership registration process will now be completely online. Brant will find out more details.

**5. Consent Agenda: Minutes, Treasurer's Report, Pay Bills**

- A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Kevin Bragg, seconded by Bob Stahl and the motion passed unanimously.

**6. Receive monthly report from CareFlite**

- Reports were presented by CareFlite personnel.
- No action was taken, for informational purposes only.

**7. Receive monthly report from AEL**

- The report was presented by AEL personnel.
- No action was taken, for informational purposes only.

**8. Facilities Report - Discuss and consider taking action as necessary**

- Whitney – parking lot improvement---discuss bids received and consider recommendation of board committee for approval of contractor
  - Jed Sulak discussed the bid openings from the five contractors. His recommendation was for the board to accept the lowest bid from Hillsboro Sand & Gravel. He has worked with them several times in the past, and those projects have all gone well. The commissioners on the committee agreed with Jed's suggestion.
  - A motion to approve the bid from Hillsboro Sand & Gravel for the building of the parking lot at the Whitney Station was made by Jimmy Lehmann, seconded by Kevin Bragg and the motion passed unanimously.
- Hubbard – no issues to report
- Itasca – no issues to report
- Hillsboro – one tree will need to be replaced
- FM 67 – Covington – no issues to report

- Abbott – Update on helipad construction
  - The helipad has electricity, and the hammer head should be completed soon.

**9. Discuss with possible action request for reimbursement by Aquilla VFD for purchase of Heart Monitor**

- A motion to approve reimbursement to the Aquilla VFD for the purchase of the heart monitor was made by Alan Nisbet, seconded by Bob Stahl and the motion passed unanimously.

**10. Discuss and consider taking action regarding FY 2025 budget**

- The board will continue work on the budget.

**11. Discuss and consider taking action regarding 2024 tax rate, including**

- Establishing proposed tax rate
  - A motion to propose a tax rate for 2024 of .030600 cents per \$100 of valuation was made by Bob Stahl and seconded by Jimmy Lehmann. A roll vote was called, and each commissioner voted as stated below. The motion passed unanimously.
    - Kevin Bragg – yes
    - Jimmy Lehmann – yes
    - Tad Duncan – yes
    - Bob Stahl – yes
    - Alan Nisbet - yes
- Authorizing publication of “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” in the Hillsboro Reporter
- Acknowledging and approving posting of tax rate notice and “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” to home page of District website
  - A motion to authorize the publication of “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” in the Hillsboro Reporter and approve posting of the tax rate notice and “Notice of Meeting on Tax Rate” on the district’s website was made by Kevin Bragg, seconded by Alan Nisbet and the motion passed unanimously.

**12. Update from Attorney regarding legal action**

- The board went into executive session at 6:12pm. Discussion was held on the pending legal action. No action was taken during the executive session. Regular session resumed at 6:19pm.
- A motion to authorize the signing of settlement agreement was made by Kevin Bragg, seconded by Bob Stahl and the motion passed unanimously.

**13. Discuss with possible action board trip to tour Horton Ambulance plant, Grove City, Ohio**

- A motion authorizing Kevin Bragg, Tad Duncan and Bob Stahl to visit the Horton Ambulance plant on September 23rd-25<sup>th</sup> was made by Jimmy Lehmann, seconded by Alan Nisbet and the motion passed unanimously.

**14. Set date, location, and time of next meeting or workshops**

- The next regular meeting is September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the current location.


- A budget workshop is set tentatively set for September 16<sup>th</sup>

**15. Adjourn**

- 6:27pm

Dated this the 15th day of August, 2024.

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Kevin Bragg, Secretary  
Emergency Services District No. 2  
Hill County, Texas

  
Jimmy Lehmann  
Vice President