

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

### EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

#### REGULAR MINUTES – FEBRUARY 16, 2023

##### 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 5:30pm.
- A quorum was established; all commissioners present.

##### 2. Invocation

##### 3. Pledges to U.S. and Texas flags

##### 4. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- Doreen with the Abbott VFD thanked CareFlite for their help with several wrecks that occurred during the winter storm.

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

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

##### 6. Receive monthly report from CareFlite

- Reports were presented by CareFlite personnel.
- The Constables were trained on and received their first aid backpacks.
- The AEDs are still on backorder.
- Doreen asked about the possibility of the fire departments also receiving the first aid backpacks. Further discussion was tabled for another meeting.
- The question was asked if the reports could be broken out by trucks/station; as in how many responses each had. CareFlite will look into providing that report.
- A motion to allow CareFlite to use our facility to hold a training exercise was made by Bob Stahl, seconded by Kevin Bragg, and the motion passed unanimously.

##### 7. Receive monthly report from AEL

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

##### 8. Report on facilities. Discuss with possible action

- Hubbard – no issues to report
- Whitney – no issues to report
- Itasca – a wall between the bay and living quarters needs to be sealed because of a drainage issue.
- Hillsboro
  - Drainage Issues – There are several drainage issues around the building. It was partially corrected by the concrete contractor. Thresholds will be installed on every door and the windows will be sealed. There are also drainage issues with the parking lot. Jed Sulak, our Civil Engineer, and Colt Snokhous, who poured the concrete, are working on a plan to fix the issues.

The sod and landscaping have been put on hold until the drainage issues are fixed.

- Status of claim against Salt Ridge Properties, LLC's Performance/Payment Bond for completion and deficiencies in building – The claim was amended after we received our TASS Report. A copy of the letter sent to the insurance company was sent to each Commissioner. The contractor is disputing the claim against the leakage issues. The claim specifies that the contractor has not been paid, by Salt Ridge, for the concrete work.
- Texas Accessibility Standards Inspection Report – There are numerous violations, and some will be costly to fix. For instance, the countertops and cabinets are not compliant. Basically, every item with a TASS measurement requirement was ignored by Salt Ridge. The Commissioners are going to work together to try and find contractors they are familiar with to complete and correct the violations. Everything will then be turned over on the claim.
- Abbott
  - Revenue Sharing Agreement – Our attorney has sent the Interlocal Agreement to the Comptroller.
  - Estimates for helipad and extension of electric service – this has been placed on hold until some of the other issues with Hillsboro are settled.
- 1460 FM 67 – No issues to report

**9. Discuss with possible action request from Covington VFD for replacement of cardiac monitor**

- Brad with Covington VFD requested help/guidance with upgrading their Lifepak 12. New models are very expensive. CareFlite can get them a little cheaper and will start the process on getting an estimate. They will also investigate possible grants. Refurbished models were discussed, but you run the possibility of it not working correctly.

**10. Discuss with possible action VFIS Insurance coverage and payment**

- Since we have technically not taken possession of the Hillsboro building, VFIS is working with us to find the best solution to provide coverage.

**11. Report and discuss Commissioner's attendance at the SAFE-D Conference**

- The Commissioner's agreed it was enlightening to learn about all the new legislation coming out. There is legislation wanting to mandate that ESDs share revenue with cities when areas are annexed into city limits. This would also mean the city could take over running the fire departments and EMS, instead of the ESDs, and they could decide this without a vote by the residents. Meeting attendees were told they could contact our state representative, Angela Orr, to let her know we do not support that legislation.
- The Commissioners agreed that it seemed like there were more sessions geared toward ESDs than in previous years.

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

- The next meeting is March 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the current location.

**13. Adjourn**

- 6:06pm

Dated this the 16th day of February, 2023.



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

*ALAN VISHET*