MONTGOMERY COUNTY
EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #8
PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD MEETING
August 23, 2021

Members Present: President, James Kelly
Leah Gray, Vice President
Misty Perinne, Secretary
Rodney Otto, Treasurer

Members Absent: Justin Hill, Asst. Treasurer

Guests Present: Chief Hudson, Kaye Townley, Lt. Orozco, Chief Adelman

To conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the proposed 2021 ad valorem tax rate increase. Each citizen present may address the Board of Commissioners to express their concerns on the proposed tax increase.

The Public Hearing was called to order by President James Kelly at 5:30 p.m. at 27900 Robinson Rd.

No citizen comments.

Adjournment of the Public Hearing on 2021 ad valorem tax rate increase.

Commissioner Rodney Otto made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST. The Public Hearing adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Call to order the regular meeting of the District.

The Board meeting was called to order by President James Kelly at 5:47 p.m. at 27900 Robinson Rd.

Citizen comments – this provides an opportunity for citizens to comment in advance of the regular business of the Board. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person.
Comments by Commissioners in response to non-agenda items shall be limited to:
A. Statements of specific facts in response to an inquiry.
B. Statement of existing District policy.
C. Direction to place an item on a future District Agenda

No citizen comments.

Consider and adopt 2021-2022 budget for the District.

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion to adopt the 2021-2022 budget for the District. Commissioner Misty Perinne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Consider and adopt the 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations, $0.0999/$100.

Commissioner Rodney Otto made a motion:
I move to adopt the 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations at a rate of $0.0999/$100. Commissioner Misty Perinne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST

Consider and adopt the 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service, $0.0000/$100.

Commissioner Rodney Otto made a motion:
I move to adopt the 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service at a rate of $0.0000/$100. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST

Consider, adopt, and set by Order/Resolution the 2021 Ad Valorem Tax Rate, $0.0999/$100.

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion:
I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $0.0999/$100, which is effectively a 6.73 percent increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Misty Perinne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST

Adjourn Open Session

Open Session adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

To meet in closed session under Government Code section 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074 to consult with legal counsel regarding pending litigation, or settlement offers, or personnel matters, or on other matters requiring confidentiality under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas.

Reconvene in Open Session

Open Session reconvened at 6:06 p.m.

To act on personnel matters.

None.

Consider and approve the Minutes from prior meeting(s)

Commissioner Rodney Otto made a motion to accept the minutes as presented for the August 02, 2021 meeting. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Receive the Treasurer's report

Kaye Townley of Municipal Accounts provided a detailed review of the Bookkeeper's report.

Review and act on any Resolution(s) to designate and authorized Municipal Accounts to execute wire transfers, open and close Certificates of Deposit by telephone/fax/email

None.

Consider and approve payment of accounts

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

Discuss and act on Opticom Preemption lease agreement.

Item postponed to September 07, 2021 meeting.

Discuss and act on the RFP recommendation for IT Services.

Commissioner Rodney Otto made a motion to accept the RFP recommendation for IT services. Commissioner Leah Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Discuss and act on the disassembly and moving of old Sta. 3 (now Sta. 9) to the Sta. 11-3 Training Grounds for eventual reassembly.

Chief Hudson updated the Board on the disassembly and moving of old Sta. 3.

Review and act on clarification of language in Retirement Policy P-060E.

Commissioner Leah Gray made a motion to accept the Retirement Policy P-060E as presented. Commissioner Misty Perinne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Receive report from the Construction Committee on ongoing construction projects

James Kelly updated the Board on Station 11-5.

Consider agenda items for future meetings

N/A

Adjournment

Commissioner Rodney made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Misty Perinne seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of four (4) FOR and zero (0) AGAINST.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Presented By: Jennifer Matas

Approved By: President James Kelly

Secretary, Misty Perinne