

HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 12
Minutes of Meeting of Board of Commissioners
February 2, 2021

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 12 ("District") met February 2, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. by telephone conference call, in accordance with the duly posted notice of the meeting, with a quorum present, as follows:

William B. Anders, President
David W. Proctor, Vice President
Larry Helgesen, Secretary
Frank Staley, Treasurer
Bryan Clements, Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

And the following absent:

None.

Also present were Mr. Bob Ideus, Chief Ed Russell, and Mr. Wm. Scott Smith.

The meeting was called to order and declared open for such business as might regularly come before it.

1. Commissioner Staley presented the invocation.
2. The Board opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was presented.
3. The Board deferred consideration of the minutes of the prior meeting due to their unavailability.
4. Chief Russell presented the fire chief's report including an update on COVID-19 protocols at the department. The Board reviewed an update on the status of the vehicles and apparatus in the District. The transition to the new incident response system is underway. There was one apartment fire in the District during the prior week which was put out quickly.
5. The Board unanimously approved the employment contract with Fire Chief Ed Russell for the next 3-year period.
6. The Board reviewed the property tax collection report indicating that 2020 taxes are 18% collected as the day of the report which was December 31, 2020.
7. The Board unanimously approved adopting an additional 20% penalty to defray the cost of delinquent tax collection in accordance with the Texas Tax Code.

8. The Board unanimously approved the bookkeeper's report and the checks listed thereon.

9. Mr. Smith stated that his firm has filed the Senate Bill 625 report with the Texas Comptroller which provides certain financial and operating information with respect to the District.

10. Mr. Anders stated that the ECOM meeting will be coming up soon and encouraged the commissioners to visit the Safe-D website for information regarding the required commissioner training.

11. The Board discussed changing the operational name of the fire department. Commissioner Proctor presented a summary of the activities of the committee including conducting surveys of District residents. Mr. Proctor stated that the committee spoke with approximately 70 people and described the results of the survey. The committee recommended changing the operational name of the department to Harris County ESD 12 Fire Department with designations on the front of each engine indicating the station from which they operate. The Board unanimously approved the change of the operational name of the fire department.

12. Mr. Smith stated that he has received one more response to the inquiries regarding acquisition of property near station No. 1.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary