

ELLIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 10

MINUTES

April 13, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Ellis County Emergency Services District No. 10 was held on Monday, April 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., at the Bardwell Area Fire Department, 506 E. Sycamore Street, Bardwell, Texas 75101:

The following members were present, thus constituting a quorum:

Hank Hollywood	President	Present
Shantel Coleman	Vice President	Present
Sheryl Honza	Treasurer	Present
Brent Vrla	Secretary	Present
Chester Williams	Commissioner	Absent

- 1. Invocation:** Led by Commissioner Hollywood.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Said by those in attendance.
- 3. Call meeting to order:** By Commissioner Hollywood at 6:41 PM.
- 4. Public Comment:** None.
- 5. Public Comment on agenda items:** None.

REPORTS

- 6. Receive monthly report from the Treasurer and consider:**
 - (a) approval of payment of monthly bills and invoices; and**
 - (b) approval of monthly financial report.**
 - (c) approval of quarterly investment report for 1st quarter of 2026;**

Commissioner Honza presented the report, noting the following:

Opening balance: \$198,868.33

March 2026 - Ellis County Deposits: \$8,616.41

April 2026 – Ellis County Deposits: \$548.36
 2 withdrawals outstanding: (Ellis County Appraisal Quarterly Fees And Insurance)
 Pending: \$0.00
 Other: \$0.00
 Ending balance: \$205,045.50.

Commissioner Honza presented the following monthly bills and invoices:

Website, email addresses, and phone numbers - GoDaddy.com - \$894.54.

The Board will need to review renewal for GoDaddy.com in December 2026.

Commissioner Honza made a motion to approve the payment of monthly bills and invoices. Commissioner Williams seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

Commissioner Honza made a motion to approve the financial report. Commissioner Coleman seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

7. Receive monthly report from Fire Chief Michael Anthony regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities, membership, equipment, apparatus, and fire station, and take any related action;

Chief Anthony presented the report, noting the following information:

Activity report Bardwell Area VFD- Training

1 st Quarter Training hours (October 2025- December 2025)	
Month	Training hours completed
October	18 hrs.
November	10 hrs.
December	25 hrs.

2 nd Quarter Training hours (January 2026- March 2026)	
Month	Training hours completed
January	7 hours
February	7 hours
March	34 hours

3 rd Quarter Training hours (April 2026- June 2026)	
Month	Training hours completed
April	
May	
June	

4 th Quarter Training hours (July 2026- September 2026)	
Month	Training hours completed

July	
August	
September	

Activity report Bardwell Area VFD- Responses

1 st Quarter response types (October 2025- December 2025)							
Month	EMS	Structure fire	MVA	Grass fire	Vehicle fires	Investigations & Public service	Total calls
October	2	-	-	1	-	2	5
November	1	-	1	2	-	1	5
December	-	-	3	1	-	1	5

2 nd Quarter Response type (January 2026- March 2026)							
Month	EMS	Structure fire	MVA	Grass fire & burn piles	Vehicle fires	Investigations & Public service	Total calls
January	2		3	4	1	2	12
February	3	2		9	1	1	16
March	1			4		3	8

3 rd Quarter Response type (April 2026- June 2026)							
Month	EMS	Structure fire	MVA	Grass fire	Vehicle fires	Investigations & Public service	Total calls
April							
May							
June							

4 th Quarter response type (July 2026- September 2026)							
Month	EMS	Structure fire	MVA	Grass fire	Vehicle fires	Investigations & Public service	Total calls
July							
August							
September							

Activity report Bardwell Area VFD- Responses- Calendar year 2025

Response types (January 2025- December 2025)							
Month	EMS	Structure fire	MVA	Grass fire	Vehicle fires	Investigations & Public service	Total calls
January		1	1	1		5	8
February	1		2			1	4
March	2		3	1		4	10

April	1					3	4
May	5			1		3	9
June	7		3		1	1	12
July	2					3	5
August	2	2				3	7
September	1						1
October	2	-	-	1	-	2	5
November	1	-	1	2	-	1	5
December	-	-	3	1	-	1	5
Totals	24	3	13	7	1	27	75

Chief Anthony presented the following updated needs:

- PPE-Air Packs \$10,000 each for 8 for a total of \$80,000.
- PPE-Bunker Gear-Structural \$3,200 each for 15 for a total of \$48,000.
- PPE-Bunker Gear Wildland \$1,800 each for 20 for a total of \$36,000.
- Total of \$102,800 (previous estimate was \$164,000).

Commissioner Honza made a motion to approve the Chief's report as presented. Commissioner Coleman seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

Commissioner Honza made a motion to approve the BAVFD initial operating expenditures of \$2,000. Commissioner Coleman seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

8. Receive monthly Commissioner activity reports on training received and subcommittee work;

No report.

9. Receive report from General Counsel, including, but not limited to, tax matters, pending contract issues, open records request, and other legal issues, if any, and take any related action;

No report. No action taken.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

10. Discuss and consider approval of March 9, 2026, regular meeting minutes;

Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve the March 9, 2026, regular meeting minutes as presented. Commissioner Honza seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

11. Discuss and consider authorizing purchase of items proposed by Bardwell Area Volunteer Fire Department;

This matter was already addressed during the Chief's Report during agenda item #7. No action taken.

12. Discuss and consider action regarding securing a contract for bookkeeping services, if desired;

The Board discussed and concluded that a bookkeeper is not necessary at this time. No action taken.

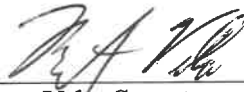
13. Discuss agenda items, time, and date for next meeting; and

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 11 2026, @ 6:30 PM.
Commissioner Coleman made a motion to approve the May meeting date and time.
Commissioner Honza seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries.

14. Adjournment.

Commissioner Honza made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Coleman seconded. All in favor – 5. All opposed – 0. Motion carries. The meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

Approved May 11, 2026.



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