

**Bexar County
Emergency Services District No. 8
Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2017
6:30 P.M.**

The Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 conducted a meeting at 9900 Escondida, Helotes, Texas 78023 on June 6, 2017 beginning at 6:30 P.M. The following was discussed:

1. Commissioner Hune called the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 Meeting to Order at 6:34 P.M. and established a quorum. *Commissioner Logan was unable to attend.*
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Citizens to be heard (3-minute time limit per person.). *There were 2 citizens present to speak during this segment.*
4. Approval of Minutes from the May 2, 2017 Meeting. *Commissioner Yates made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Reeves seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 4/0 vote in favor of.*
5. Discussion regarding the status of ESD No. 4 and service delivery plan with services with Jack Huber, President of ESD No. 4. *Commissioner Huber spoke to the Board of how ESD No. 4 has managed to pay off the station and their fire apparatus within a very short time. They have over a million dollars in their reserve account and are currently looking to purchase property on the border between ESD 4 and ESD 8 to build a new station. He made mention of how well the automatic and mutual aid to each District works.*
6. Chief's Report:
 - a. Run Report. *The Chief noted that the response times were finally going back down. There were several lightning strikes in the area during the last storm.*
 - b. Update on Fire Service Operations. *The Chief followed up speaking about mutual aid as ESD No. 4 President had earlier. The Board was reminded about fire fighter Cassias' leaving the District to go work elsewhere. The final point that the Chief made was related to the new uniforms that should be arriving soon with the new department logo. He also stated that he would like to get dress uniforms for fire fighters at an approximate cost of \$ 300.00 per set. While not a necessity, it would be a nice gesture if the Board would approve the purchase.*

7. Discussion and possible action on the future office space, meeting and public hearing location. Current options include the following locations: Scenic Springs, 19215 Scenic Loop Rd.; La Escondida Celebration Center, 9900 Escondida Rd.; or ESD No. 8 Fire Station, 18515 Scenic Loop Rd. *Commissioner Hune gave the Board a copy listing the options available for each facility. Commissioner Reeves spoke about the need for an ESD office and included an estimate of what it would cost to have the office at the La Escondida Center. Commissioner Voss made a motion to hold the meetings at the fire station. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 3/1 vote in favor of. Commissioner Reeves voted against the motion.*

8. ESD No. 8 Budget Preparation:

- a. Administrator provide forecast of upcoming fiscal year. *The Administrator presented the Board with a proposed budget for the new fiscal year showing estimates based on the maximum 8 % rollback amount and an estimated revenue based on a 4 % rollback amount should Senate Bill 2 pass in this year's legislative agenda.*
- b. Board discussion on priorities for the new fiscal year. *Commissioner Voss will be getting back with the Administrator and Commissioner Reeves to review the proposed budget.*
- c. Chief proposal for new fiscal year. *Commissioner Voss and the Chief spent some time in developing the proposed FY 2017 to present to the Board. At the meeting, the Chief presented the Board with the budget proposal for the new fiscal year which totaled more than what the Board would receive in incoming revenues based on today's projected income from the Appraisal District. The budget did not account for any of the necessary expenditures of the District. It was later explained that this was not a real budget but rather the Chief's wish list budget. In that wish list, the Chief wants to extend retirement benefits to all of the part-timers and the Administrator, add more personnel, buy more equipment and is requesting another line item for Public Relations. During the budget discussion, the Chief asked for clarification on how the payment from the City of Grey Forest was calculated. The line item was at \$40,000. Commissioner Reeves explained that the dollar amount is based on the tax rate set by the District, which is currently \$.10 per \$100. Chief Reddout suggested that since the City Council did not know this, the District could get more money by having the higher rate for the City. Commissioner Reeves pointed out that there was a councilperson in attendance.*

9. Financials.

- a. Review of the financial reports for the District. *The Board reviewed the financial reports for the District. They did not have any issues with the reports.*
 - b. Authorization to pay the bills through June 30, 2017. *Commissioner Reeves made a motion to pay the bills through the end of the month. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 4/0 vote in favor of.*
10. Review the annual meeting plan and request for any additional items for consideration at the next meeting agenda tentatively scheduled for July 11, 2017. *There will be another meeting on June 27, 2017 for the purpose of reviewing, accepting and submitting the FY 2016 Audit Report.*
 11. Adjourn. *With no further business before the Board, Commissioner Reeves made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Yates seconded the motion. Motion carried by a 4/0 vote in favor of. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 P.M.*

ATTEST:

Ms. Linda Logan
Secretary

Ms. Gloria Salinas
Administrator