

ELLIS COUNTY EMRGGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 6
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DEC 8, 2025

DATE & PLACE: December 8, 2025
Ellis County ESD#6 Fire Station No. 1
1816 FM 66
Waxahachie Texas 75167

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chuck McCormack, President
Bill Howell, Vice-president
Rick Beer, Secretary
Dale Walling, Treasurer
Jason Smithey, Asst Sec / Treas

CHIEFS PRESENT: Interim Chief Justin Tyner, ESD 6
Asst. Chief Bobby McBride, Forrester VFD

Six guests were present.

- I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Certification of a Quorum, and Invocation:** Commissioner McCormack called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and declared a quorum present with all commissioners present. He then stated that proper notifications were legally posted on the district's website and meeting place, Commissioner Howell led the invocation.
- II. Approve the minutes of the November 10th and November 17th recent meetings. (Action required):** Commissioner Walling moved to approve the minutes as written, Commissioner Beer seconded, motion carried unanimously.
- III. Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

IV. Administrative Matters

- A. Grossman Design Build representative(s) will report on the status of the Station 2 project and review the plans to be re-submitted to the City of Waxahachie.** Eric and Brian Grossman reported they were nearing completion of the City's approval process and addressing the City's revisions to the submitted plans and drawings. They reviewed several specifications on the plans, including IT infrastructure at the station.
- B. Receive report from the District's owner's representative, Mottla Architects, on the Station 2 project.** Mr. Anthony Mottla answered questions the commissioners posed regarding his recommendations on station specifications including lighting and IT considerations.
- C. Report on the status of the District's five-year strategic plan by Manning and Associates. (Action may be taken.)** Mr. Tom Manning reported that he is nearing completion of the ESD6 Five Year Plan that includes addressing change, like legislative restrictions on taxation for ESD's, and the effects that recent Texas Forest Service grants will have on the ESD6 budget using a CSWOT approach to planning.

- D. Commissioners to receive a report from the fire chief search committee (Action may be required.)** Commissioner Walling led a discussion on benefit packages he has researched through VFIS, including health and life insurance, employer contributions and pension benefits. Walling said he will post the job opening in January on the TCFP website.
- E. Solicit comments and discussion from the commissioners and chiefs who witnessed the recent demonstration of a Spartan EV, Inc. pumper apparatus (fire engine) at Station 1.** The chiefs and commissioners discussed the benefits of ordering an apparatus as soon as possible before the new, more stringent EPA mandates become effective for next-generation X-15 diesel motors.

V. Financial Matters

- A. Review the financial report from the Treasurer for November 2025. (Action required)** ESD6 Treasurer, Commissioner Walling presented the financial report.
- B. Consider transferring funds to / from the district's bank account to / from its TexPool account. (Action may be required)** Commissioner Walling moved transferred \$100,000.00 from TexPool account to District's checking account, Commissioner McCormack seconded, motion carried unanimously.
- C. Receive and approve payment of the ECESD#6 November 2025 bills. (Action required.)** Commissioner McCormack moved to approve paying the bills as presented, Commissioner Walling seconded, motion passed unanimously.
- D. Consider and discuss the feasibility and availability aspects of ordering two "pumper" fire engines to take advantage of the Texas Forest Service (TFS) grants that have recently been awarded to ESD6 FD and Foriston VFD for \$300,000 each. (Action may be taken.)** Commissioner McCormack asked Chiefs Tyner and McBride to solicit proposals from dealers for the purchase of two pumper / tenders manufactured to the District's specifications.

VI. Operational Matters

- A. Receive Chief Wes Curry's Foriston VFD monthly report regarding operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership. (Some items may require action)** Ass't Chief McBride reported for the month of November 2025, they had 16 runs, of which 4 were EMS assists, 2 grass fires, 1 building fire, 4 motor vehicle accidents w/no injuries, 2 motor vehicle accidents w/injuries, 1 off-road vehicle fire, 1 natural vegetation, and 1 dispatched & cancelled en route
 - Report on the TFS grants that Foriston was awarded, including a skid.**
- B. Receive report from Chief Justin Tyner on ESD#6 VFD and ECESD#6 regarding emergency operations, response times, call volume, training, management activities and membership including the following. (Some items may require action.)** Interim Chief Tyner reported for the month of November 2025, they had 73 calls, of which 50 were Station 1 calls and 23 Station 2 calls. NE=41%, SW=34%, SE=17% and NW=8%. Station 1: 68% and Station 2: 32%.
 - Report on TFS grant regarding type of apparatus required and availability** Chief Tyner addressed the specifications of the pumper / tender apparatus in order to meet the grant specifications.

C. **Set the date and time for the next ECESD#6 regular meeting.** In order to avoid scheduling conflicts, the next regular meeting was set for Tuesday, JAN 13, 2025 at 4:00 PM, ESD6 Station 1.

VII. Comments from Commissioners on future District-related administrative or operational issues. (No action may be taken.) Business items resulting from comments by Commissioners may become agenda items for the next regular meeting of ECESD#6.
There were no comments from commissioners.

VIII. Adjourn

Without objection, Commissioner McCormack adjourned the meeting at 6:13 PM.



Chuck McCormack, President
ECESD #6 Board of Commissioners
JAN 13, 2026