

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
December 17, 2020

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on December 17, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The Notice and Agenda was posted according the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. **The meeting was conducted via video conference or telephone call as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic and pursuant to Governor Abbott's suspension order of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act.**

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores, President at 6:08 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, President; Aaron Vela, Vice-President; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent was Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., Attorney.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No member of the public asked to comment on any agenda item.

1. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2020 Special Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of the meeting for the November 19, 2020 Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes as presented, Gail Cappadona made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Aaron Vela seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to ratify and approve the District's bills for the preceding month.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the bills due to be paid. The Commissioners reviewed the bills presented for \$8,000 to Hidalgo County EMS for contracted ambulance service November 2020; \$1,680.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for attorney fees for November 2020; and \$108,877.00 to Nevada Pacific Inc for final payment on the build of the Freightliner Pumper Truck purchase subject to inspection of and acceptance of truck; There being no further discussion or questions concerning the District's bills, a motion was made by Aaron Vela to approve payment of the bills presented. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Consider and take appropriate action to approve the District's financial report for the preceding month.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the financial report for the month of November 2020. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for November 2020. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the District's checking account register ending balance as of the end of the month. There being no questions or discussion, Aaron Vela made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider and take appropriate action on the request to approve amendments to the District's 2020 budget.

Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioners that after taking into account projected actual expenditures for the year, it was recommended that certain items in the 2020 adopted budget needed to be amended to close out the year. The Commissioners reviewed the budget amounts that were being recommended for amendment. There being no further discussion or questions, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to amend the budget as recommended. Aaron Vela seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REVENUES	2020 Budget Adopted	2020 Budget Amendments
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$498,000.00	\$498,000.00
Other Financing Sources- Interest	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$502,000.00	\$502,000.00

EXPENDITURES

Ambulance Service	\$ --0--	\$ 32,000.00
First Responder Service	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Retirement System	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 5,112.00
Appraisal District	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,001.00
Auditing	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
Board Meetings	\$ --0--	\$ --0--
Insurance	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,160.00
Legal Advertisements	\$ 500.00	\$ 584.00
Legal Fees	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 32,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$ --0--	\$207,877.00
Equipment	\$ 75,000.00	\$ --0--
Training	\$ 2,500.00	\$ --0--
Edinburg FD Interlocal	<u>\$300,000.00</u>	<u>\$300,000.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$442,300.00	\$607,734.00

5. Board Member Reports

- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- No report.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** -- None
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None
- e. **Hidalgo County EMS** – November 2020 run report was reviewed with the company invoice.

No action was taken on any item.

6. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Aaron Vela to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Patrick Eronini. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Approved on the 21st day of January, 2021.

LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3

TRAVIS RICHARDS,
SECRETARY-TREASURER
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3