

**TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 17**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 13, 2022**

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The Board of Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District No. 17 held a meeting on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. at the Travis County Emergency Services District No. 17 Headquarters located at 201 East Pecan Street, Pflugerville, Texas, for the following purposes.

Commissioners who attended:

Mike Howe                      Vicky Linsalata                      Mitchell Jones

The following persons were also in attendance:

Victor Gonzalez                      Jessica Frazier                      Brian Fairbanks                      Nick Perkins                      Sequina Allen  
Howard Katz                      AJ Stacer

1. THE MEETING *was called to order by President Howe at 4:00 p.m. and the minutes were recorded by mechanical means.* The meeting was held pursuant to a formal Notice of Meeting, which had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act at the Travis County Clerk’s Office and in the offices of the Travis County Emergency Services District No. 17 Headquarters.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

2. PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment was made.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

3. APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 REGULAR MEETING;
4. APPROVE INVOICE PAYMENT TO TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 FOR PROVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2022 AND NOVEMBER 2022;

*Commissioner Jones moved and Commissioner Linsalata seconded to approve the consent items. The motion passed unanimously.*

**REPORTS**

5. COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS, RESPONSES TO INQUIRIES;. *No reports were given*
6. RECEIVE REPORT FROM TREASURER AND CONSIDER TAKING RELATED ACTION;  
*Ms. Frazier discussed financials from September. Commissioner Linsalata moved and Commissioner Jones seconded to approve the treasurers report. The motion passed unanimously.*
7. RECEIVE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 FIRE CHIEF REGARDING EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES OPERATIONS, RESPONSE TIMES, CALL VOLUME, TRAINING, MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND PERSONNEL

*Chief Perkins shared they might move ambulances and changing staffing hours after analyzing data. The temporary stations are completed. Station 8 now has a completed sprinkler system. He discussed preparing the district for climate change and mitigating water and power issues. He noted the water demand for these facilities is tremendous and noted that the facilities are built to be resilient. All facilities have generators and rainwater collection. The board began to discuss COVID money. Chief Perkins discussed the promotions made this month. Chief Perkins discussed surveillance tools for diseases such as COVID activity and influenza.*

8. RECEIVE MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT'S LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING CONTRACT ISSUES, AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS TO INCLUDE THE CASE OF THE CITY OF PFLUGERVILLE, ET AL. V. TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 17, ET. AL, AND CONSIDER TAKING ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY; *Howard Katz shared there is no update from the ESD 17 litigation counsel and no opinion from the appellate court as of yet. Mr. Katz spoke to his recent discussion with TCESD No. 2' counsel concerning ambulance fee waivers as proposed by TCESD 2 over the past few months. Mr. Katz discussed Medicare and other insurance billing fee waivers and noted that the fee. Waiver is tied with the subsidize of the services and should be thereby in accordance with the federal anti-kick-back rules. He added that TCESD 2 will still need to incorporate the appropriate fee waiver provisions into its fee schedule to be presented to the District when completed.*

President Howe adjourned the meeting at 4:37 p.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2022.

Respectfully Submitted By:  
Sequina Allen  
Board Recorder