

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
January 20, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on January 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer at 6:06 p.m. Members present were Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Luis Flores, President; and Aaron Vela, Vice-President. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; representative from Med Care EMS; and representative from Hidalgo County Precinct 4 Commissioner's Office.

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 December 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of the meeting for the December 16, 2021 Regular 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. Travis Richards 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 \$1,277.00 to Hidalgo County Appraisal District for 1st quarter 2022 assessment; \$5,000.00 to Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department for 4th quarter 2021 first responder services; \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for December 2021; and \$1,535.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for December 2021. Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve payment of 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 December 2021. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for December 2021. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of the December. There being no questions or discussion, Patrick Eronini 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 Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates, PLLC to conduct an audit of the District's books and accounts for the year ending December 31, 2021.

Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioners that he was recommending that the Board approve Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates to conduct the District's yearly audit for the year ending

December 31, 2021. There being no questions or discussion, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to approve retaining the firm to conduct the District's audit. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion and appropriate action regarding First Responder and Emergency Services from Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department.

Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners that it was expected that members from the LSMVFD board would be present at the meeting to discuss possible plans of action relating to the services provided to the ESD No. 3 by the LSMVFD. However, being that members of the LSMVFD board were not present as planned, there was no action to be discussed or taken on the item at this time. Patrick Eronini made a motion to table. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Board Member Reports


- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- No report for this meeting.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – 4th Quarter 2021 Report reviewed
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – December 2021 report reviewed.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.

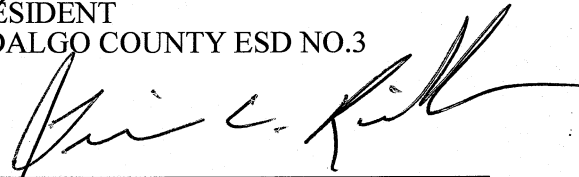
7. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Gail Cappadona to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Patrick Eronini. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

Approved on the 17th day of February, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
February 1, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Special Board Meeting on February 1, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer at 6:15 p.m. Members present were Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Luis Flores, President; and Aaron Vela, Vice-President. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; and representative from Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

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

1. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a proposal for consulting services from Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.

Frank Prado, Jr. discussed with the Commissioners the meeting that was had in December between the Board President, Board Member Patrick Eronini, and himself with grant writer, Marisa Utley from Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C. at which they had discussed possible future plans for the District regarding ambulance service and the service being provided to the District by Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department and funding needs of the District. Frank Prado, Jr. discussed with the Board, Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.'s proposal for providing the District with her services as a grant writer in efforts to secure grant funding for the District's operations including the services being provided to the District by LSMVFD. Ms. Utley presented information to the Board regarding her services including the services she would provide in relation to a current grant application for funding for adequate fire personnel that she was proposing the District approve in the following agenda items were the District to approve retaining her services. Ms. Utley discussed the specifics of the grant application that was being proposed if the District approved retaining Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.'s services and approved proceeding with the grant application. The Commissioners discussed the cost of Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.'s services, the need for the services, the services proposed in connection with the proposed grant application, the deadlines for the proposed grant application, and the proposed services in the future. Representatives from LSMVFD discussed logistical concerns that the department had regarding being in a position to implement a SAFER grant award and its related requirements for the current funding cycle. LSMVFD advised that it did not believe that the department had sufficient resources and capacity to implement the requirements of a grant award for the current funding cycle and would need additional time to develop and implement a plan to be possibly be ready for the next funding and grant application cycle. There being no further discussion, Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve the proposal from Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C. as presented at the rate presented. There being no second to Mr. Eronini's motion, the motion failed for lack of a second. There being no further motions made, no further action was taken on this item.

2. Discussion, consideration and possible action regarding a Mutual Aid Agreement between Hidalgo County ESD No. 3 and the Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department.

Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners that consideration and action on this item was contingent on the Commissioners approving retaining Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.'s services

to include applying for the proposed grant funding for relating to adequate fire personnel as part of Agenda Item 1 which failed for lack of a second to the motion made. Frank Prado, Jr. advised that this item was moot and would require no consideration or action.

