

Williamson County Emergency Services District #3

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Minutes for Regular Meeting

Thursday, December 17th, 2015 at 12:00pm

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Commissioner Hejl called the meeting to order at 12:04 pm.

Commissioners Present: Garry Guthrie, Dan Hejl, Mike Cooper
Commissioner Miller arrived at 12:06 and Commissioner Brown arrived at 12:13

Hutto Fire Rescue Staff Present: Chief Kerwood, MaryAnn Buchanan, Drew Neal, Rob Bocanegra, Eric Woods, Jason Oltman, Louis Jahn, Mike Glanville, Ivan Valenzuela

Guest: Donald L. Allman, CPA

II. PUBLIC COMMENT & PRESENTATIONS

1. Public Comment – None
2. Fire Chief Report – Written report – Conditional offers of employment were made yesterday to three firefighters here. They are conditional due to awaiting department physical results that we should have on Monday. They will then begin full time January 4th, 2016. The board needs to decide on a date for the sales tax public forum. This will be held the last week of January or the first week of February at 7pm.
3. HPFFA Report – Rob Bocanegra, President, reported that the association continues to remain thirteen members strong and hope to add three new members next month. The association is in full support of Chief and this board with the upcoming sales tax election and are here to assist. The board members from Hutto has Heart were here this morning and we were able to present them with a two thousand dollar check.
4. HCV Report – Live fire training will take place January 16th, 2016. Once completed they will be able to challenge the state test for the TCFP and will then be employable firefighters. One of the firefighters in this group has just become one of our new full time firefighters (he was already TCFP certified). Last week we ran several people through a physical agility test as the start to forming a new group of volunteers. From that, we now have four new volunteers entering our program and they begin this evening.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

1. None Scheduled

IV. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The below Consent Agenda items are considered for approval by one vote unless a Commissioner requests for a particular item to be pulled and given further consideration as a Regular Agenda item.

1. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from the regular meeting held December 3rd, 2015.
2. Discussion and possible approval of accounts paid and accounts payable.

Commissioner Brown made a motion with a second by Commissioner Hejl that the consent agenda be approved as presented. Passed 5-0.

V. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discussion and possible action on 2014/2015 Audit. Mr. Allman presented the audit. Commissioner Hejl made a motion with a second by Commissioner Miller to accept and approve the 2014/2015 audit, noting the percentage correction on page six that will be corrected by Mr. Allman, and to forward a copy of the final audit on to the county. Passed 5-0.
2. Discussion and possible action on TXDOT (FM 1660 property). There are now new people on this project and were not made aware of us already working on an agreement with them to purchase the whole amount of the property. Chief Kerwood met with the appraisers (hired by TXDOT) and they agree that the remaining portion of property will be unusable for us and will recommend to TXDOT to purchase the whole property. No action at this time by the board.
3. Discussion and possible action purchase of thermal imager camera. Commissioner Cooper made a motion with a second by Commissioner Guthrie to approve the purchase of the thermal imager camera. Passed 5-0.
4. Discussion and possible action on revised Purchasing Policy. Commissioner Miller made a motion with a second by Commissioner Hejl to approve the revised Purchasing Policy as presented. Passed 5-0.
5. Discussion and possible action on new Weapons Policy. The TFCA, a few months ago, began looking into information regarding the open carry law that is going into effect. We have begun researching cities and other ESD's to see what they have put in place regarding signs (open carry and concealed) and policies. This draft policy is taken from what the City of Hutto has in place. We will have a policy put in place internally. Commissioner Brown made a motion with a second by Commissioner Miller to approve the policy with the exception of removing item C1B. Motion did not pass. Item tabled.

VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

The Williamson County Emergency Services District #3 Board of Commissioners will adjourn from its regular session and convene in closed/executive sessions pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 551:

1. None Scheduled

VII. FINAL ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

The Williamson County Emergency Services District #3 Board of Commissioners will reconvene in open session to take any necessary action(s).

1. None Scheduled

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular monthly meeting will be held Thursday, January 28th, 2015 at 12 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Meeting adjourned

Submitted: _____
Dan Hejl, Secretary Date

Approved: _____
Bill Brown, President Date