



## **WILSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**

Wilson County Emergency Services District #1 Board of Commissioners called an open meeting at: Wilson County ESD #1 Fire and Rescue, Station #2, Community Room, 52 FM 3432, La Vernia, TX 78121 time/date: **6:00 pm October 8, 2020. Due to temporary rules adopted by the State of Texas in regards to the Corona Virus, some or all of the board members may participate via video conference.**

1. The meeting was called to order by President Quinten Kiolbassa at 6:05 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Honor to the Texas Flag were led by President Kiolbassa. The prayer was offered by Secretary Burdette.
3. There was no public comment.
4. Roll Call of Commissioners by Secretary Burdette found Commissioners Kiolbassa, Jones, Burdette, and Mainz present and Commissioner Trainer attending via Zoom forming a forum. Also present were Chief Chris Thompson, Auditor Tom Dupnick and Citizen Review member Gary Ullman.
5. The minutes of last month's meeting and financial reports were approved 5/0'
6. Reports:

President Kiolbassa noted that himself, Burdette and Bill Mainz are up for reappointment December 31, 2020. He also reviewed his appearance at Commissioners Court reference county funding. Commissioners stated that this year's funding will be the last for ESD's. Only FVD's will be funded. Secretary Burdette had no reports or notices.

Treasurer Trainer discussed the financial reports in number 4 above.

Chief Thompson gave status report on calls made for the month of September, the majority were for accompanying ESD 3. The roster of volunteers is dwindling in part by personnel being hired by other agencies as well as ESD 1. The fire academy is progressing. Engine 32 continues to have mechanical problems. Timbers Subdivision is approved with 88 lots. S.S. Water Company has agreed to conduct hydrant pressure testing.
7. The Stockdale Annexation is on hold. Chief Thomson met with Stockdale officials and it seems the Volunteer Fire Department leadership made it clear they oppose the annexation. City officials will appear at next month's ESD 1 Board Meeting with final decision to go forward at this time.
8. New Business:

The 2020-2021 Budget Closeout was approved 5/0.

New Business continued:

Sales Tax Allocations for July, August, and September 2020 totaled approximately \$110.00.

New revenue was approved 5/0.

The 2020-2021 Budget was approved 5/0 with slight adjustment.

The cloud storage procedures will be altered wherein the administrative assistant will upload necessary documents reducing the Secretary's activities some of which were duplication efforts.

Consideration was given to changing banks due to ongoing difficulties with Third Coast Bank. No action taken.

9. Chief Thompson requested that Engine 32 be replaced. The truck is twenty-three years old and problems continue to mount with frequent repairs. Time line for design and ordering was set for early 2021. The order will be voted on at that time.
10. Action taken to retain the accounting firm of McCall, Gibson, Swedlund and Barfoot to perform the 2020 annual audit. Motion passed 5/0.
11. The next meeting was set for Thursday, November 12, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.
12. Motion to adjourn passed 5/0 at 7:37 P.M., peace and harmony prevailing.