

Minutes of Travis County Emergency Services District #3 September 24, 2007

Board President Bob Taylor called the Travis County Emergency Services District #3 (TCESD 3) Board of Commissioners' regular meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. A quorum was established. Attending were Commissioners David Luther, Bob Taylor, John Villanacci, and Rick Coneway.

Fire department personnel present at the meeting included: Fire Chief Warren; Assistant Fire Chiefs Elliot and Wittig; Fire Marshal Lacey; District Chiefs Deming & Plumlee; Business Mgr. Miller; Lieutenant Cozby; and PIO Warren.

Visitors included: Brad Beauchamp of the Travis County Fire Marshal's office; Robert Ferguson Of Travis County Mud District #4; Brooke Bulon of Home Builders Association; Matt Moore of Stratus Properties; and Adam Pace of Cavalcade Custom Homes

Attached to and incorporated into these Minutes is a copy of the official Agenda for the September 24, 2007 meeting.

Under Agenda Item 11: Fire Marshal Mike Lacey provided a presentation and video regarding the benefits of residential sprinklers. After the presentation, FM Lacey answered several general questions regarding the installation, cost, and use of residential sprinklers. Several visitors addressed the board with their concerns regarding cost of permits, wait time on permits, cost of installing the sprinklers, and relative benefits. Each speaker said their entity would appreciate having some input on the proposal to require residential sprinklers in new construction. The speakers were: Robert Ferguson, Brooke Bulon, Matt Moore, and Adam Pace.

Commissioner Villanacci moved to table the approval of the sprinkler amendment to the Fire Code until the next board meeting on October 22, 2007. This section of the Code would go into force five months after October 22, 2007. Commissioner Luther seconded the motion adding that the Fire Chief is charged with arranging meetings between interested parties. The motion carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 3: President Taylor called the Public Hearing to order at 8:02 p.m. There were no questions or comments regarding the subject matter. President Taylor closed the Public Hearing at 8:06 p.m.

Under Agenda Item 4: President Taylor reconvened the general meeting at 8:07 p.m. Commissioner Coneway moved to adopt the resolution to have Goods in Transit remain subject to taxation by Travis County ESD No.3 as provided by Section 11.253, Texas Tax Code. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Luther and carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 5: Commissioner Luther moved to adopt the tax rate for the 2007 tax year at 7.17 cents per \$100 valuation for Maintenance and Operations and 2.83 cents per \$100 valuation for the Interest and Sinking Fund. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Coneway and carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 6: Commissioner Villanacci moved to approve the minutes of the August 27th, September 4th, and September 14th meetings and/or hearings with Commissioner Coneway seconding. The motion carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 7: Commissioner Villanacci moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Luther seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 8: Commissioner Coneway moved to approve the revised contract letter from Blakeslee, Monzingo & Co. for the completion of the 2007FY audit. Commissioner Villanacci seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 9: Commissioner Villanacci moved to approve the amendments to the 2008FY budget with Commissioner Luther seconding. The motion carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 10: Commissioner Villanacci moved to approve the amendments to the 2007FY budget. Commissioner Coneway seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Under Agenda Item 12: Tabled.

Under Agenda Item 13: Fire Chief Warren presented the ESD3 Summary Report.

Under Agenda Item 14: Assistant Chief Wittig stated there was one bidder only for the site work at Mackey Field. The project will be bid again, as per law. Ken Campbell has revised the Tower construction documents.

Under Agenda Item 15 & 16 & 17: There was no executive session; all visitors spoke at the beginning of the meeting.

Under Agenda Item 18: President Taylor announced that the "Committee of Presidents" would meet again in early November.

Under Agenda Item 19: October 22, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. was announced as the next regular meeting date of the board of commissioners.

Under Agenda Item 20: There being no further business, Commissioner Coneway moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. with Commissioner Villanacci seconding. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Coneway, Secretary
Board of Commissioners
(Minutes taken by Madeline Miller)

Approved by Board of Commissioners: October 22, 2007

Representative Commissioner: _____ (Signature)

(Printed Name) _____

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District No.3 will hold a PUBLIC HEARING and regular board meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 24, 2007 in the Community Room of Travis County ESD3 Station 2, located at 4111 Barton Creek Boulevard, Austin, Travis County, Texas. The subject of and matters to be considered at said meeting would include, among other business, the following:

1. Call to Order.
2. Roll Call and Establish Quorum.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING:**
Address comments regarding the proposed resolution to have "Goods-in-Transit" remain subject to taxation by Travis County ESD No.3 as provided by Section 11.253, Texas Tax Code.
4. Review, discuss, and take appropriate action on the taxing of "goods-in-transit" as per HB 621.
5. Vote to adopt the tax rate for the 2007-2008 year.
6. Review and approve minutes of the August 27th, September 4th, and September 14th meetings and/or hearings.
7. Treasurer's Report.
8. Review and approve the new contract letter to engage Blakeslee, Monzingo & Co for the 2007 FY audit.
9. Consider and take appropriate action on amendments to the 2008 FY budget.
10. Consider and take appropriate action on amendments to the 2007 FY budget.
11. Receive update from District Fire Marshall Lacey regarding an implementation plan and the staff resources required to manage enforcement of the proposed amendment to the District's Fire Code to require installation of domestic water-based sprinklers for fire suppression for all new residential construction. Consider approval of an amendment to the District's Fire Code to incorporate the requirement for domestic water-based sprinklers in all new residential construction.
12. Consider and take appropriate action regarding an automatic aid agreement with Travis County ESD #6 (Hudson Bend).
13. Fire Chief's ESD Summary Report.
14. Mackey Field Project update.
15. Executive Session to discuss matters concerning pending or contemplated litigation, real property, or personnel, as authorized pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071, et seq.
16. Consider and take appropriate action on matters discussed in Executive Session.
17. Visitor or other Oak Hill Fire Department communications.
18. General announcements.
19. Announcement of future meeting dates of the Board of Emergency Service District #3 Commissioners.
20. Adjournment.

By: _____ Madeline Miller, Business Manager

NOTE: The Board of Commissioners reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), and 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices).

Travis County Emergency Services District Number 3 is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Reasonable modification and equal access to communications will be provided upon request. Please call the District Administrative Office at 288-5534 for information. Hearing impaired or speech disabled persons equipped with telecommunication devices for the deaf may call the statewide Relay Program at 1-800-735-2988 or by dialing '711'.

Visitor Communications are regular agenda items at monthly meetings of the Board of Commissioners of Travis County Emergency Services District Number 3. Visitors who wish to speak under Visitor's Communications must sign up before the meeting is called to order. Each person, organization or group wishing to address the Board will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes. Speakers may register in person at the posted location of the meeting, starting 30 minutes prior to the start of the meeting and using the form provided. The speaker will give his/her name, address, organizational affiliation, if any, and indicate the subject he/she intends to address. The Board welcomes citizen comment on any issue, but the Open Meetings Act prohibits any board action on issues not posted on the agenda.

The undersigned affirms and states that he/she posted or caused to be posted a true and correct copy of the foregoing notice at a place convenient to the public at the Travis County ESD3 Administrative Office, 4111 Barton Creek Boulevard, Travis County, Texas, a location within said Travis County Emergency Services District Number 3 at _____ . M. on September 20, 2007. _____ Megan Lundquist, Office Manager