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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

Time: 3:00 PM

Place: El Paso County Emergency Services District #2 – Board Room

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DUE TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY AND/OR LOCAL DISASTER CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND THE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GUIDANCES, ORDERS AND DECLARATIONS OF DISASTER RELATED THERETO, THE DISTRICT MAY EXERCISE ITS AUTHORITY TO HOLD THE MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE AND/OR TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL OR OTHER REMOTE PROCEDURES BECAUSE OF THE DIFFICULTY AND RISKS OF CONVENING A QUORUM IN ONE LOCATION. THE MEETING MAY BE ACCESSED BY THE PUBLIC VIA WEB:

https://hype.onescreensolutions.com/epcountyesd2

Posted: Friday, January 22, 2021

All matters listed on this agenda may be discussed in executive session at the option of the El Paso County Emergency Services District #2 Commissioners following verbal announcement if an appropriate exception to the open meeting requirement of the Texas Open Meetings Act is applicable.

Call meeting to order.

Meeting was called to order by Chief Esparza at 3:00 P.M

Pledge of Allegiance & Prayer

Establishment of Quorum.

Present: President Adrian Santana, Vice President Michael Diaz, Secretary Jacquelin Butler and Commissioner Mike

Barnes

Not Present: Treasurer Rick Avalos

3. Public comments: must notify the board to speak on certain agenda items. (5 minutes) Public can comment by calling: (915) 213-3008

Pin Code: 422 130 260#
No comments from the public.



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Consent Agenda

4. Discuss and approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 19, 2021.

Motion: Approved.

Motioned by: Vice President Diaz Seconded by: Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Aye: President Santana, Vice President Diaz, Secretary Butler and Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Nay: None

Member not Present: Treasurer Avalos

Regular Agenda

The El Paso County ESD #2 is now entering into a closed meeting, pursuant to the Texas Government code section 551-071: to consult with the District Attorney concerning all matters identified in the agenda. Where board members seek the advice of their attorney as privileged communications. The date is Wednesday, January 27, 2021 and the time is **3:06 PM**.

5. Discussion and action on allowing President Santana and Chief Esparza on hiring a new HR Consultant for ESD #2.

Submitted By: Chief Esparza

Motion: To proceed as deliberated by President Santana.

Motioned by: President Santana Seconded by: Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Aye: President Santana, Vice President Diaz, Secretary Butler and Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Nay: None

Member not Present: Treasurer Avalos

The El Paso County ESD #2 has completed its closed meeting. The date is Wednesday, January 27, 2021 and the time is **3:55 PM**.

6. Discuss and approve the next meeting to take place on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>February</u> <u>16,2021</u> at 6: 00P.M via Web.

Submitted By: Chief Esparza

Motion: Approved.

Motioned by: Vice President Diaz Seconded by: Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Aye: President Santana, Vice President Diaz, Secretary Butler and Commissioner Barnes

Members Voting Nay: None

Member not Present: Treasurer Avalos

7. Adjournment at **3:55 PM**.

The District reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any order. It also reserves the right to enter into a closed meeting on any agenda item as allowed by law. A Citizens Comment Form must be filled with the Secretary at least 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting for an individual to be allowed to speak during the Citizen Comment Form, the individual understands and acknowledges that the public is not entitled to choose the items to be discussed or to speak about items not on the agenda, but that this opportunity is provided as a privilege. The individual executing the Citizen Comment Form understands that he/she is provided a limited amount of time, and that he/he may not be allowed to continue to address the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners if the comments are rude, disparaging or defamatory to any individual or entity, or the comments become disruptive to the good order of the meeting. If at a meeting of a governmental body, a member of the public or of the governmental body inquiries about a subject for which notice has not been given as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, the notice provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act do not apply to a statement of specific factual information given in response to the inquiry; a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry; or, any deliberation of or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting. It should be noted that pursuant to Section 38.13, Texas Penal Code, HINDERING PROCEEDINGS BY DISORDERLY CONDUCT: (a) A person commits an offense if he intentionally hinders an official proceeding by noise or violent or disturbance; (b) A person commits an offense if he intentionally hinders an official proceeding by noise or violent or disturbance and continues after explicit official request to desist; and, (c) An offense under Section 38.15, Texas Penal Code is a Class A misdemeanor.