MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BREWSTER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1
OCTOBER 21, 2025

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
   The regular meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.
2. **Establishment of Quorum**
   A quorum was established. Members present: Jeanette Hall, Marcos Paredes, Jim Hines, Christin Orren and Linda Walker via zoom. Others Present: Fire Chief Susan Martin via zoom, TFEMS President Valynda Henington via zoom, and TFEMS Admin Kathy Pothier.
3. **Confirm Posting of Agenda**
   The agenda was posted on October 16, 2025 at 11:55am by Christin Orren.
4. **Pledge of Allegiance**
   The Pledge of Allegiance was recited for the United States of America
5. **Moment of Silence**
   A moment of silence was led by Christin Orren.
6. **Mission Statement**
   The mission statement was read by Christin Orren.
7. **Public Comment**
   Marcos Paredes announced his resignation from the board, effective at the conclusion of this meeting.
8. **Discussion and Action Items:**
   A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2024**
      A motion was made by Jim Hines, seconded by Marcos Paredes to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2025 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
   B. **REPORT FROM TERLINGUA FIRE & EMS, INC.**
      USDA grant payments are not active due to government shut-down.
   C. **FUNDING REQUEST/ALLOCATION**
      A motion was made by Jeanette Hall, seconded by Jim Hines to approve the request for covering 50% of the $71,700 cost of a Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Compressor. The motion passed unanimously.
   D. **CONTRACT FOR SERVICES**
      A motion was made by Jeanette Hall, seconded by Marcos Paredes to send TFEMS a contract for services for their review.
   E. **ZOOM MEETING REQUIREMENTS AND LOCAL POLICY**
      ESD is working on getting cables for the meeting owl. ESD legal council is still reviewing the zoom policy that was adopted in September 2025.
   F. **ORGANIZATIONAL GMAIL ACCOUNTS**
      All members now have Gmail accounts strictly for the purpose of all ESD business. An annual zoom subscription was acquired.
   G. **BANK CARDS FOR ALL COMMISSIONERS**

All commissioners are allowed to acquire a debit card through West Texas National Bank to use for business and training needs. This is optional for all commissioners other than the treasurer.

H. CLOSED MEETING

N/A

I. OPEN MEETING - CLOSED MEETING ITEM(S) FOR THE BOARD CONSIDERATION/ACTION

N/A

9. Treasurer's Report

Jeanette Hall reported that as of September 30, 2025 the ESD had a balance of $617,847.67 in the maintenance and operation fund. LOGIC investment pool has a balance of $533,090.40, the Edward Jones Money Market had a balance of $753,699.67 and TexStar Investment Pool had a balance of $755,530.45. A motion was made by Christin Orren, seconded by Jim Hines to accept the September 2025 Treasurer's report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Jeanette Hall reported that as of August 30, 2025 the Edward Jones Money Market had a balance of $751,885.38. A motion was made by Christin Orren, seconded by Jim Hines to accept the August 2025 Treasurer's report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Set Date and Time for Next Regular Meeting

The date and time for the next regular meeting was set for November 18, 2025 at 4:30pm.

11. Adjournment

Christin Orren adjourned the meeting at 5:11 p.m.

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Jeanette Hall, Secretary