



BLANCO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2
P.O. BOX 972, BLANCO, TX 78606

**Minutes Regular Session
Board of Commissioners
January 16, 2021**

1. **Call to Order / Announcements** – Establish a quorum. **Quorum present via audio/video conferencing. Meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm. Attendees:**

Ann Hall, President (AH)	Brent Peterson
Todd Rogers, Vice President (TR)	Caroline Richardson, President Auxiliary
Steve Scheffe, Treasurer (SS)	Theresa Turner, Treasurer Auxiliary
Carl Struck, Assistant Treasurer (CS)	C-Shift
Lynne McKirdy, Secretary (LM)	Kenneth Welch
Ben Oakley, EMS Chief	Rachelle Willgren
Matt McMains, Fire Chief	
Matt Herden	

2. **Public Comment** - No action may be taken on these items unless on agenda. Please limit comments to 2 minutes per person. **No public comment.**
3. **Officer Elections** – ESD will conduct Election of Officers for 2021. **2021 Election of Officers held.**

Motion to approve the 2021 proposed slate of Officers by SS, Second by CS. Motion approved.

Ann Hall, President
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Steve Scheffe, Treasurer
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Lynne McKirdy, Secretary

4. **Consent Agenda** – Items will be approved with a single vote. Items are removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion. **Items were removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.**
- Approval of the December 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes. **Motion to approve December 15, 2020 minutes by CS, second by LM. Motion approved.**
 - Financial Report as of 12/31/2020.
 - Monthly Financials:
 - Texas Regional \$1,224,113.78
 - CD #714430 \$131,651.06 **Discussion regarding the renewal of a CD currently at Texas Regional. AH mentioned that the CD is restricted for Capital Expenses. SS and CS will shop the market for better rates. Motion to approve SS, second by CS. Motion passed.**
 3. Lone Star \$243,434.43 **Reminder discussion that the Board previously voted to allow transfers from Lone Star to Texas Regional to maintain a balance below FDIC limits. No action required.**
 - Approve Resolution authorizing the update of bank signatories. (Resolution 2021-01-19.1) **Motion to approve resolution by LM, Second by SS. Motion carried.**
 - Informational Financial Briefing by Chief Oakley:**
 - The pre-pay amount for the new engine error has been corrected to secure the \$20,000 pre-pay discount.**
 - Ad Valorem (ESD 1 and ESD 2) clerical error ‘check-swap’ fixed with checks**

exchanged to correct the error. Note to the budget file for the auditor.

5. **Fire & EMS Auxiliary Report – Quarterly Report. Quarterly report received; financials submitted. Caroline reported that the mail campaign was successful. One grant to VFIS was submitted, awaiting response. Auxiliary is now focused on prolonged response, Community Awareness and Education, Social Media presence and assisting with Blanco County Vaccine events. Auxiliary will assist at the January 18, 2021 vaccine event. Recognition of Emily Becker’s efforts on Social Media platforms.**
6. **Chiefs’ Report**
 - a. **COVID-19 Update. Chief Oakley reported a continuing COVID-19 surge. Patient acuity is high. Performed 59 swabs in one day, the highest volume to date, 997 COVID-19 tests performed in total. Currently there are 141 active cases and 487 cumulative (lifetime of the virus) cases. Blanco County received 300 Moderna vaccines to be used on the 1a and 1b population. 267 vaccines were administered thus far. Process is work intensive as data input is required on two databases. Vaccine must be administered within 6 hours of a vial being opened.**
 - b. **Operations Reports Fire & EMS. Written reports submitted.**

Fire Report: Chief McMMain reported that Brush 82 (old) had been placed up for auction, approximately \$20,000 was expected. Brush 82 then experienced a catastrophic engine failure. The auction was then suspended, a new auction positing submitted detailing the current state. Brush 82 sold for \$4,500.

Engine 81 was also placed for auction at \$100,000, this vehicle was sold for \$118,000. Chief McMMain noted that the Brush 82 shortfall of \$4,500 was made up by Engine 81 selling for \$18,000 more than expected.

EMS: Chief Oakley stated that while it is remarkably busy, staff continues to do well. All efforts are directed at COVID-19 mitigation.
7. **Finance & Planning Matters**
 - a. **Kendall County Interlocal Agreement for service update – agreement signed. AH and SS reported that a signed agreement, including all modifications requested by Attorney Hall was received. AH reminded Chief Oakley that the check from Kendall County can now be deposited.**
 - b. **Strategic Plan – Approve Mission, Vision, Values, Goals and Objectives. SS suggested several additions to the Mission, Vision and Values. AH will email the changes so that the Strategic Plan can be pre-reviewed and voted on at the February meeting.**
 - c. **FISD within Blanco County. AH reviewed the background and history. AH presented a preview of a Power Point presentation which will be discussed at the Public Meeting at 6 pm.**
 - i. **Public Hearing tonight at 6:00 PM**
8. **Executive Session - Discuss personnel matters, real estate, meet with attorney as authorized by Texas Government Code. No Executive Session**
9. **Return to Open Session: Discuss and consider action on matters discussed in Executive Session.**
10. **Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by SS, seconded by CS. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at 4:19 pm. Next meeting: PUBLIC HEARING and SPECIAL MEETING will be Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne McKirdy,
Secretary