Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 September 8, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. Meeting Minutes

In response to Executive Order No. GA-29 relating to the use of face coverings during the COVID-19 disaster, face masks shall be worn during the meeting and temperature checks will be taken when entering the meeting space. It is also requested that those attending this meeting adhere to the CDC Guidelines pertaining to Social Distancing during this meeting.

The Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 will conduct a meeting at the Grey Forest City Hall located at 18502 Scenic Loop Road, Helotes, Texas 78023 on September 8, 2020 beginning at 6:30 P.M. The following will be discussed with possible action as necessary:

- 1. Call the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 Meeting to Order and establish a quorum. Commissioner Hune called the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8 meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. and established a quorum
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 3. Moment of Silence for Capt. Bryant Anderson. Moment of silence was recognized.
- 4. Citizens to be heard. (Individuals will have 3 minutes) There were no citizens signed up to speak.
- 5. Approval of the minutes of the board meeting held on August 11, 2020. Commissioner Burke made a motion to accept the minutes. Commissioner Yates seconded. The motion carried by a vote 3-0
- 6. <u>PUBLIC HEARING</u> ON THE TAX RATE INCREASED BY THE ADOPTION OF A TAX RATE OF \$0.10 PER \$100 VALUATION, WHICH IS EFFECTIVELY INCREASE OF \$0.000770 OR 0.78 % INCREASE IN THE TAX RATE. Commissioner Hune opened the public hearing at 7:05 PM. There were no citizens in attendance. Commissioner Hune closed the public hearing at 7:06 PM
- 7. Discussion and appropriate action on adoption of the Bexar County ESD No. 8 Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. An overview of proposed budget was provided. The board recommended that the building manager receive a \$2,000 base pay increase to be funded by reducing other operating expenses. Commissioner Yates made a motion to accept the Bexar County ESD No. 8 Fiscal Year 2021 Budget. Commissioner Burke seconded. The motion carried by a vote 3-0
- 8. ACTION TO APPROVE BY VOICE VOTE ORDER 09-08-20-6 OF THE BEXAR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 8 LEVYING THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY \$0.000770 OR 0.78% AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS OF THE AVERAGE APPRAISED HOMESTEAD VALUE IN THE DISTRICT BY APPROXIMATELY \$38.00. Commissioner Yates made a motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$ 0.10000

per \$100 assessed valuation which is effectively a 0.78% increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Burke seconded. The motion carried 3-0

- 9. Discussion and possible action on Fire Station No. 2. Project Manager Sean Spyres provided update on Station No. 2 project. Items of note included recent hook up of water and septic system, with gas hookup being scheduled in coming weeks. Repair to exterior stone was also recently completed. Construction continues as planned from both a timing and budget perspective.
- 10. Discussion and possible action on property acquisition for Bexar County ESD No. 8 Station Number 3. Negotiations and discussions continue between our agent representative and property owners.
- 11. Discussion and possible action on the two Request for Proposals for legal representation for the Legal representation for Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 8. Five responses have been received. The Board determined to allow more time for review of the proposals and move the discussion of this item to the October meeting.
- 12. Chief's Report on the ESD No. 8 Run Report and Operations Update. Chief Reddout provided the Board with a review of the number of calls for service, and a review of overall response times. Items of note this month included several calls associated with control burns and multiple lighting strikes. The staff participated in Captain Anderson's services, and Chief is currently looking to fill vacant positions due to current staff accepting other job opportunities.
- 13. Administrator's Report and review of the financial status of the District. Financial reports reviewed for the period.
- 14. Review of the meeting planner and take requests from the Board for any agenda items to be consider at the next meeting scheduled for October 13, 2020. Items to consider next meeting include legal RFP discussion and hearing from a representative on sales tax from HDL.
- 15. Adjourn. With no further business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

The above notice was posted at the Bexar County Courthouse, Grey Forest City Hall and the Bexar County Emergency Service District No. 8 Fire Station no later than 6:00 P.M., Saturday, September 5, 2020.

The Board may retire to Closed Meeting any time as allowed by applicable law between the meeting's opening and adjournment to discuss items listed on the agenda, including, but not limited to, consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Chapter 551.071 of the Texas Government Code; discussion of personnel matters pursuant to Chapter 551.074 of the Texas Government Code and/or discussion of real estate acquisition pursuant to Chapter 551.072 of the Texas Government Code. Action, if any, will be taken in open session.

ATTEST:

Chris Costley

Mr. William Burke

Secretary/Assistant Treasurer