**Meeting Minutes -Montgomery County Emergency Services District No. 6**

The Montgomery County Emergency Services District No. 6 Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting at the Porter Fire Station #121, 2350 Loop 494, Porter, Texas 77365 on March 17, 2025 at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President David Miller.

**Commissioners present**: David Miller, Caleb Smith, T.J. Davidson, Donnie Click and Terry Barnhill.

**Also attending:** Chief Carter Johnson, Jessica Black, Eric Gonzalez of Clarity Consulting Corporation, District Legal Counsel Krystine Ramon of Coveler & Peeler, P.C and members of Montgomery County District No. 6.

**Commissioners not present:** None

**Public attendees:** None

* The Board convened and the meeting was called to order by President Miller at 12:12 P.M.
* The Board conducted roll call with a quorum present.
* The Board opened the floor for public comment. There were no public comments.
* The Board next addressed item 3 of the agenda, to approve minutes of prior meetings. Motion by Commissioner Davidson and second by Commissioner Barnhill to approve the meeting minutes from the February 25, 2025 meeting. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board then addressed item 4 of the agenda: to act on financial reports, investments, and bills. Eric Gonzalez from Clarity Consulting presented to the Board the District’s financial statement. Mr. Gonzalez presented to the Board the District Cash and Investment Report, Pledged Securities Report, First Financial Checking Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial Payroll Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial State Reimbursement Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial CPR PayPal Account Cash Flow Report, Profit and Loss Budget Performance, Montgomery County Monthly Tax Collection Report, Montgomery County Tax Office Deposit Distribution Report, Montgomery County Tax Office Receivables Report, First Financial Sales Tax Account Cash Flow Report, Sales Tax Allocation Report and Sales Tax Revenue Graph. Motion by Commissioner Davidson and second by Commissioner Click to accept the financial report as presented and pay bills. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.** For more detailed information concerning the District’s financial condition, see the financial reports on file with the District.
* The Board then addressed item 5 of the agenda, to authorize recurring payments for bills electronically by the District. Chief Johnson asked the Board if they would consider approving automatic payments for recurring monthly utility bills only. Legal counsel Krystine Ramon informed the Board that this is allowed under the Texas Health and Safety Code. Motion by Commissioner Davidson and second by Commissioner Barnhill to approve automatic payments for recurring utility bills. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 6, to review and take action on granting exemptions for 2025. Legal counsel Krystine Ramon presented to the Board that each year the District has the option to grant tax exemptions for homestead, over 65 and disability. Ms. Ramon stated in 2024, the District granted a tax exemption for over 65, for forty thousand dollars ($40,000). Motion by Commissioner Smith and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve a tax exemption for 2025 of forty thousand dollars ($40,000) for over 65. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 7 of the agenda, to act on amendments/revisions to District current year budget(s). There were no amendments at this time. No action was taken.
* TheBoard then addressed agenda item 8, to review and act on items related to construction, improvements, repairs, renovations, and equipment purchases for District facilities, including selection/engagement of contractor(s), architectural, testing or other services. Chief Johnson presented to the Board that the foundation for Station 125 will be poured on March 18, 2025. Chief Johnson informed the Board that there have been some delays in getting water from the MUD. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed item 9, to review and act on disposition of surplus and/or salvage property. Chief Johnson informed the Board that the Corrigan Fire Department has picked up the flatbed and water tank. No action was taken.
* The Board next addressed item 10 of the agenda, acquisition and financing of capital equipment and vehicles. Chief Johnson presented to the Board that Engines 121 and 125 leave for final inspection. Chief informed the Board that there will be one (1) month for delivery and one (1) additional month to get into service. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed item 11 of the agenda regarding real estate matters. No action was taken.
* The Board next addressed item 12 of the agenda to approve a request for a utility and road easement on the eight (8) acres of Ford Road. Chief Johnson informed the Board that a person approached the District if an easement would be granted on the District’s Ford Road property of eight (8) acres. The Board discussed whether to grant an easement or not, and by general consent decided to hold off on granting an easement until further site planning is done on the property. No action was taken.
* The Board next addressed item 13 of the agenda, to receive a report from the Fire Department. Chief Johnson presented to the Board that the District had a busy month in February with four hundred and twenty-two (422) calls. Chief Johnson discussed with the Board if they would allow changing the status of the tanker to a blocker in dispatch. Chief informed the Board that the tanker is currently being used as a blocker. By general consent the Board allowed for Chief to change the status of the tanker to a blocker through dispatch.
* The Board then addressed agenda item 14, to review and discuss legislative updates. Chief Johnson presented to the Board a report on HB 3897, Senate Bill 2965, House Bill 1691, House Bill 924, House Bill 1646, Senate Bill 2778, House Bill 1998 and Senate Bill 1173. No action was taken.
* The Board next addressed agenda item 15, to review and take action on the election ballot for the 2025 Mongomery County Appraisal District Board of Directors Election. District Counsel Krystine Ramon presented to the Board that as a taxing entity, the District gets fifteen (15) votes for Directors. Krystine Ramon said that the Board may cast votes for one candidate or distribute them among the candidates. Commissioner Smith made a motion second by Commissioner Barnhill to place five (5) votes for Dale Inman, five (5) votes for Misty Perinne and five (5) votes for Frank Smith by resolution for the Mongomery County Appraisal District Board of Directors Election. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed agenda item 16, records management issues. No action was taken.
* The Board did not go into closed session under agenda item 17, to consult with legal counsel pursuant to section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.
* The Board did not go into closed session under agenda item 18, to deliberate real estate matters under section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code.
* The Board did not got into closed session under agenda item 19, to discuss personnel matters under section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.
* The Board next addressed agenda item 20, to review and take action on personnel matters, including policies, scheduling, evaluations, benefits, compensation, hiring, retention and evaluation of District employees, including District Fire Chief and Command Staff. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed agenda item 21, to review and act on scheduling District meeting to be added to meeting agendas. The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 23, 2025. No action was taken.
* There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Davidson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Click to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved 5 to 0. Themeeting was adjournedat 1:04 P.M.