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CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING MINUTES October 16, 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, October 16, 2019.

Present:

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

and Gabriel Moreno

Board Members Absent: Sam Ortega and Henry Etheridge

Directors: S. Barajas, and J. Davila

Corporate Counsel: Juan M. Pequeno, Jr.

Others: A. Garrido (CCECD), and J. Garcia (CCECD)

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".)

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- Item 1. Call to order (& Pledge of Allegiance)
 Call to order by Mr. Prado at 10:00 A.M. to open the meeting, confirm the existence of a voting quorum (of four), recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
 Thereafter, the Board went to Item 2.
- Item 2. Consideration and Approval of General Counsel for CCECD District. As recommended by the Texas Alliance District's Attorneys At Law and Mrs. Barajas, an overview of the meeting/interview with Mr. Juan M. Pequeno, Jr, the firm's knowledge of the CCECD District, well versed with the 911 laws and statues regulations, Mrs. Barajas asked the board for their consideration. Motion made by Mr. Aston to approve legal counsel. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 3. Approval of September 18, 2019 Public Hearing Minutes and September 18,

2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes (as written). Motion made by Mr. Diaz to approve Public Hearing Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Aston. A second motion made by Mr. Prado to approve the said Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motions carried unanimously for both items.

Item 4. Approval of Bills (& Cash Flow)

Mrs. Barajas presented the October 2019 Expense Report pertaining to regular monthly bills, after discussion by Board. Motion made by Mr. Aston to approve the said bills (& cash flow). Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Approval of Budget Amendment – No Amendments at this time.

Motion made by Mr. Aston to table the Budget Amendments. Seconded by Mr. Prado. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Financial Report (& Banking Report)

Ms. Barajas provided an update on financial reports and informed the Board that payment was issued for equipment (laptops) and 5 year maintenance contract as directed to avoid over \$250K in interest. Next years budget will focus on 911 texting and location accuracy. Motion made by Mr. Prado to approve the financial report as presented. Seconded by Mr. Aston. 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. Prado to acknowledge and approve the said Director's Report as presented by Mrs. Barajas, which included no major system problems reported by PSAPs, some circuit issues, the Director's Meeting included Commissioner's Annual Survey that focuses on 911 fee diversions and that 911 collections go to their intended purpose which is mainly for servicing, operating, and improving a 911 network. Final 1 year Sprint Wireless contract is forthcoming to the district for signature. AT&T was in Austin requesting legislators to draft a bill indicating that wireless fee funds are set at a local level. Attended the mandated House Bill 3834 DIR Cyber Security Training (required by June 2020) and House Bill 2840 Public Comments and Open Meetings at TML Conference in San Antonio. Also the Building Report as presented by Mr. Davila, the GIS Report as presented by Mr. Garrido, and the Public Education/Training Report as presented by Mr. Garcia. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 8. AT&T Report

Motion made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge and approve the said report. AT&T (Gabriel Moreno) update included circuit monitoring of PSAPS working for the

last 30 days, circuit issues and the monitoring services reports will be issued to the supervisors. As part of the monitoring system identified a T1 line in Los Fresnos was not operational for 2 weeks, tickets were generated, and have been repaired. It's part of benefits and changes of the monitoring system which was not previously available. Pictometry installation in all active PSAPS and laptops has been completed, with the exception of the laptop at South Padre Island and the remaining equipment at Camelot (not an active site). One technician is available and is scheduled to perform. Pending the installation of wiring for assigned laptops at Harlingen and Cameron County Sheriff's Office locations, once addresses are provided. Seconded by Mr. Prado. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Board Committee Report

Ms. Barajas requested House Bill 2840 Public Comments be added to the next agenda. After general counsel advisement, the board, approved to list public comments at the beginning of the agenda with a limit of 3 minutes per person (double the time if interpretation is required). Mrs. Barajas requested changes to the policy manual regarding the holiday schedule. The Board asked legal counsel to review the policy manual with respect the change in language and allow CCECD to create its own dedicated holiday schedule. The Board requested to place this item on the next month's agenda for action. Mr. Aston welcomed legal counsel to CCECD and requested the review of policy of expenditures for 911 services. Praised CCECD for abiding to State and Federal Laws and the distribution compliance of individual information sent to each Board Member to avoid/limit the discussion by members outside the boardroom. No additional comments nor discussions by the board. A motion was made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge and approve the foregoing Board Committee Report regarding HB 2840 Public Comments. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. A second motion was made by Mr. Diaz to table the holiday schedule once policy is reviewed and updated as discussed. Seconded by Mr. Aston. The motions carried unanimously on both items.

Item 10. Consideration and Approval of 2020 Operations Budget and 2020 Capital Budget. Ms. Barajas and Mr. Davila presented the operations budget and capital budget and forthcoming changes and expectations in services for CCECD 911. After discussion and review of said report, a motion was made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge and approve the Fiscal 2020 Operational Budge which will commence in January 1, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. A second motion was made by Mr. Diaz to approve the 2020 Capital Budget as presented and review of said report which will commence in January 1, 2020. Seconded by Mr. Prado. The motions carried unanimously on both items.

Item 11.	Adjournment At 11:26 A.M., a motion was made by Mr. Aston to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
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Approved this	20th day of November, 2019.
Approved:	Mario M. Prado, President of the Board of Managers
Approved:	Bill Aston, Vice-President of the Board of Managers