



BEXAR COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No. 2



MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 25, 2021

Effective March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott authorized the temporary suspension of some of the statutory provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Law. This Meeting of the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 2 Board of Commissioners was held pursuant to this authorization and will limit face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Corona Virus (COVID19), which allowed the public to participate in this meeting via GoToMeeting computer audio and phone connectivity as published in the Notice of Meeting.

Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 2 conducted a meeting in the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 2 Meeting Room located at 14785 Omicron Drive, Building 100, Suite 124, San Antonio, TX 78245, to discuss the following:

1. **Call the Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 2 Meeting to order and establish a quorum.**
– The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM (19:34) by Commissioner Harris. A quorum was established with Commissioner Rait present in person. Commissioner Harris, Commissioner Noakes, and Commissioner Fite were present and clearly audible via teleconference using GoToMeeting. Commissioner Cash was absent.
2. **Citizens Public Comment (Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes to address the Board. The Board will not comment or engage in discussion.)** - There were no requests for Citizens Public Comment. Commissioner Cash joined the meeting at 7:40 PM (19:40).
3. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding Monthly Command Staff Report to include:**
The Fire Chief presented the monthly command staff report. Commissioner Cash disconnected to the meeting at 7:50 PM. Commissioner Cash joined at 7:54 PM (19:54). Commissioner Cash was disconnected due to technical issues at 8:02 PM (20:02). The Commissioners connected via teleconference continued to be clearly audible.
 - a. **Fire Department ISO rating** – Administration provided an update on the status of the ISO review being conducted by ISO. Action was not taken on this item.
 - b. **Purchase of Radio Straps** – A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to approve the proposal from Fully Involved Leather Works to purchase radio straps for all members and to purchase additional straps not to exceed a total cost of \$18,000. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Fite. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.
 - c. **Purchase of Airway Training System** – A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to approve the proposal from 7-Sigman to purchase an airway training system in the amount of \$7,440.20. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Fite. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.
 - d. **Annual employee health physicals** – Commissioner Cash joined the meeting at 8:02 PM (20:02). Commissioner Cash disconnected the meeting at 8:15 PM (20:15). A motion was made by Commissioner Noakes to accept the proposal from On-Duty Health to perform annual employee health physicals and medical evaluations, to include additional services not to exceed



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\$103,739.00 in total cost. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Rait. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

- e. **Purchase of Rescue Equipment** – A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to approve the proposal from GME Supply to purchase rescue equipment in the amount of \$25,089.91. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Noakes. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.
- f. **Purchase of AeroClave Decontamination Devices** – A motion was made by Commissioner Fite to approve the HGAC proposal from AeroClave to purchase decontamination devices in the amount of \$59,617.28. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Noakes. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

4. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the minutes from January 21, 2021.** – A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to approve the meeting minutes from January 21, 2021 as presented. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Fite. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

5. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the following financial items:**

- a. **Financial Reports**
- b. **Cash Reconciliations**
- c. **Investment Reports**
- d. **FY2020-2021 Budget Amendments**
- e. **Authorization to pay/ratify monthly bills due/paid**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to approve items 5.a – 5.e as presented. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Noakes. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

6. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the sales tax collections from government entities within the boundaries of Bexar County Emergency Services District No. 2.** – Action was not taken on this item.

7. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the purchase of property adjacent to 14515 Omicron Drive.** – Action was not taken on this item.

8. **Deliberations, update and/or action regarding the purchase of property near Bear Springs and Marbach Road for a future fire station.** – Action was not taken on this item.

9. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the hiring, appointment, employment, vacation, evaluation, duties, pay rates, compensation, benefits, retirement and/or reassignment of duties of public officers, commissioners, members, or employees.** – This item was moved to the end of the meeting. The meeting entered closed session under Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.074 for items 9 and 10 at 8:58 PM (20:58). The meeting entered open session at 9:43 with no action taken in closed session. The meeting entered a recess at 9:43 PM (21:43). The meeting was called to order at 9:51 PM (21:51). A quorum was established with Commissioner Rait present in person. Commissioner Harris, Commissioner Noakes, and Commissioner Fite were present and clearly audible via teleconference using GoToMeeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to increase the entire pay scale by 2% rounded up to the nearest penny for cost of living increases to take affect March 8, 2021,



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with a pay date of March 26, 2021. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Fite. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

- 10. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the Bexar County ESD No. 2 et al v. Gary Belzung d/b/a Gary Belzung et al; Cause No. 2019-CI-10108; 73rd Judicial District; Bexar County, Texas.** – This item was moved to the end of the meeting. A motion was made by Commissioner Rait to proceed as discussed in closed session. A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Fite. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.
- 11. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding operations during the February 14, 2021 – February 20, 2021 winter storm.** – Chief Rodriguez provided a status update on the operational events that occurred during the February 14 – February 20 weather event. Action was not taken on this item.
- 12. **Deliberation, update and/or action regarding the acquisition of additional resources in preparation of natural and/or manmade disasters.** – A discussion occurred to obtain proposals for necessary resources to further improve the District’s resources to continue to be successful in a natural and/or manmade disaster. The administration will research the availability and costs of those resources to present at a later date. Action was not taken on this item.
- 13. **Determine date, time and any agenda items for the next meeting.** – March 25, 2021 at 7:00 PM
- 14. **Adjourn.** – A motion was made by Commissioner Noakes to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 PM (21:55). A second to the motion was made by Commissioner Harris. The motion carried with 4-Aye and 0-Ney.

ATTEST:

Signature

DAVID C HARRIS / President

Name/Title

25 MAR 21

Date

Signature

Chris Rait / Treasurer

Name/Title

26 Mar 21

Date