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CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES July 17, 2019

The Board of Managers of the Cameron County Emergency Communication District (CCECD) met at the Cameron County Emergency Communication (9-1-1) District (CCECD) Building Board Room, located at 501 Camelot Drive, Harlingen, Texas, at 10:00 A.M., for a Meeting of the Board of Managers, on Wednesday, July 17, 2019.

Present:

Board Members: Mario Prado (President), Bill Aston (Vice-President), Domingo Diaz,

Sam Ortega, Henry Etheridge, and Gabriel Moreno

Board Members Absent:

Directors: S. Barajas, and J. Davila

Corporate Counsel: B. Janis

Others: A. Garrido (CCECD), and Dianna Conner (Brian Janis Secretary).

However, pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, codified as Tex. Gov't Code Ann. §§ 551.002 (Open Meetings Requirements) (Vernon 2017) ("Every regular, special, or called meeting of a governmental body shall be open to the public, except as provided by this chapter".)

- Call to order (& Pledge of Allegiance)
 Call to order by Mr. Prado at 10:00 A.M. to open the meeting, to confirm the existence of a voting quorum (of five), and to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Thereafter, the Board went to Item 2.
- "Swearing-in of (appointed) CCECD Member Henry Etheridge, City of Brownsville, (Most Populous City), pursuant to Texas Constitution, Art. XVI, (Vernon Supp. 2016) Official Oath administered by Alma Linda Chavez, a notary of the State of Texas. No action necessary.
- Item 3. Approval of June 12, 2019 regular Board Meeting Minutes (as written). Motion made by Mr. Aston to approve the said Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

- Item 4. Approval of Bills (& Cash Flow)

 Motion made by Mr. Ortega to approve the said bills (& cash flow). Seconded by Mr. Prado. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 5. Approval of Budget Amendment as presented by Silbia Barajas, Executive Director of CCECD to amend the budget for increased satellite phone. A transfer decreasing \$2,000 from the building expense budget and increasing the "Communications ~ GlobalStar Satellite" budget by the same amount. Motion made by Mr. Aston to approve said budget amendment. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 6. Financial Report (& Banking Report)

 Motion made by Mr. Prado to approve the financial report as presented.

 Seconded by Mr. Ortega. The motion carried unanimously. (The amounts of these reports were presented at the CCECD Board Meeting as with previous meetings.)
- Item 7. Director's Report

 Motion made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge and approve the said Director's
 Report as presented by Mrs. Barajas, which included the director's meeting held
 on July 3rd and the discussion to terminate the Sprint Wireless Agreement by all
 districts, also the Building Report as presented by Mr. Davila, the GIS Report as
 presented by Mr. Garrido, and the Public Education/Training Report was
 presented in written form to the board since Mr. Garcia was not in attendance.
 Seconded by Mr. Ortega. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 8. AT&T Report

 Motion made by Mr. Prado to acknowledge and approve the said report. AT&T acknowledged that the AT&T techs had received PSAP training at CCECD as it is related to the work that they do. Mr. Moreno thanked Joe Garcia and Alfonso Garrido for their assistance in this training. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 9. Board Committee Report
 Mr. Aston commented that the GIS maps were well equipped with mile marker signs and thanked the CCECD staff. No additional comments nor discussions by the board. A motion was made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge and approve the foregoing Board Committee Report. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 10. Legal Counsel's Report

 At the said meeting, it was indicated by Legal Counsel, that CCECD is incompliance with all rules of law as set forth by Chapter 772 of the Texas Health & Safety Code Ann. § 772.301, (Vernon 2017) (Chapter 772 Local Administration

of Emergency Communications). If there are any questions or problems, those should be sent forward to legal counsel to address those inquiries. Dispatchers will be reclassified as 1st Responders as of September 1st. Also being reviewed is the wireless fee of .50 cents does not cover the cost of equipment and upgrades. Motion made by Mr. Prado to acknowledge the said report. Seconded by Mr. Ortega. The motion carried unanimously.

- Item 11. Consideration and Approval of CCECD Directors to attend the APCO conference in Baltimore, MD on August 11-14, 2019. A motion was made by Mr. Prado to acknowledge and approve the foregoing attendance request as requested. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 12. Adjournment At 10:30 A.M., a motion was made by Mr. Prado to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Aston. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved this 214 day of August, 2019.

Approved: Mario M. Prado, President of the Board of Managers

Approved:

Gabriel Moreno, Secretary of the Board of Managers

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