ELLIS COUNTY ESD #10 NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING August 14, 2025

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Ellis County Emergency Services District No. 10 will be held on **Thursday**, **August 14**, **2025**, **at 6:30 p.m.**, at the Bardwell Area Fire Department, 506 E. Sycamore Street, Bardwell, Texas 75101, for the following purposes:

- 1. Invocation;
- 2. Call Meeting to Order;
- 3. Public Comment: In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, any response to a public comment that is made on an item that is not on the published final agenda will be limited to a statement of factual information or a statement of existing policy given in response to the public comment. Any deliberation or decision by the Board must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda;
- 4. Public comment on items on the agenda;
- 5. Discuss and consider approval of minutes for July 14, 2025, regular meeting;
- 6. Receive monthly report from Treasurer and the payment of invoices, advertising expenses, and reimbursements owed to Commissioners for out-of-pocket expenses;
- 7. Receive monthly report from Bardwell VFD;
- 8. Ratify action taken at June and July 2025 meetings;
- 9. Receive General Counsel report, including, but not limited to, tax matters, pending contract issues, open records requests, and other legal issues, if any, and take action as needed;
- 10. Discuss and consider tax planning calendar and consider adopting same;
- 11. Discuss and consider action regarding budget for fiscal year 2026 and adopting a resolution for same;
- 12. Discuss and consider taking action regarding 2025 tax rate, including:
 - (a) establishing proposed tax rate;
 - (b) taking record vote:
 - (c) authorizing expense and publication of tax notice in the newspaper; and
 - (d) acknowledging and approving posting tax notice to home page of District website.
- 13. Discuss and consider status of District website and authorize updates as needed;
- 14. Discuss and consider establishing District mailing address, District administrative office, and approving a resolution for same;
- 15. Discuss and consider action to adopt a District fiscal year and approve a resolution for same;
- 16. Discuss and consider action to approve a contract with the Ellis County Appraisal District for property appraisal and certification services;
- 17. Discuss and consider action to secure a contract with the Ellis County Tax Office for tax collection and assessment services;
- 18. Discuss and consider need for office supplies, including computer and printer, and authorize associated action:
- 19. Discuss and consider establishing bank account with Ennis State Bank and authorize the adoption of a resolution for same;
- 20. Discuss bank service fees and authorize associated action;
- 21. Discuss and consider fees associated with commissioner training and authorize associated action;
- 22. Discuss and consider fees associated with email and communications and authorize associated action;

- 23. Discuss and consider action to retain auditor;
- 24. Discuss and consider taking action on:
 - a. Insurance
 - b. Recording and reporting meetings/Microsoft Teams
- 25. Discuss time, place, date and agenda items for next meeting.

Brent Vrla, Secretary for Ellis County Emergency Services District No. 10

modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call Brent Vrla, Secretary for Ellis County Emergency Services District No. 10 at secretary@ellisesd10.com or 972-646-8995 for information. Hearing impaired or speech disabled persons equipped with telecommunication devices for the deaf may utilize the statewide Relay Texas Program by dialing 7-1-1 or 1-800-735-2988.

The Board may retire to Executive Session any time between the meeting's opening and adjournment for any purpose authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to: consultation with legal counsel (Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code); discussion of real estate acquisition (Section 551.072); gifts and donations (Section 551.073); personnel matters (Section 551.074) and/or security personnel, security devices or security audits (Sections 551.076 or 551.089). Action, if any, will be taken in open session.