

MONTGOMERY COUNTY ESD 1
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

The Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County ESD 1, convened in session via video conference call on September 22, 2020 with the following Board Members to-wit:

Members Present: J. Steven Weisinger, President
 Chuck Frank, Vice President
 Sharene Carr, Treasurer
 David Cooper, Assistant Treasurer/Secretary

Members Absent: None

The regular meeting of Montgomery County ESD 1 was called to order on September 22, 2020 at 5:35 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, Office Administrator Crystal LaCaze, Administrative Assistant Andrea Meek, Administrative Assistant Kayla Gibson, Battalion Chief Eric Rodriguez, Battalion Chief Kirk Bailey, District Legal Counsel John Peeler, Accountant Brian Desilets, Bookkeeper Santos Acuna, Jim Hollingshead and several Firefighters.

No Public Comments were offered.

Addressing item 3 of the agenda, Chief Oliphant announced the retirement of Jim Hollingshead. Chief Oliphant and Chief Houser presented Jim Hollingshead with a retirement gift in appreciation to 25 years of service to the Department.

Addressing item 4 of the agenda regarding minutes from the prior meeting, the Board took action on the following:

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Carr, the Board voted unanimously to accept and approve the special called meeting minutes and the regular board meeting minutes both held on August 21, 2020.

Addressing item 5 of the agenda, the Board took action on the following:

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Carr and seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to accept the bookkeepers report as presented by Accountant Brian Desilets and to approve payment of the District's monthly bills.

Addressing item 6 of the agenda, No action was taken.

Addressing item 7a of the agenda, No action was taken.

The Board postponed action on item 7b until after closed session.

Addressing items 8-12 of the agenda, under Government Code sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 and 551.087 related to closed sessions, the Board convened into Closed Session at 5:56 P.M.

Under item 12 of the agenda, The Board reconvened into Open Session at 6:33 P.M.

Coming out of Close Session, addressing item 7ba of the agenda, the Board took action on the following:

Upon a motion made by Commissioner Frank and seconded by Commissioner Carr, the Board voted unanimously to approve the settlement of the current construction claims against Grossman Design Build and to authorize the Board President to execute the settlement agreement pending the minor corrections that were discussed in Closed Session.

Addressing item 13 of the Agenda, Chief Oliphant reported job offers have been made and several Firefighters should start the beginning weeks of October 2020.

Addressing item 14 of the Agenda, Chief Oliphant announced that we currently have 6 members deployed to the Creek Fire in California who have been there for 11 days. If there is no improvement on the fires soon, we may be sending new crew members out to relieve those who are already there. Chief Oliphant also presents the August 2020 call volume report.

Addressing item 15 of the Agenda, no requests for agenda items were made for the next meeting.

Addressing item 16 of the Agenda, there being no further business, a motion made by Commissioner Cooper and seconded by Commissioner Frank, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:39 P.M.

Crystal LaCaze

District Office Manager and Administrative Secretary
Montgomery County ESD 1