

MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #8 BOARD MEETING August 07, 2017

Members Present:

James Kelly, President Leah Gray, Asst. Treasurer George Biernesser, Vice President John Rodriguez, Secretary

Members Absent:

Rodney Otto, Treasurer

Guests Present: Chief Cooke, Chief Koteras, Chief Hudson, Tianna Hawkins, Paula Barr

Call to Order:

The Board meeting was called to order by President James Kelly at 6:30 p.m. at 27900 Robinson Rd.

Presentation of Certificates for Promotions, Recognitions and Appointments

Board President Mr. Kelly & Fire Chief Robert Hudson presented Tianna Hawkins with a five year service award. Chief Sparks and E/O Joseph Hartong were also recognized for five years of service.

Citizen comments (for matters not on the agenda) – this provides an opportunity for citizens to comment on non-agenda items in advance of the regular business of the Board. Comments shall be limited to five minutes per person. Comments by Commissioners in response to such citizen comments shall be limited to:

A. Statements of specific factual information in response to an inquiry;

- B. Statement of existing District policy;
- C. Direction to place an item on a future District Agenda

None

Consider and approve the Minutes from prior meeting(s).

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for the July 17, 2017 meeting. Commissioner George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Consider and approve payment of accounts

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion approve payment of accounts. Commissioner John Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

<u>Discuss and take action on opening an account with Tejas Office Products to purchase office supplies</u>

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion to open an account with Tejas Office Products. Commissioner George Biernesser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

To receive a report from Sales Tax Assurance

Paula Barr with Sales Tax Assurance presented the report to the Board

<u>Discuss and take action on items pertaining to new Station 11-6, Discovery Creek Blvd.</u>, including report from architect, pay applications, change orders, or any other related matters.

None

Discuss and take action on contracting for lawn and landscape care.

Commissioner George Biernesser made a motion to accept the bid for lawn and landscape care. Commissioner John Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Discuss and take action on budget for 2017 – 2018 fiscal year

Commissioner George Biernesser made a motion to accept the budget as amended for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Modifications are as follows: Maintenance Tax Collections reduced to 6,310,000.00 and Sales Tax Revenue increased to 7,200,000.00.

Discuss and take action on the District 2017 Tax Rate, including reviewing appraisal values and tax rate calculations, proposing rate, scheduling public hearings, authorizing newspaper publications and adopting rate.

Commissioner George Biernesser proposed to adopt a tax rate of \$0.10/\$100. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Receive report from the District's Fire Chief

Fire Chief Robert Hudson presented his report to the Board.

Adjourn Open Session

Open session was not adjourned.

Consider agenda items for future meetings

None

Adjournment.

Commissioner George Biernesser made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully Presented By: Jennifer Matas

Approved By: President James Kelly

Secretary John Rodriguez