

- Item 3. Public Comment.
Mario Prado, Board President opened public comment on any agenda item to anyone attending the meeting by telephone conference call. After a brief time and with no attendees and no comments made and confirmation was made that there were no other attendees on the telephone conference call, Mr. Prado closed public comment section. Motion made by Mr. Prado to close public comment. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 4. Approval of October 21, 2020 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Pequeno emphasized a correction to the October 21st regular board meeting minutes as follows; "Executive session held pertained solely to 'Item 13 (Changes to the Interlocal Agreements for CodeRed)', so therefore, should be removed from Item 12 ('Approval of Capital Budget and Operations Budget for 2021') prior to signature of minutes. Revised minutes and approval obtained from Mr. Pequeno prior to obtaining signature from Mr. Prado, President, and document to be forwarded to Gabriel Moreno, Secretary, for the same purpose. Motion made by Mr. Aston to approve the said Regular Board Meeting Minutes as indicated by Mr. Pequeno. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motions carried unanimously.
- Item 5. Approval of Bills (& Cash Flow)
Mrs. Barajas presented the November 2020 Expense Report pertaining to regular monthly bills, after discussion by Board. Motion made by Mr. Prado to approve the said bills (& cash flow). Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.
- Item 6. Financial Report (& Banking Report)
Ms. Barajas provided an update on financial banking and investment reports. Motion made by Mr. Diaz to acknowledge the financial report as presented. Seconded by Mr. Prado. 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, attended on November 4th the Texas Alliance Director's Meeting by Zoom conference, which included discussion on Covid-19, districts are in shut down mode, and some staff continue to work from home. The wireless bills were sent to the legislature and awaiting if they will be introduced to legislators. In 2021, staff will meet with local Congressmen regarding the wireless bills. Eddie Lucio is moving his office to Harlingen and will be convenient to meet as necessary. Mike Tomsu, Texas Alliance attorney stated it appears that the letter to Sprint understands that the wireless recovery fees will no longer be paid. The district received a final invoice for wireless recovery and

it has been paid. CodeRED agreements have been signed and received from all entities with the exception of Harlingen. District has received bids for the sound improvement to the Boardroom. AT&T has also submitted a quote for 'Text to 9-1-1'. Lower Rio Grande Development Council member, Chief of Police Vela, requested assistance from Ms. Barajas and Mr. Davila regarding budgets, expenditure of funds, method funds are received from telephone companies, and guidelines & restrictions of district operations. The counties of Hidalgo and Willacy must vote on becoming a district. Safety measures (disinfecting) continue in our building. This concludes the Director's Report. Also the Building Report as presented by Mr. Davila, the GIS Report was presented by Alfonso Garrido (GIS Department), and the Public Education/Training Report was presented by Jose Garcia. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 8. AT&T Report

Mr. Moreno mentioned that there were no issues to report and would answer questions, if any, from the board. Since there were no questions, a motion was made by Mr. Aston to acknowledge the report. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 9. Board Committee Report

No report nor items discussed by members of the board. Mr. Prado made a motion to table this item. Seconded by Mr. Diaz. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Legal Counsel Report

Mr. Pequeno stated that the board meetings are being held in accordance with the disaster declaration, where the governor update did relax, extend, and allow the use of telephone conferencing in substitute of in-person meeting. That will remain in effect until further notice. Mr. Pequeno will keep the Board abreast of any changes for next month's meeting. Mr. Pequeno informed Board that Harlingen's interlocal agreement for CodeRED was pending. He will reach out to legal counsel at the City of Harlingen. A motion and acknowledgment of the legal counsel's report was made by Mr. Aston. Seconded by Mr. Prado. The motion carried unanimously.

Item 11. Consideration and Approval of Capital Budget and Operations Budget for 2021..

After some discussion, it was agreed that there should be an increase to the salary beyond what was proposed for the position of Staff Service Officer in the current Capital and Operations Budget. A suggestion was made that that position receive a 12% increase instead of the 9% being applied to all other staff members, due to the increased responsibilities of that position. After some deliberation, a motion was made by Mr. Prado to approve the Operations and Capital Budget with the amendment that the salary for the Staff Service Officer be increased to 12% instead of 9% that was being proposed for all other staff

positions for 2021. The motion to approve the amended Capital Budget and Operations Budget was Seconded by Mr. Aston. During the motion Mr. Etheridge exercised his right to abstain from voting. The motion carried by majority vote.

Item 12. Closed Meeting for Discussion of Any Item on the Agenda as may be permitted by Subchapter D of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Item was tabled since there were items to be discussed that needed an executive session. No motion necessary.

Item 13. Adjournment
At 11:00 A.M., a motion was made by Mr. Prado to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Aston. The motion carried unanimously.

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Approved this 16th day of December, 2020.

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

Approved: 
Gabriel Moreno, Secretary of the Board of Managers

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