

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ESD 1
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

The Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County ESD 1, convened in session on March 20, 2019 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, Assistant Treasurer

The regular meeting of Montgomery County ESD 1 was called to order March 20, 2019 at 6:10 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, Deputy Chief Thomas Pittman, Battalion Chief Kirk Bailey, Battalion Chief Bill Derks, Office Administrator Crystal LaCaze, Administrative Assistant Andrea Meek, Administrative Assistant Lynn Whitesides, District Legal Counsel John Peeler, Accountant Brian Desilets, and Bookkeeper Dana Smith, as well as several Firefighters.

Addressing item 2 of the agenda regarding minutes from the prior meeting, the Board took action on the following: Upon a motion made by Commissioner Carr and seconded by Commissioner Cooper, the Board voted unanimously to accept and approve minutes as presented from the regular meeting held on February 20, 2019.

Addressing item 3 of the agenda regarding financial matters, the Board took action on the following: Accountant Brian Desilets introduced his colleague Dana Smith, and then presented the monthly Bookkeeper's Report. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to accept the Bookkeeper's Report as presented and to approve payment of the district's monthly bills, as well as to accept the amended and restated Profit and Loss Report from the regular meeting held in November 2018.

Addressing item 4 of the agenda regarding old business, the Board took action on the following:
No action was taken on items 4a, 4b and 4c.

d. District Legal Counsel John Peeler addressed the 2 letters received from the City of Conroe regarding the 2 tracts of land on Wally Wilkerson Rd. and Seven Coves Rd., which were annexed on 12/15/2018, removing the territory from MCESD 1. Mr. Peeler advised that in order to relinquish duty to the City of Conroe, action should be taken to acknowledge the annexation by requesting that MCAD make the appropriate changes. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Carr, the Board voted unanimously to take action to acknowledge the annexation and request that MCAD make the changes.

No action was taken on items 4e, 4f, or 4g.

h. District Legal Counsel John Peeler, reported that a lender was selected at the regular meeting held on February 20, 2019, and presented the financing documents for Ladder 91, in order to finalize the purchase with Community First National Bank. Mr. Peeler also advised that a name change form needs to be included with the financing documents to support the department's name correction on the forms, and requested the approval and execution of the documents by the Board. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Carr, and seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to approve the documents as presented, including the amendment for the name correction, and the execution of the documents to finalize the purchase.

No action was taken on item 4i.

Addressing item 5 of the agenda regarding new business, District Legal Counsel John Peeler presented the 2019 Request for Verification of Exemption Information sent by the Montgomery Central Appraisal District to the department. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Walker, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the 2019 tax exemptions to reflect the same exemptions as the 2018 tax year.

Under items 6-8 of the agenda, at 6:35 P.M. the Board convened into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074, with Chief Jason Oliphant in attendance to consult with Legal Counsel John Peeler to review personnel matters and to review real estate matters.

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 7:45 P.M.

Addressing item 10 of the agenda, no action was taken.

Addressing item 11 of the agenda, Chief Jason Oliphant reported that he and the ISO consultant will be traveling to Austin, TX to meet with the Fire Marshal's Office, to discuss ISO road blocks. No further action was taken.

No public comments were offered under item 12 of the agenda.

Addressing item 13 of the agenda, regarding Agenda Items for the next meeting, nothing was offered; therefore no further action was taken.

There being no further business, upon a motion made by Commissioner Walker and seconded by Commissioner Carr, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:54 P.M.

Crystal LaCaze
District Office Manager and Administrative Secretary
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