

HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 50

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Commissioners
December 7, 2020

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 50 ("District") met by telephone conference call on December 7, 2020, in accordance with the duly posted notice of said meeting and with the March 16, 2020 Order of Governor Abbott, with a quorum of Directors present, as follows:

Jim Owens, President
Benjamin Ballew, Vice President
Brenda Biggers, Secretary
Michael Burr, Treasurer
Alma Cedillo, Commissioner

And the following absent:

None.

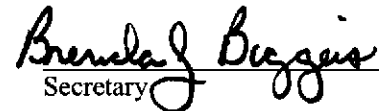
Also present were Mr. Bob Ideus, Mr. Jimmy Sumbera, Chief Ryan Thistle, and Mr. Wm. Scott Smith.

The meeting was called to order and declared open for such business as might regularly come before it.

1. The Board opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was presented.
2. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the November 2 and 16, 2020 meetings with a correction to the November 2 minutes..
3. Mr. Ideus presented the bookkeeper's report. Upon motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the bookkeeper's report and the checks listed thereon.
4. The Board unanimously approved the continuation of the audit engagement with McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot, PLLC for the December 31, 2020 audit.
5. Mr. Sumbera presented the administrator's report and noted that EMS billing was \$1,290,115 for the year. The Santa parade will be held on December 18. There currently are six openings in the fire suppression division. Two EMTs will be transferred to the suppression side, and job postings will be issued for those two EMS vacancies as well as the additional fire suppression vacancies.
6. The Board unanimously approved the property and casualty insurance proposal from VFIS. The Board unanimously approved the workers compensation policy proposed by the Levitt Group for workers compensation coverage.
7. There was nothing new to report on the construction of the training facility.
8. Mr. Owens reported that operations at the dispatch center are proceeding well with no unusual conditions.
9. Chief Thistle presented the fire chief's report noting that there were 340

EMS calls with an average response time of between 5 and 6 minutes. There were 96 fire suppression calls with an average response time of 4-5 minutes. Chief Thistle reported that the insurance services organization has issued its recommendations for the District's ISO rating of a 1/1x. This is an outstanding rating for the department and only 2% of the fire departments in the nation meet this standard. The Board congratulated the department staff on fine work and improving the ISO rating.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary