

WISE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 4

BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Date: February 18, 2026

Time: 18:00

Location: 400 South Hovey, Chico, Texas

1. Swearing In of Commissioners

The following Commissioners were sworn in:

- John Yovanovitch — Alvord Fire District — Two-year term (expires January 1, 2028)
- Jimmy Counts — Chico Fire District — One-year term (expires January 1, 2027)
- Tim Raley — Crafton Fire District — Two-year term (expires January 1, 2028)
- Michelle Craighead — Sand Flat Fire District — Two-year term (expires January 1, 2028)
- Monty Nivens — At-Large — One-year term (expires January 1, 2027)

The oath of office was administered by Judge JD Clark in accordance with Texas Constitution Article XVI, Section 1.

2. Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 18:04 by Mr. Yovanovitch.

Commissioners Present:

- John Yovanovitch
- Jimmy Counts
- Tim Raley
- Michelle Craighead
- Monty Nivens

Commissioners Absent:

- None

A quorum was present.

3. Reading/Presentation of Official District Map and Boundaries

A presentation of the official district map and boundaries was provided by Wise County Appraisal District, BIS Consulting and read collectively by each of the board members. A copy of the boundaries is to be added within. No action was taken.

4. Recognition of Citizens

The following individuals addressed the Board:

- Troy Greg – Topic: spoke to item 4, public recognition. However, Mr. Gregg's topic was publicly proclaiming the City of Alvord and his support for the ESD.

No additional action was taken.

5. ESD 101 Presentation

A high-level overview of Emergency Services Districts was originally planned for the meeting, however, the presenter was unable to attend.

Motion made to include ESD 101 Presentation in the next monthly meeting.

Motion made by: Mr. Yovanovitch

Seconded by: Mr. Raley

The motion carried, 5–0.

6. Consider, Discuss, and Take Appropriate Action on the Following Items:

a. Set the District's Monthly Meetings

Motion for regular monthly meetings to occur on the third Wednesday of the month at 18:00.
Locations to be posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Motion made by: Mr. Raley
Seconded by: Mr. Yovanovitch

The motion carried, 5–0.

b. Election of Officers

Discussion held regarding officer positions.

President

Nomination made by: Mr. Raley
Seconded by: Ms. Craighead
Mr. Yovanovitch was elected President by a vote of 4–0 with one abstention.

Vice-President

Nomination made by: Mr. Nivens
Seconded by: Mr. Counts
Mr. Raley was elected Vice President by a vote of 4–0 with one abstention.

Secretary

Nomination made by: Mr. Counts
Seconded by: Mr. Raley
Mr. Nivens was elected Secretary by a vote of 4–0 with one abstention.

Treasurer

Nomination made by: Mr. Yovanovitch
Seconded by: Mr. Raley
Ms. Craighead was elected Treasurer by a vote of 4–0 with one abstention.

Assistant Treasurer

No nomination was made for Assistant Treasurer. No action was taken.

Term for officers established as one year.

c. Determination of Need, Type, and Selection of Sub-Committees

Discussion held regarding the need to establish sub-committees.

Motion made to defer selection of sub-committees to future meetings.

Motion made by: Ms. Craighead

Seconded by: Mr. Counts

The motion carried, 5–0.

d. Select a Permanent Mailing Address

Discussion held regarding establishment of a permanent mailing address utilizing an Alvord PO Box.

Motion made to defer address selection to the following meeting.

Motion made by: Mr. Yovanovitch

Seconded by: Ms. Craighead

The motion carried, 5–0.

e. Committee Reports

Initial meeting. No reports to present or request.

f. Service Providers Incident Reports (Calls)

Representatives from Alvord, Crafton, and Sand Flat Fire Departments presented operational summaries for their respective departments. No action was taken.

g. Service Provider Financial Reports

No financial reports were requested to be presented to the Board at this session.

Current annual budgets, for each department, requested for the next meeting.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by: Mr. Yovanovitch

Seconded by: Mr. Raley

The meeting adjourned at 18:56.

Respectfully submitted,

Monty Nivens, Secretary

Approved by the Board on: _____