

MILAM COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A Special Meeting of the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners of Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1 was held on Tuesday, September 9th, 2025, 10:00 A.M. at the Milano Civic Center, 120 W Ave E, Milano, TX 76556.

The following Commissioners were present

MIKEL REED
KAIN DODD
REBECCA GERREN
KIMBERLY KNAPEK

The following agenda items were considered, reviewed, discussed, and action may be taken as appropriate:

- 1) A quorum will be established, and the meeting of Milam County ESD #1 will be called to order.
A quorum was established with four board members in attendance. President Kain Dodd called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. ESD attorney Travis Garney was also in attendance.
- 2) Pledge allegiance to the American and Texas Flag.
- 3) Recognition of citizens and citizen comments.
No citizens wished to speak.
- 4) Consider the minutes of previous Milam County ESD No. 1 board meetings. Act on any corrections, changes, or approval of said minutes.
The minutes from the special meeting held on August 12th, 2025 were presented by Commissioner Kain Dodd. Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve presented minutes from August 12th, 2025, seconded by Commissioner Gerren, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 5) Report from a representative of Allegiance Mobile Health on Ground Emergency Medical Services in the District.
Allegiance Representatives Tracie Schuh, Amanda Baum, Dan Gillepsie present. Tracie discussed August call data. The county went level 0 once and level 1 five times. Tracie reported peak times are staying about the same with 1:00p.m. being the highest call volume time. Tracie reported raw data was sent to Commissioner Dodd last week and she would have a complete report at a later date. A thermometer was placed in the supply

room where the medications are kept at the Rockdale EMS station to monitor. There's been an ongoing roof leak in Cameron. The city is aware and is trying to get a new roof. Tracie reported the yard flooding is gone at the Thorndale EMS station. Tracie clarified questions about air medical utilization.

- 6) Report from a representative of PHI on Air Emergency Medical Services in the District. PHI representative Dylan Newsom present. Dylan reported 3 completed flights for the month of August and 41 for 2025. Dylan reported an average scene time of 13 minutes. Dylan also reported they have new fetal heart monitoring equipment and ultrasound.
- 7) Financial and bookkeeping matters, including but not limited to payment of the bills, review of revenues/expenditures, and budget amendments for fiscal year end December 31, 2025, if appropriate. Commissioner Dodd presented the financial report. Commissioner Reed gave Treasure's Report.
- 8) Discuss and take any necessary action to authorize the solicitation of sealed proposals from eligible banking institutions to serve as the depository for Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1 funds, pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code Section 775.072, Texas Local Government Code Chapter 116, and all other applicable Texas laws, including the publication of a public notice to banks and the preparation and distribution of the District's Depository Application. Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the solicitation of sealed proposals from eligible banking institutions to serve as the depository for Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1 funds, pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code Section 775.072, Texas Local Government Code Chapter 116, and all other applicable Texas laws, including the publication of a public notice to banks and the preparation and distribution of the District's Depository Application with amended commencement date in 4th paragraph, seconded by Commissioner Gerren. all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 9) Discuss and take action to accept the proposed Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1 budget for Fiscal Year 2026. This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$121,252.22, which is a 3.5 percent increase from last year. For the 2024 tax year, the median-valued homestead property in Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1 has a taxable value of \$171,326. At a tax rate of \$0.10 per \$100 of taxable value, the property tax bill for this property is \$171.33. For the 2025 tax year, the median-valued homestead property in the District has a taxable value of \$183,130. At the proposed tax rate of \$0.089041 per \$100 of taxable value, the estimated property tax bill for this property is \$163.10. If the District were to adopt a budget funded at the no-new-revenue tax rate of \$0.085822 per \$100 of taxable value, the estimated property tax bill for this property would be \$157.18. This comparison reflects a decrease from the 2024 tax bill, with the proposed 2025 budget lowering the typical tax burden by \$8.23 and the no-new-revenue rate lowering it by \$14.15. This taxpayer impact statement is provided in accordance with the requirements

of House Bill 1522 and is for comparison purposes only; it does not reflect the actual tax bill of any individual property owner.

Commissioner Reed made a motion to accept the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2026 and post to the public, seconded by Commissioner Gerren, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.

- 10) Discuss and take action to accept the proposed total tax rate of \$0.089041 per \$100 of taxable value, consisting of a maintenance and operations rate of \$0.089041 and an interest and sinking rate of \$0.000000, for use in required Truth-in-Taxation notices.
Commissioner Reed made a motion to accept the proposed total tax rate of \$0.089041 per \$100 of taxable value, consisting of a maintenance and operations rate of \$0.089041 and an interest and sinking rate of \$0.000000, for use in required Truth-in-Taxation notices and post to the public, seconded by Commissioner Knappek, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 11) Discuss and take action to schedule the public hearing and meeting for adopting the proposed 2026 budget and 2025 tax rate.
Commissioner Knappek made a motion to schedule the public hearing and meeting for adopting the proposed 2026 budget and 2025 tax rate on September 29th, 2025 at 6:00p.m.at the Milano Civic Center, 120 W Ave E, Milano, TX 76556, seconded by Commissioner Gerren, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 12) Discuss and take action to approve programming deliverables presented by Diverse Studios, with possible action on design, programming, or scheduling matters as necessary.
Commissioner Knappek made a motion to approve programming deliverables presented by Diverse Studios and to proceed with schematic design, seconded by Commissioner Gerren, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 13) Discuss and take action on approving the issuance of a Request for Qualifications for Construction Manager-at-Risk services related to the design and construction of EMS Station No. 1.
Commissioner Reed made a motion to approve the issuance of a Request for Qualifications for Construction Manager-at-Risk services related to the design and construction of EMS Station No. 1 and post to the public, seconded by Commissioner Gerren, all were for, none were opposed, motion carried.
- 14) Discuss and take any necessary action regarding the evaluation, selection, and acquisition of temporary portable EMS station facilities designed and built by Palomar Modular Buildings, including reviewing design options, negotiating terms, and authorizing agreements or related actions necessary to procure such facilities in compliance with Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 775, Texas Local Government Code Chapters 252 and 271, Texas Government Code Chapters 2251, 2254, and 2269, and all other applicable state and federal procurement laws.
Discussion for Milano EMS station. Need to design the building. Have a design with quotes by the next meeting. Discussion only. Tabled. No action was taken.

- 15) Discuss and take any necessary action regarding selecting, negotiating, and acquiring real property within Milam County for the purpose of constructing new EMS stations.
Discussion for Rockdale and Milano EMS stations. The dental office next to the current Rockdale EMS station is still willing to sell the lot. Issues regarding survey and usage of property. Milano VFD wants to sell Property ID #17911 to the district for \$10,000. This property is behind the current MVFD station. Property size is approximately 0.25 acres. Concern if size of lot will work for size of building and requirements for new septic system. Need to find out the cost to clear the lot. The modular building will take 12 weeks to complete once purchased. Discussion only. Tabled. No action was taken.
- 16) Adjourn.
Commissioner Knapek made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Gerren. all were for, none were opposed, meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

The above and foregoing Minutes for Tuesday, September 9th, 2025 have been examined and approved in an Open Meeting of the Milam County Emergency Services District No. 1.

Statement of Approval

Date: 10/07/2025

Vice President, Kimberly Knapek

President, Kain Dodd

Secretary, Rebecca Gerren

Treasurer, Mikel Reed

Assistant Treasurer, Stephen Hanel

Supporting documents may be obtained by Public Information Request.