

PARKER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting held March 29, 2018
at Hudson Oaks Public Safety Building
150 North Oakridge Drive
Hudson Oaks, Texas

Call to Order and Roll Call

- a. Meeting called to order by Commissioner Ed Huddleston at 8:02 am.
- b. A quorum was present. Commissioners Ed Huddleston, Jerry Brooks, Wally Wallace, Elvera Johnson, and Betty Reinert were in attendance. Also present at the meeting were Fire Chief Ron Schultz, District Administrator Donna Lambert and Weatherford Chief Paul Rust.

2016-2017 Audit

- a. Mr. Peter Morgan of George, Morgan & Sneed, P. C. presented the 2016-2017 Audit Report to the board.
- b. After a review of the audit, motion was made by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the Audit Report. Motion passed unanimously.
- c. Motion made by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Reinert to accept the management representation letter. Motion passed unanimously.
- d. Motion made by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to authorize filing the report with Parker County Commissioners Court. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments and Announcements

- a. Commissioner Huddleston asked for public comment.
- b. Resident Jimmy Bodiford spoke in favor of the Interlocal Agreement between the ESD and the City of Weatherford. Mr. Bodiford questioned the board about making comments and asked if the public would be allowed to discuss items with the board. He also complained about the posting locations and time of meetings.

Commissioner Huddleston addressed the public saying that the board is obligated to provide the best service for the best price. Commissioner Johnson addressed the public regarding board obligations.

Resident Randy Stuck spoke in favor of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Weatherford. Mr. Stuck questioned the board about posting the Agenda.

Commissioner Brooks addressed the public regarding fire protection and the responsibility of the board.

Weatherford City Council Member Heidi Wilder spoke in favor of the Interlocal Agreement as both a Council Member and as an ESD resident.

Rob Allibon, Attorney for the City of Hudson Oaks and as a representative for the City of Weatherford spoke saying that in his opinion it is in the best interest of all parties for the contract to continue.

Fire Chief Paul Rust spoke about the data of the current contract term and the coverage of a 75 square mile area.

City of Weatherford Mayor Craig Swancy spoke in favor the of Interlocal Agreement saying that it benefits both parties and all residents.

Resident Jimmy Bodiford questioned if all parts of the ESD district are represented on the board.

An unidentified person asked the board about rumors of ESD3 and ESD1 merging. Commissioner Johnson responded to the attendees stating the board is dedicated to provide the best service possible to the residents and there had been no discussion with ESD1 regarding a merger.

Commissioner Brooks addressed the board stating that the board would never vote for any changes that would slow down service.

City of Hudson Oaks City Manager Patrick Lawler addressed the board stating that the City of Hudson Oaks is in favor of the contract which helps the ISO ratings for residents.

Resident Randy Stucks questioned the board as to the number of Commissioners allowed on the board. Commissioner Huddleston responded saying that 5 was the maximum number of Commissioners on an ESD board.

Commissioner Reinert addressed the public about the boards commitment to protecting tax payer money.

Commissioner Huddleston spoke to the attendees about using ESD1 on areas south of the Annetta railroad tracks as Mutual Aid.

Resident Rob Watson of Annetta North spoke in favor of seeing continued improvement in fire and emergency response services.

Hudson Oaks City Council Member Mark Povero addressed the board stating the district needs full time, fully qualified professions responding to calls. As the next Mayor of Hudson Oaks, he is concerned about the level of service if the Interlocal Agreement were to be cancelled stating another ESD cannot provide the current level of service. Mr. Povero agreed that the board needs to review the contract and associated costs. He also asked the board not to let politics drive their decisions. Commissioner Huddleston questioned Mr. Povero about the comment on politics. Mr. Povero replied that he was simply asking the board to not let politics enter into the decision making.

Resident Leacrecia Sosebee spoke regarding the wording of Item 12 on the Agenda. Mrs. Sosebee asked if any of the board members represent the newest annexed parts of the district. She requested that the board consider all parts of the district and represent them equally.

Commissioner Huddleston responded saying that all of the district is considered in all decisions. Commissioner Brooks agreed stating that all areas are considered.

City Manager Patrick Lawler stated that the contract does a good job of protecting the City of Weatherford, the City of Hudson Oaks and the all ESD3 residents.

Commissioner Johnson introduced herself and Commissioner Reinert. Commissioner Johnson explained that she was contacted by a County Commissioner to apply for the position on the board.

Commissioner Huddleston introduced Commissioner Wallace and stated the board was in the process of purchasing land for a new station. Commissioner Huddleston stated that he does not think that anyone on the board is politically motivated.

City of Hudson Oaks Mayor, County Judge Elect Pat Deen questioned the board about the purchase of land and the location of a new station. Commissioner Huddleston responded stating that a few changes need to be made to the land purchase contract and that the current location being considered is located at the intersection of N. Oakridge Dr and Inspiration Drive.

Commissioner Brooks addressed the attendees about future expansion south towards the Annetta's and that the board is giving thought to where the station will be located.

Consent Items

- a. Motion made by Commissioner Wallace and seconded by Commissioner Brooks to approve the Minutes of the February 15, 2018 Regular Meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Huddleston called for a break in the meeting at 9:25 am.

Commissioner Huddleston called the meeting back to order at 9:42 am.

Fire Chief's Report

- a. Chief Ron Schultz presented a Chief's Report.
- b. Motion by Commissioner Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Huddleston to accept the Chief's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

Incident Report

- a. Chief Rust presented the Incident Report for the month of February, 2018.
- b. Motion made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Reinert to accept the report. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report

- a. The monthly bills, invoices and payroll for February, 2018 were reviewed. The expenses of \$2,000.00 and above were reviewed. Commissioner Wallace presented the financial reports.
- b. Motion made by Commissioner Reinert and seconded by Commissioner Brooks to approve the monthly bills, invoices, payroll, the payment of expenses of \$2,000.00 and above, and the financial reports for February 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

Interlocal Agreement for Dispatch Services

- a. Motion made by Commissioner Huddleston and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to table this item. Motion passed unanimously.

Annexation of District Territory

- a. Discussion of recently annexed territory by the City of Weatherford.
- b. Motion made by Commissioner Huddleston and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the district Administrator to contact the district attorney regarding the annexation. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Huddleston call for Executive Session at 10:09 am to discuss items 11, 12 and 13 on the Agenda

Commissioner Huddleston called for Open Session at 11:31 am.

District Apparatus**Real Property**

- a. Motion made by Commission Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Reinert to table items 11 and 13. Motion passed unanimously.

Joint Operating Agreement

- a. Motion to take no action pending consultation with district attorney. Motion passed unanimously.
- a. No action taken.

Agenda, Time and Date for next meeting

- a. A regular meeting was scheduled for April 19, 2018 at 8:00 am at the Hudson Oaks Public Safety Building, Hudson Oaks, Texas.

Adjournment

- a. Motion made by Commissioner Huddleston and seconded by Commissioner Brooks to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Commissioner Huddleston adjourned the meeting at 11:33 am.

Weldon Wallace, Secretary/Treasurer
Board of Commissioners