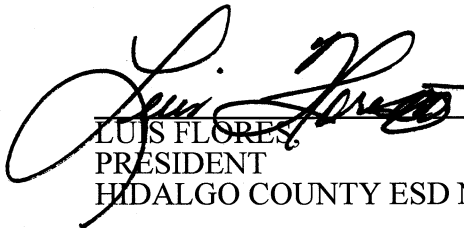
3. Discussion, consideration and possible action to approve a resolution to apply for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) Assistance Listing Number: 97.083, Assistance Listing Title: Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant, Funding opportunity Title: Fiscal Year 2021 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant, Funding Opportunity Number: DHS-21-GPD-083-00-99, Authorizing Authority for Program: Section 34 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, Pub. L, No. 93-498, as amended (15 U.S.C § 2229a); and Section 4013 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2)

Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners that consideration and action on this item was contingent on the Commissioners approving retaining Lone Star Strategy Group, L.L.C.'s services to include applying for the proposed grant funding for relating to adequate fire personnel as part of Agenda Item 1 which failed for lack of a second to the motion made. Frank Prado, Jr. advised that this item was moot and would require no consideration or action.

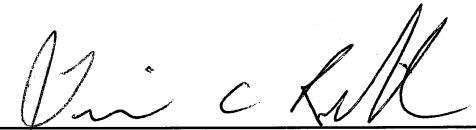
4. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Gail Cappadona to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Patrick Eronini. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Approved on the 17th day of February, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
February 17, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on February 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:03 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer. Absent were Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District.

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 January 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting and February 1, 2022 Special Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the January 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting and February 1, 2022 Special Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. Travis Richards noted that additional detail should be added to the minutes for the February 1, 2022 Special Board Meeting regarding LSMVFD's logistical concerns regarding LSMVD's current ability to implement a SAFER grant award for the current grant period. There being no further questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the minutes with the proposed addition to the minutes of the February 1, 2022 Special Board Meeting. 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 \$1,1001.34 to Linebarger Attorneys for attorney fees for delinquent tax collection for November through December 2021; \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for January 2022; and \$1,485.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for January 2022. Aaron Vela made a motion to approve payment of the bills presented. Travis Richards 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 January 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for January 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of January. There being no questions or discussion, Aaron Vela made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Travis Richards seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports

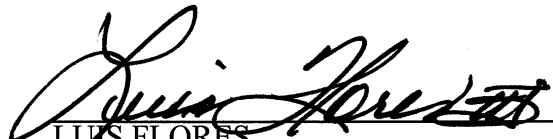
- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- December 2021 Report was reviewed.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – January 2022 report reviewed.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.

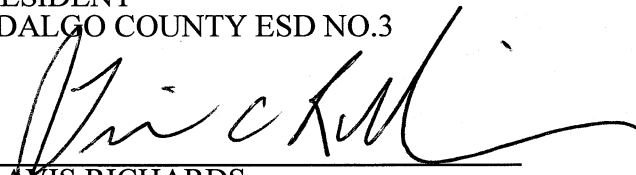
5. Adjournment.

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 Travis Richards. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Approved on the 17th day of March, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
March 17, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on March 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 800 E. Davis Road, Edinburg, Texas 78542 (Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department -- Station 5). The Notice and Agenda was posted according the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:01 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; and Patrick Eronini, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; representatives from Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department; representatives from Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department; and representatives from Med Care EMS.

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 February 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the February 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Luis Flores 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 \$1,143.86 to Linebarger Attorneys for attorney fees for delinquent tax collection for January through February 2022; \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for February 2022; \$3,204.00 to Texas Emergency Services Retirement System for system contributions for the six months ending 3/1/2022; and \$1,675.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for February 2022. Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve payment of the bills presented. Travis Richards 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 February 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for February 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of February. There being no questions or discussion, Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Travis Richards seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports

- a. County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office – None for this meeting.**

- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- January 2022 Report was reviewed.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – LSMVFD provided a report regarding the need for a tractor to service the area of the District.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – Edinburg Fire Department made a report regarding the need for brush trucks to service the area of the District.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – February 2022 run report reviewed.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.


5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Travis Richards to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Travis Patrick Eronini. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Approved on the 21st day of April, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
April 21, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on April 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:05 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; representatives from LSMVFD; and representatives from Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department.

