

Caldwell County Emergency Services District #3

Board Meeting MINUTES

June 10, 2021 6:00PM

Board Meeting held at the Martindale Volunteer Fire Department located at:
111 Lockhart Street, Martindale, TX 78655

1. Call meeting to order – Over ZOOM video conference at 6:32 pm (Recording Available)
 - (a) Roll Call: Commissioners Present - Bill Hamilton, David Murdoch, Mark Jungers, Robert Moreno;
Absent: Josie Martinez
 - (b) Quorum present
2. Review and approve Minutes from the May 6, 2020 meeting - Motion made by Mark Jungers to accept minutes as written – Robert Moreno 2nd – PASSED 4-0
3. **Reports**
 - (a) Building Report –An Environmental Study is being conducted of the land to satisfy a USDA checklist action item. The study includes a survey of all 15 Native American tribes in Texas to ensure that there is no claim to the land by one of the tribes. A letter is needed from the Mayor of Martindale to make sure the City has no issues with the Station, as well as one from the Historic Commission. The mayor's letter has been received, there is no reply from the Historic Commission as of yet. Frank has start working on preliminary drawings for the station.
 - (b) Call Report from MVFD – 33 emergency calls, plus an additional 23 river calls for a total of 56 in May; 0 missed
 - (c) Financial Report presented by David Murdoch
 - (d) River Support Funding – Bill Hamilton reported that Chief Germer has to send the County bills for the river staffing every two weeks which will then be turned in to the Commissioners Court for approval to pay at their next meeting. The County will pay the ESD, then the ESD will send those payment amounts to MVFD to pay for the staffing.
 - (e) Community Disaster Support – Angela Jimenez is enthusiastically taking on this project, she is compiling a list of organizations in the community that have resources that will be available during a disaster.
4. **Discussion / Action Items**
 - (a) Review and approve expenses - David Murdoch motioned to approve payment of operating expenses - Mark Jungers 2nd – PASSED 4-0
 - (b) Matching funds for MVFD grant from LCRA - A \$4,985 match is owed by MVFD toward the grant they received from LCRA for a new UTV that will be used to retrieve patients from the banks of the river and safely transport the stretcher and attending EMT up to awaiting ambulance care. The FD would like to know if the ESD would consider paying that match in exchange for ownership of the asset. The LCRA does not have an issue with this arrangement per Sheila Schlegle. There is a requirement that the asset be retained for 7 years or the grant would have to be repaid. Mark Jungers motioned that should the MVFD board formally request the funds in writing after having voted to approve the arrangement to relinquish ownership of the asset, that the ESD pay the \$4,985 in matching funds for the UTV – Robert Moreno 2nd – PASSED 4-0
 - (c) ESD Board Members continuing education credits – ESD Commissioners were reminded that they are required to complete 6 hours of continuing education per every 2 years. The SAFE-D emails being received by Commissioners provide excellent opportunities to choose a topic of interest and relevance to the District.
 - (d) Live vs Zoom Board meetings going forward – Bill Hamilton motioned that in person meetings should resume next month in a well-ventilated space, not in the Fire Department office - Mark Jungers 2nd – PASSED 4-0
5. Announcements: (No action or in-depth discussions – Events or items of general interest)
6. Set next meeting time and date – **Thursday 7-8-2021** – 6:30pm
7. Adjournment – at 7:35