#### COMAL COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No. 4

### **MEETING NOTES**

## August 18, 2016

NOTICE was given of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Comal County Emergency Services District No. 4 will be held Thursday, the 18th day of August 2016, beginning at 5:30 p.m., at the Bremer Training Center at 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, Texas 78070 for the following purposes:

Call meeting to order; at 5:30 PM all board members present, President Paul Graf, Vice President Bret Barnett, Deena Clausen Treasure and Josh Dean Secretary.

## **WORKSHOP AGENDA**

1. Citizen comments (limited to 3 minutes and any comment made on subjects not included on the published agenda will not be discussed or action taken by the board); Public Comment: In accordance with the Texas Attorney General's opinion, any public comment that is made on an item that is not on the published agenda will only be heard by the Board of Commissioners. No formal action, discussion, nor comment will be made by the Board of Commissioners; there were no citizens to be heard.

# **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- Discuss and consider Consent Agenda:
- a. August 4, 2016 Special Meeting minutes;
- b. July 19, 2016 Regular Meeting minutes;
- c. Monthly Financial Reports;
- d. Monthly bills and invoices; Mr. Barnett made a motion to accept consent agenda, Ms. Clausen seconded, passed unanimously.
- 2. Discuss and consider any items related to the 311/Rebecca Creek Station; Mr. Barnett made a motion to get three bids for demolition and cleanup of the old hotel located at the 311/ Rebecca Creek Station, Ms. Clausen seconded, passed unanimously.
- 3. Discuss and consider any items related to the Mystic Shores area station; nothing to report.
- 4. Update on BSBES activities, financials, and other related items; nothing to report.
- 5. Discuss and consider taking action regarding the 2016 tax rate, including;
- a. establishing proposed tax rate; Ms. Clausen made a motion to leave the tax rate unchanged at \$0.060000 per \$100 of taxable value. Mr. Dean seconded.
- b. taking record vote and consider scheduling two public hearings for September 1, Mr. Graf voted yes, Mr. Barnett voted yes, Ms. Clausen voted yes and Mr. Dean voted yes.

2016, and September 8, 2016; Ms. Clausen made a motion to hold both meetings at the Bremer Training Center at 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, Texas at 6 PM.

c. authorizing publications of "Notice of Public Hearings on Tax Increase" and/or

"Notice of Effective Tax Tate" in the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung to be printed

on or before August 25, 2016 and September 7, 2016; Ms. Clausen made a motion to authorize publications of Notice of Public Hearings on Tax Increase and/or Notice of Effective Tax Tate in the New Braunfels Herald-Zeitung. Mr. Dean seconded passed unanimously.

- 6. Update on ESD Council activities; nothing new to report.
- 7. Discuss and consider any JSPA modifications; nothing new to report.
- 8. Discuss and consider a policy on FOIA requests; nothing new to report.
- 9. Discuss and consider financing the acquisition of the fire truck to be delivered in 2016; nothing new to report.
- 10. Update, discuss and consider any items on ISO study; In progress
- 11. Discuss and consider any items related to the recent FOIA from Mr. Binkley;
- 12. Discuss and consider any items related to the 2016 or 2017 budgets including approving a budget for 2017;
- 13. Discuss and consider items related to placing Engine 71 in Service
- 14. Discuss time and date for the next regular meeting planned for September 14, 2016; at 5:30 PM
- 15. Adjourned at 6:49 PM.

The Board of Commissioners is authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act to convene in closed or executive session for certain purposes. Executive Sessions may include the following: consultation with attorney for litigation or a settlement offer (Sec. 551.071), deliberations regarding real property (Sec. 551.072), deliberation regarding a contract being negotiated (Sec.551.0725), deliberation regarding a prospective gift (Sec. 551.073), personnel matters (Sec. 551.074), personnel matters affecting a county advisory body (Sec. 551.0745), deliberation regarding security devices or security audits (Sec. 551.076), and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (Sec. 551.087). If the Board decides to enter executive session regarding any item on this agenda, the Presiding Officer will announce that an executive session will be held and will identify the item to be discussed and the provision from the Open Meetings Act that authorizes the closed or executive session. Comal County Emergency Services District No. 4 and the Bulverde-Spring Branch Emergency Services are committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modifications and equal access to communications will be provided upon request by calling (830) 228-4501 for assistance and information. Hearing impaired or speech disabled persons equipped with telecommunications devices for the deaf may utilize the statewide Relay Texas Program, 1-800-735-2988. Board went into executive session at 6:06 PM and came out of Executive Session at 6:45 PM, no decisions made.

Josh Dean, Secretary

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