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 March 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the March 17, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Luis Flores 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 \$843.42 to Linebarger Attorneys for attorney fees for delinquent tax collection for March 2022; \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for March 2022; \$1,282.00 to Hidalgo County Appraisal District for 2nd Quarter 2022 Assessment; \$5,000.00 to Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department for 1st Quarter 2022 First Responder Services; and \$1,565.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for March 2022. Patrick Eronini made a motion 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 March 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for March 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of March. There being no questions or discussion, Patrick Eronini 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 a resolution approving participation by the ESD No. 3 with the Linn San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department (LSMVFD) for the acquisition of a tractor by LSMVFD for servicing and protecting the area of the ESD No. 3 and the general public and declaring a public safety purpose.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented information in follow-up to the board report from LSMVFD at the March meeting regarding LSMVFD's acquisition of a tractor to be used by LSMVFD in servicing the area of the ESD No. 3 and the LSMVFD's request for commitment by the ESD No. 3 to partially participate in the acquisition by LSMVFD in order to be able to ensure continuity of protection and service to the area of the ESD No.3. Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioners that as suggested at the previous meeting, LSMVFD had gathered pricing information and specifications for a larger tractor in light of the capacity likely needed for the type of work that the tractor would be used for. Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with a resolution to approve the ESD No. 3's participation in the LSMVFD's acquisition of the tractor. LSMVFD advised that that the total purchase price of the tractor as specified from Amigo Power Equipment would be \$73,499.00. LSMVD advised the Commissioner's that the LSMVFD board had approved the amount of \$40,000 from the LSMVFD towards its acquisition of the tractor and was requesting participation by the ESD No. 3 in the amount of \$33,499.00. The Commissioners were informed that the tractor was immediately available to LSMVFD from the vendor, Amigo Power Equipment, which would ensure continuity of service and protection to the District, that the vendor's price was lower than other possible vendors, and that other vendor's would not have a similar tractor available in stock for several months which would leave the District without the needed services of a tractor for months. There being no further questions or discussion, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to approve the resolution as presented approving the ESD No. 3's participation in the amount of \$33,499.00. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration and possible action regarding the procurement of grant writing services for the ESD No. 3 and necessary actions related thereto.

Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioner's that Patrick Eronini had asked that an item discussing and approving action to move forward to procure grant writing services for the ESD No. 3 as had be placed on the agenda. Patrick Eronini discussed with the Commissioner's his proposal that the ESD No. 3 should move forward with procuring the services of a grant writer to attempt secure grant funds for the ESD No. 3 in the future. The Commissioner's discussed the whether there was a current immediate need to move forward with such action. Gail Cappadona informed the Commissioners that she believed that the matter would be better considered at a meeting where the full board was present as two Commissioners were not present at the meeting. Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioner's that if they preferred to consider the matter at a meeting where the full board was present, the item would need to be tabled. Gail Cappadona made a motion to table the item. Luis Flores seconded the motion. Gail Cappadona and Luis Flores voted in favor of the motion to table the item. Patrick Eronini voted against the motion to table. The motion to table passed by majority vote of the members present and voting.

4. Board Member Reports

- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- February and March 2022 reports reviewed.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – First Quarter 2022 Medical Calls report was presented.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – Chief Shawn Snider presented information regarding the Edinburg Fire Volunteer Fire Department's need to acquire a brush truck which would be used in the area of the ESD No. 3 and the estimated costs for two different vehicle brands.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – March 2022 call report reviewed.

Patrick Eronini made a motion to go into closed session for consultation with attorney regarding item "d". Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion to go into closed session passed unanimously. The Commissioners went into closed session pursuant to Government Code 551.071, consultation with attorney.

Patrick Eronini made a motion to return the meeting to open session. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion to return to open session passed unanimously. The meeting returned to open


session at 7:17 p.m.

No action was taken on any item on the board member reports or discussed in executive session.

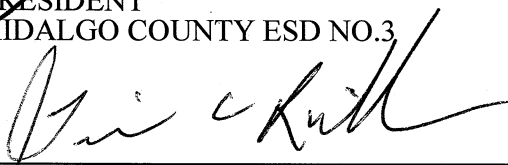
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Gail Cappadona. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Approved on the 19th day of May, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
May 19, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on May 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:06 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Patrick Eronini, Member. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; and Velinda Reyes from Precinct 4 Commissioner Ellie Torres' office.

