# EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #5, FIRE AND RESCUE MEETING

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021, 6:00 P.M. ESD 5 FIRE & RESCUE CENTRAL STATION 1360 HOSPITAL BLVD, FLORESVILLE, TX 78114

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

#### The following items were discussed to wit:

## 1. Meeting called to order. (Oltjendiers)

J. Oltjendiers called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Members present were J. Oltjendiers, R. Bippert and L. Arocha, W. Yates and M. Jackson attended by phone at 6:15. A quorum was present.

#### 2. Citizens Comments-None

## 3. Consent Agenda-

- A. The board reviewed proposed minutes from the 08/10/21 meeting. R. Bippert made the motion to approve the meeting minutes as presented, seconded by L. Arocha. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 3/0, motion carried.; and
- B. The Board reviewed the Auditors Report and discussed reconciliations and budget status up to close of year
- C. The board reviewed 18 invoices submitted for payment and 8 for ratification. After discussion, R. Bippert made a motion, seconded by L. Arocha to approve the presented bills for payment and ratification. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 5/0, motion carried

#### 4. Presentation and Discussion items:

#### Public Hearing, opened at 6:20 p.m.:

- A. The Board opened up the public meeting for the District's FY 2022 proposed budget. There was no public comment. The Board and Chief discussed the budget and then L. Arocha made a motion to adopt the FY 2022 proposed budget, seconded by W. Yates. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 5/0 motion carries;
- B. The Board opened up the public meeting for the District's FY 2021 proposed tax rate of .091900 per \$100. There was no public comment. The Board and Chief discussed the budget and then W. Yates made a motion to adopt the FY 2022 proposed tax rate of .091900 per \$100 of valuation for FY 2021, seconded by R. Bippert. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 5/0 motion carries;

#### Public Hearing closed at 6:31 p.m.

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### **Regular Business:**

- The Fire Chief briefed the board on activities and calls for service for the A. preceding month (42), and training the department performed and community outreach. He also briefed the state of fleet, and the Districts community involvement and plans for the upcoming National Night Out. No Action taken.
- The Chief and Board discussed the part time program and when it may be capable of being implemented. The Chief discussed his plans for 24/7 staffing for the next year. The Board requested additional information from the Chief on this subject so that the Board could discuss further.

Then the Board discussed the benefits and salary package for the full time Fire Chief position. W. Yates made a motion to offer the full time Chief position to Interim Chief Adam Strzelczyk with a salary of \$72,500.00 and paid medical for him and his children. Motion was seconded by R. Bippert. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 5/0 motion carries; After being offered, Chief Strzelczyk accepted the offer. The position starts October 1, 2021. At this time, W. Yates left the meeting.

The Board and District discussed status of capital improvements (bid packet C. preparation is ongoing). Then the Fire Chief discussed the ice machine and the yearly lease. M. Jackson made a motion, seconded by L. Arocha to authorize the Chief to finalize a lease for a station ice machine. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 4/0 motion carries; The Board then discussed temporary quarters for the central station and the cost associated. R. Bippert made a motion, seconded by L. Arocha to authorize the Chief to initiate a remodel in the station to establish temporary quarters at a cost not to exceed \$15,000. No discussion followed and a vote was taken, 4/0 motion carries;

Upon the completion of all listed business, R. Bippert made the motion to adjourn and L. Arocha seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the vote passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Jeffery Oltjendiers, President
Ryan Rippert, Vice President

ATTEST: