

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ESD 1
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

The Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County ESD 1, convened in SPECIAL session on August 08, 2018 with the following Board Members to-wit:

Members Present: J. Steven Weisinger, President
 Chuck Frank, Vice President
 Robert Walker, Secretary
 Sharene Carr, Treasurer
 David Cooper, Commissioner

The Special meeting of Montgomery County ESD 1 was called to order on August 08, 2018 at 6:22 P.M. by President J. Steven Weisinger. All members were present, therefore constituting a quorum. Also present were Fire Chief Jason Oliphant, Assistant Chief Shane Houser, Deputy Chief Kevin Kaliszewski, Battalion Chief Josh Montgomery, Office Administrator Debbie Gregory, Administrative Assistant Crystal LaCaze, Administrative Assistant Andrea Meek, Accountant Brian Desilets and Olivia Cuellar as well as several firefighters. District legal counsel John Peeler appeared via telephone.

The 2018-2019 Budget was presented by staff to the Board for approval with recommendations. Staff noted that the proposed budget includes paying cash for 2 new apparatus' and financing new air packs. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Frank and seconded by Commissioner Carr, the board voted unanimously to approve the FY 2018-2019 budget as presented.

The Board reviewed the 2018 Tax Rate, upon a motion made by Commissioner Carr and seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to propose a 2018 tax rate of \$0.10/\$100, noting this is the same as the current rate. The Board set the following dates for the public hearings and meeting to take final action on the rate adoption:

First Public Hearing on August 22, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at the District office at 310 N. Danville Street, Suite A, Willis, Texas 77378.

Second Public Hearing on August 29, 2018 at 8:00 A.M. at the District office at 310 N. Danville Street, Suite A, Willis, Texas 77378.

Meeting to take final action to adopt the rate on September 12, 2018 at 6:00 P.M.

Assistant Chief Shane Houser discussed with the board the grading of the bid received for IT services and made a recommendation to move forward with Prime ITS. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Frank and seconded by Commissioner Cooper the board voted unanimously to accept the bid from PRIME ITS for IT services.

Administrative Assistant Crystal LaCaze had a copy of the Station 94 loan documents for the board to review regarding the interest rate increase.

Chief Oliphant informed the board that the department deployed a crew of 3 personnel and the TIFMAS truck to assist in the California Wildfires. The truck was shipped and the crew is currently waiting on it to arrive. The crew will be in California for 14 days on the line, in which they will return and another crew of 3 will be sent for another 14 days.

There being no further business, upon a motion made by Commissioner Frank and seconded by Commissioner Walker the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 8:28 P.M.

Debbie Gregory

**District Office Manager and Administrative Secretary
Montgomery County ESD 1**