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 April 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the April 21, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Gail Cappadona made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Travis Richards 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 \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for April 2022; and \$1,485.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for April 2022. Gail Cappadona made a motion to approve payment of the bills presented. Travis Richards 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 April 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for April 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of April 2022. There being no questions or discussion, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports

- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- None for this meeting
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting
- e. **Med Care EMS** – April 2022 call report reviewed.

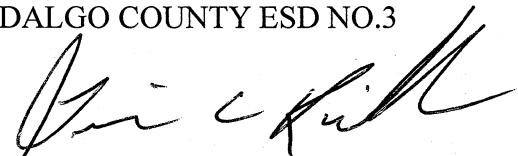
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Gail Cappadona to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Travis Richards. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Approved on the 16th day of June, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
June 16, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on June 16, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 800 E. Davis Road, Edinburg, Texas 78542 (Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department -- Station 5). The Notice and Agenda was posted according the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:12 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; Chief Shawn Snider, Edinburg Fire Department; and representative from Med Care EMS.

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 May 19, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the May 19, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Gail Cappadona made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Luis Flores 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 \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for May 2022; \$1,279.00 to Hidalgo County Appraisal District for 3rd quarter 2022 assessment; and \$1,525.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for May 2022. Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve payment of 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 May 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for May 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of May. The Commissioners discussed the maturity dates and interest rates for the District's certificates of deposit. There being no questions or discussion, Patrick Eronini made a motion to approve the financial report as presented and to authorize Board President, Luis Flores, to negotiate with the District's bank regarding interest rates and maturity dates on the District's certificates of deposit and to take actions necessary to do so. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports

- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- April 2022 report reviewed.

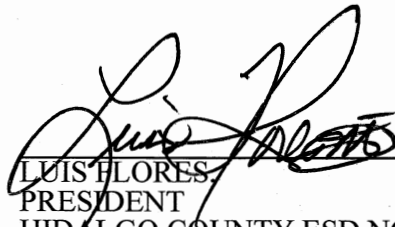
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – May 2022 call report reviewed.

No action was taken on any item in Board Member reports.

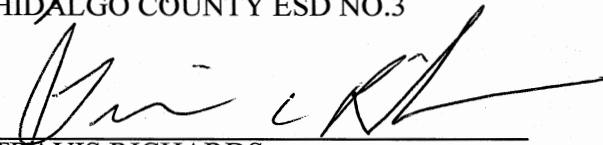
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Gail Cappadona. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Approved on the 18th day of August, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
August 18, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on August 18, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, Board President; Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Patrick Eronini, Member, Member. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; and representative from Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates, P.L.L.C.

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 June 16, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of meeting for the June 16, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Gail Cappadona 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 \$2,355.10 to Linebarger Attorneys for attorney fees for delinquent tax collection for April through July 2022; \$8,000.00 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for June 2022; \$8,000 to Med Care EMS for ambulance service for July 2022; \$1,565.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for June 2022; and \$1,445.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for July 2022. Travis Richards made a motion to ratify and 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 months of June and July 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statements and reconciliations for June and July 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the register ending balance for the District's checking account as of the end of July 2022 as well as current certificate of deposit balances. The Commissioners discussed looking into the possibility of higher interest rate certificates of deposit. There being no questions or discussion, Travis Richards 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 the ESD No. 3's 2021 financial audit report as prepared by Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates, P.L.L.C.

A representative from the office of Oscar R. Gonzalez, CPA & Associates presented the District's audit report for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Commissioners were informed about the District's budget and expenditures for the year, its revenues for the year, its assets and liabilities, and positive change in financial position for the District for the year. Commissioners were advised that the CPA firm was issuing a clean unqualified report. There being no questions or discussion regarding the audit report, a motion was made by Travis Richards to approve the District's financial audit report for the year ended December 31, 2021 as presented. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Discussion on the proposed 2023 budget and 2022 tax rate.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with information regarding the District current account balances. Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioners that for 2023, the District should be able to operate with a budget within the same amounts as were adopted for 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. further presented information from the Hidalgo County tax office regarding tax benchmark amounts and projected revenues based on property values in the District indicating that a tax rate of \$0:0177 per \$100 of property value would generate a projected tax revenue of \$498,764. Frank Prado, Jr. advised the Commissioners that a tax rate of \$0.0177 would keep the District under \$500,000 of tax revenue and allow the District to continue to be designated as a small taxing unit with a simplified tax adoption and notice process. Frank Prado, Jr. further advised the Commissioners that the highest tax rate that could be adopted without voter approval for 2022 would be \$0.0196 which would generate approximately \$552,303 but would take the District out small taxing unit status and the corresponding simplified adoption process as well as require additional notices to adopt such a tax rate. The discussion was closed.

