

MINUTES
HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 24
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The Harris County Emergency Services District No.24 met in regular session open to the public at Aldine Fire & Rescue Station 31 on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 20440 Imperial Valley Drive, Houston, TX. 77073.

Commissioner Jerry LOYD called roll at 11:15am and all of said persons were present: Commissioner Loretta ROBINSON, Commissioner Lee SPILMAN Commissioner Eva GARCIA and Commissioner Maria GOMEZ.

Also, present was Fire Chief Dave PARKER, Asst. Chief Edmundo VENEGAS, Francheska SANTIAGO Community Liaison, Arthur NAVARRO, Augustin MARTINEZ, Caleb CARRIKER, Irene RAMOS, Anthony LOPEZ, John ZAPIEN, Landon JONES, Rick REEG with Aldine Fire & Rescue, David BESSOIO, Brad FULLINGTON, Keith GOULD with Lone Star Emergency Group, and Adam TABAK district counsel with Coveler and Peeler.

Pledge of Allegiance Recited.

4. TO PAY THE DISTRICT'S BILL:

Motion by Commissioner SPILMAN; seconded by Commissioner GARCIA with a vote of 5 to 0 to approve the payment of the bills presented for the month of October 2018.

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10. TO RECEIVE THE PURCHASE OR REPLACEMENT OF APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, AND VEHICLES AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

Chief PARKER explained the opportunity to be presented to all the district' staff to submit their opinions/thoughts on both demo ladder trucks; PARKER further explains how having a Quint in our department would allow us to better serve our community.

Motion by Commissioner GARCIA, seconded by Commissioner GOMEZ with a vote of 5 to 0 to approve the agreement presented by Lone Star Emergency Group for the E-ONE Ladder truck in the amount of \$953,528.00.

5. TO MODIFY AND AMEND THE DISTRICT'S 2018 BUDGET:

Fire Chief PARKER updated the board of commissioners on Engine 31: the torsion bar broke, causing further damage. The amount to cover the incurred expenses for Engine 31 will be \$13,556.50.

Motion by Commissioner ROBINSON; seconded by Commissioner GARCIA with a vote of 5 to 0 to approve the amount of \$13,566.50 for all extended repairs on Engine 31.

6. TO RECEIVE A REPORT RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF STATION #11:

Fire Chief PARKER informed the board of Commissioners that the department should continue receiving bids until next Friday 10/12/18. Additionally, PARKER mentioned that many contractors are asking a variation of questions, therefore they are being reviewed.

No action, item tabled.

7. TO RECEIVE A REPORT RELATED TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF STATION #21:

Asst. Chief VENEGAS notified the Commissioners that there have not been any issues presented regarding station 21's a/c unit. VENEGAS will be having a second evaluation completed by Air Geeks to ensure all the repairs were completed correctly.

Motion by Commissioner GARCIA; seconded by commissioner GOMEZ and approved with a vote of 5 to 0 to give consent to Chief PARKER to negotiate unused land at station 21.

8. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ELECTRONIC SIGNAGE AT ALL DISTRICT STATIONS:

SANTIAGO informed the board of Commissioners that Station 21 and Station 31 is currently working properly and she is updating the signage as necessary.

No action taken.

9. TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTAE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOURTH STATION:

Commissioner's went into executive session at 1:28pm.

14. TO MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §551.071 TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, SETTLEMENT OFFERS OR ON MATTERS WHICH REQUIRE CONFIDENTIALITY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS:

15. TO MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §551.072 TO DELIBERATE REGARDING REAL ESTATE MATTERS:

16. TO MEET IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE §551.074 TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS:

Open session resumed at 2:05pm.

Item # 9 re-opened

9. TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL ESTATE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FOURTH STATION:

Motion by Commissioner ROBINSON; seconded by Commissioner GARCIA with a vote of 5 to 0 to approve contract offer for additional land.

10. TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND REPLACEMENT OF APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES, AND VEHICLES AS REQUESTED BY THE DEPARTMENT:

No action taken, item tabled.

11. TO APPROVE THE REPAIR OF APPARATUS, EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES AND VEHICLES:

Chief PARKER updated the board of commissioner that Engine 31 is currently out of service, and that Pierce would be handling Engine 31 under warranty. Additionally, PARKER expressed that he is making it high priority to have all graphic designs done on the ladder truck before the 50th anniversary.

Chief NAVARRO notified the board of commissioners that high water vehicle 11 will be ready in the next few months.

No action.

12. TO APPROVE REQUESTS FOR FIREFIGHTING OR ADMINISTRATIVE CLASSES, COURSE MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT AND RELATED EXPENDITURES INCURRED FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE DISTRICT:

No action, item tabled.

13. TO REVIEW AND ACT ON DISTRICT PERSONNEL MATTERS INCLUDING ACTIONS REGARDING COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, SCHEDULING, RETENTION, HIRING AND/OR TERMINATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEES INCLUDING MEDICS, COMMAND STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

No action, item tabled.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner GARCIA moved for adjournment; seconded by Commissioner ROBINSON and approved with a vote of 5 to 0 to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:24pm.