

MONTGOMERY COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #8
BOARD MEETING
August 6, 2012

Members Present:

James Kelly, President
George Biernesser, Vice-President
Rodney Otto, Treasurer
Andy Walters, Asst. Treasurer
John Rodriguez, Secretary

Members Absent:

None

Guests Present:

Chief Robert Hudson, Asst. Chief Michael Johnson,
Deputy Chief Clinton Cooke, Kaye Townley with MAC,

Call to Order:

The Board meeting was called to order by President James Kelly at 6:41 p.m. at 335 Volunteer Lane.

Citizen Comments (for matters not on the agenda) – this provides an opportunity for citizens to comment on non-agenda items in advance of the regular business of the Board. Comments shall be limited to five minutes per person. Comments by Commissioners in response to such citizen comments shall be limited to:

- A. Statements of specific factual information in response to an inquiry;
- B. Statements of existing District policy;
- C. Direction to place an item on a future District Agenda.

No comments were made.

To consider and approve the minutes from prior meeting(s).

Andy Walters made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for the July 2, 2012 meeting. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To receive Treasurer's report.

Kaye Townley presented to the Board.

To consider and act on any Resolution(s) to designate and authorize Municipal Accounts to execute wire transfers, open and close Certificates of Deposit by telephone/fax/email.

Rodney Otto made a motion to authorize purchasing a CD with Icon bank. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To review and take action on District bills

Rodney Otto made a motion to accept the bills. Andy Walters seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider and act on opening an account with Chemguard-Williams Operations, Tyco Fire Protection Products.

Andy Walters made motion to open an account with Chemguard-Williams whom we purchase foam from. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider and act on the purchase of a rescue boat package.

Chief Hudson addressed the Board regarding purchasing a rescue boat from Specialty Boat Services of Kinwood Texas. This item was part of the 2012-2013 budget. We have had a couple of occurrences within the District where flooding has occurred. We are significantly concerned about some of the low-lying areas with the significant rainfall that we have received and want to be prepared to provide rescue to residents should that need arise. The price of the demo is \$21,000.00. The price includes the boat, a single trailer, electric start motor, light bar, command console (steering wheel and controls), and diver platform. We were able to use and inspect the boat for a week. The boat does not show wear or use. We recommend swapping the double stack trailer for a single stack trailer. The District saves \$5,000.00 buying the demo rather than buying a brand new boat. Other departments have spoken highly of the boat and its capabilities and ease of use in emergencies. Fire Administration recommends purchasing the boat and paying for it out of the 2011-2012 budget.

Andy Walters made a motion to purchase the boat package. Rodney Otto seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider and act on purchasing fitness equipment for Station 11-1.

Chief Cooke addressed the Board regarding purchasing fitness equipment for Station 11-1. This purchase is part of the 2011-2012 budget. The purchase of the equipment will give Station 11-1 the same equipment as the equipment that is currently at Station 11-2. The lowest bidder is Busy Body-Texas Home Fitness will also remove old equipment from Station 11-1.

Andy Walters made a motion to accept the bid from Busy Body-Texas Home Fitness for the purchase of fitness equipment for Station 11-1. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider and act on financing contract with Leasing 2 for the construction of Station 11-4.

Howard Katz addressed the Board regarding the financing contract with Leasing 2. The terms have changed slightly from before the previous contract. The contract now reflects a real estate based loan with a 2.54% interest rate. Leasing 2 is a broker; therefore, the contract now includes closing costs of \$6,000.00. There are now also prepayments for early payoffs. Howard Katz believes this is still the best bid proposal that was submitted with this being the final proposal, which Brad Meyers confirmed via email which is attached.

Andy Walters made motion to accept the tax exempt financing quote, option one. Rodney Otto seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider and act on adopting the 2012 – 2013 FY Budget.

Chief Cooke addressed the Board. The 2012-2013 budget was presented with the revenue zeroed out with all additional monies allocated to contingency and vehicle replacement accounts. It should be noted that property values decreased so the ad valorem also decreased.

An Emergency Management subaccount will be created for Emergency Operations with a total budget of \$10,000.00

Rodney Otto made a motion to accept the 2012-2013 budget as presented with the addition stated above. Andy Walters seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To consider, adopt, and set by Order/Resolution the 2012 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations.

Approve tax rate of 10 cents

Andy Walters made a motion to set the tax rate by order of resolution to 10 cents for every hundred dollars of valuation. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To receive report from the District's Fire Chief.

Chief Hudson presented his report to the Board a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

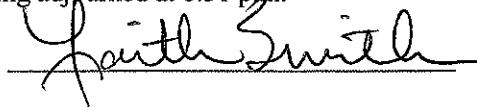
To consider agenda items for future meetings.

No items were presented.

Adjournment:

Rodney Otto made the motion to adjourn. George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of five (5) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST. The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully Presented By: Faith Smith



Approved By:

President James Kelly

Secretary John Rodriguez