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve a proposed tax 2022 tax rate for the District, set a date for a meeting to adopt the District's 2023 budget and 2022 tax rate, and approve publication of notice to the public of the proposed tax rate and public meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners that the Board needed to take action to propose a tax rate, approve a date for the meeting to adopt the proposed budget and tax rate, and to publish notice of the date and place of the meeting and the proposed tax rate as required by law. There being no further questions or discussion, a motion was made by Travis Richards to approve a proposed tax rate of \$0.0177 per \$100 of property valuation, to approve September 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. as the date and time to hold the meeting to adopt the proposed budget and tax rate, and to publish notice of the proposed tax rate and meeting as required by law. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Board Member Reports


- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- Reports for May, June and July were presented
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – June 2022 report was presented

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.

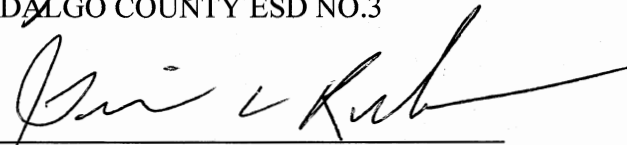
8. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Travis Richards to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Gail Cappadona. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Approved on the 15t day of September, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
September 15, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on September 15, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores, President at 6:09 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, President; Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; Gail Cappadona, Member; and Patrick Eronini, Member. Absent was Aaron Vela, Vice-President. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District; and Velinda Reyes from Precinct 4 Commissioner Ellie Torres' office.

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 August 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of the meeting for the August 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes as presented, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Luis Flores 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 Med-Care EMS for ambulance service for August 2022; \$734.46 to Linebarger Attorneys for attorney fees for delinquent tax collection for August 2022; and \$1,565.00 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for August 2022. There being no discussion or questions concerning the District's bills, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to ratify and approve payment of the bills presented. Travis Richards 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 August 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for August 2022. 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, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Patrick Eronini seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and adopt of of the Hidalgo County ESD No. 3 adopting the Hidalgo County ESD No. 3's 2023 budget.

Frank Prado, Jr. discussed and reviewed the draft proposed budget resolution reflecting the amounts discussed and proposed at August 18, 2022 Regular Board Meeting reflecting substantially the previous year's budget for a total proposed budget for 2023 of \$216,450.00 with an anticipated

excess of revenues over expenditures of \$286,314.00. There being no further discussion, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2022-1 of the Hidalgo County ESD No. 3 Adopting the 2023 budget as recommended in the amounts as set out below. Travis Richards seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
2023 BUDGET

REVENUES

Tax Revenue	\$498,764.00
Interest Revenue	<u>\$ 4,000.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$502,764.00

EXPENDITURES

Ambulance Service	\$ 96,000.00
First Responder Service	\$ 20,000.00
Emergency Services Retirement System	\$ 6,000.00
Appraisal District	\$ 5,200.00
Auditing	\$ 4,000.00
Insurance	\$ 2,000.00
Legal Advertisements	\$ 750.00
Legal Fees	\$ 30,000.00
Capital Outlay	\$ --0--
Equipment	\$ 50,000.00
Training	<u>\$ 2,500.00</u>

Total Expenditures \$216,450.00

Excess of Revenue Over Expenses: \$286,314.00

5. Consider and take appropriate action to approve and adopt an Ordinance 2022-1 Levying a Tax Rate for the Hidalgo County ESD No. 3 of \$0.0177 per \$100 of valuation for tax year 2022.

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed tax rate ordinance for tax year 2022 and projected revenue from the proposed tax rate. There being no questions or discussions, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to approve and Ordinance Levying a Tax Rate for Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 of \$0.0177/\$100 of assessed value of all taxable property for the District for tax year 2022 of which \$0.0177 is for the purpose of maintenance and operations and \$0 is for the payment of principal and interest on debt of the District for a total tax rate of \$0.0177 per \$100 of property valuation. Travis Richards seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Board Member Reports


- a. **County Commissioner’s Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- None for this meeting.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – None for this meeting.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.

