



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

Wilson County Emergency Services District #1 Board of Commissioners held an open meeting at Wilson County ESD #1 Fire and Rescue, Station #2, Community Room, 52 FM 3432, La Vernia, TX 78121, September 10, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. **Due to temporary rules adopted by the State of Texas in regards to the Corona Virus, the board members had the option to participate via video conference.**

1. President Kiolbassa called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call of Commissioners by Secretary Burdette found Commissioners Quinten Kiolbassa, George Jones, Bill Mainz and Jim Burdette present forming a quorum. Commissioner Mike Trainer was absent. Also attending were Chief Chris Thompson, Office Administrator Kathy Nuernberg, Auditor Tom Dupnick, and Stockdale City Manager Banks Aikin.
3. There was no Public Comment.
4. Last month's minutes were approved 4/0 as was the financial report by Chief Thompson by a 4/0 vote.
5. Reports: The President had no notices or reports to offer.
Secretary Burdette had no reports or filings due.
Chief Thompson gave his monthly matrix noting calls were up mainly due to grass fires. A good pool of personnel have made application to join the Department. Two are about to complete training.
The Department has no budgetary concerns.
6. The Chief's proposed 2020 Budget of \$1,665,841.62 was approved 4/0.
7. In reference to the 2020 proposed Tax Rate, Vice-President George Jones offered the following: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.081 per \$100.00 valuation, which is effectively a 4.113 percent increase in the tax rate." This motion was approved 4/0.
8. Stockdale City Manager Banks Aikin addressed the board regarding the proposed annexation of the Stockdale area by WCESD No.1. Mr. Aikin requested that the Board delay going forward with the election process until December 1, 2020, in order to address political issues. He wants a unified positive effort within the community and within the Stockdale VFD before engaging in the effort and expense of an annexation election. The Board agreed to his request by a 4/0 vote.
9. The next regular monthly meeting was set for October 8, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m., peace and harmony prevailing.