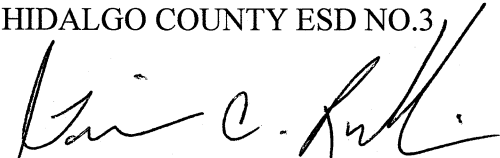
7. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Travis Richards. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m.

Approved on the 26th day of October, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
October 26, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Special Board Meeting on October 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 21661 East Highway 186, Edinburg, Texas (Linn San Manuel Emergency Services Facility). The Notice and Agenda was posted according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores, President at 6:20 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, President; Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer; Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Patrick Eronini, Member; and Aaron Vela, Vice-President. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District.

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 September 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of the meeting for the September 15, 2022 Regular Board Meeting. The Commissioners reviewed the minutes. There being no questions or discussion regarding the minutes as presented, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Gail Cappadona 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 Med-Care EMS for ambulance service for September 2022; \$1,279 to Hidalgo County Appraisal District for 4th quarter assessment; \$1,966.86 to Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool for 2023 liability coverage; \$216.90 to AIM Media Texas for 2022 proposed tax rate notice publication; and \$1,989.20 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for September 2022. There being no discussion or questions concerning the District's bills, a motion was made by Travis Richards to ratify and 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 September 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for September 2022. 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, Travis Richards made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Gail Cappadona seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports

- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- Reports for August and September reviewed.
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – Report for September 2022 reviewed.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented.

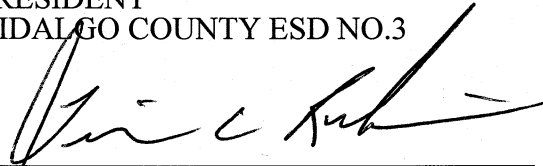
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Travis Richards to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Gail Cappadona. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Approved on the 17th day of November, 2022.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
November 17, 2022

The Board of Commissioners of the Hidalgo County Emergency Services District No. 3 met for a Board Meeting on November 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at 800 E. Davis Road, Edinburg, Texas 78542 (Edinburg Fire Department Station 5). The Notice and Agenda was posted according the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Call meeting to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Luis Flores, President at 6:07 p.m. Members present were Luis Flores, President; Patrick Eronini, Member; and Gail Cappadona, Member. Absent were Aaron Vela, Vice-President; and Travis Richards, Secretary-Treasurer. Also present was Frank Prado, Jr., general counsel for the District.

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 October 26, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Frank Prado, Jr. presented the Commissioners with the minutes of the meeting for the October 26, 2022 Regular 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. Luis Flores 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 Med-Care EMS for ambulance service for October 2022; and \$1,712.97 to Francisco J. Prado, Jr. for legal services for September 2022. There being no discussion or questions concerning the District's bills, a motion was made by Patrick Eronini to ratify and 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 October 2022. The Commissioners reviewed the bank statement and reconciliation for October 2022. Frank Prado, Jr. informed the Commissioners about the District's checking account register ending balance as of the end of the month October 2022. There being no questions or discussion, Gail Cappadona made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Patrick Eronini seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member Reports


- a. **County Commissioner's Precinct 4 Office** – None for this meeting.
- b. **Monthly Tax Collection report** -- None for this meeting
- c. **Linn-San Manuel Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- d. **Edinburg Volunteer Fire Department** – None for this meeting.
- e. **Med Care EMS** – Report for October 2022 reviewed.

No action was taken on any item reviewed or presented for Board reports.

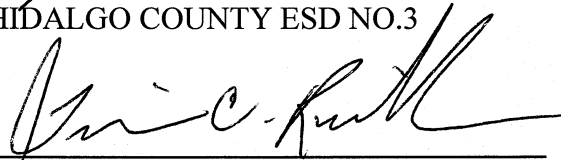
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, a motion was made by Gail Cappadona adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Patrick Eronini. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Approved on the 19th day of January, 2023.



LUIS FLORES,
PRESIDENT
HIDALGO COUNTY ESD NO.3



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