



MINUTES

COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION

ROCKWALL HISTORIC COURTHOUSE 101 EAST RUSK ROCKWALL, TEXAS 75087 972-882-2840

Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 26, 2014 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Debby Bobbitt (Rowlett)
Barry Brooks (Heath)
Lorie Grinnan (Rck. County)
Steve Hatfield (McLendon Chisholm)
Dennis Lewis (Rockwall)
Janet Nichol (Royse City)
Cliff Sevier (Rck. County)
David Sweet (Rockwall)

Board Members Absent:

Dana Lawson (Mobile City)
Bill Broderick

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

1. Call to order

Lorie Grinnan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Discuss / act on approval of the minutes from the January 22, 2014 ES Corporation Board Meeting

Barry Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Debby Bobbitt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (2 absent).

3. Discuss / act on ES Corporation Treasurer's Report

Steve Hatfield made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. David Sweet seconded the motion, which passed unanimously of those present (2 absent).

4. Discuss / act on Emergency Management Program report

Joe DeLane of Rockwall County Emergency Management reported that a full-scale, mock training exercise was just held and came to completion this afternoon. He reported that, overall, it went well but that communication is always an issue. He indicated that he and his staff will begin writing an After Action Report about the training exercise tomorrow afternoon. Discussion took place regarding UHF and VHF radio system differences. Mr. DeLane reported that Rockwall County Emergency Management and CERT (Community Emergency Response

50 Team) recently assisted with a six to seven hour long boy scout training. No action was taken
51 related to this agenda item.

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54 5. Adjournment

55 The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

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57 **AMBULANCE SERVICES BOARD MEETING**

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60 **Board Members Present:**

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62 **Barry Brooks (Heath)**
63 **Lorie Grinnan (Rck. County)**
64 **Steve Hatfield (McLendon Chisholm)**
65 **Dennis Lewis (Rockwall)**
66 **Janet Nichol (Royse City)**
67 **Cliff Sevier (Rck. County)**
68 **David Sweet (Rockwall)**

60 **Board Members Absent:**

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62 **Dana Lawson (Mobile City)**
63 **Bill Broderick**

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71 1. Call to order

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73 **Lorie Grinnan called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.**

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75 2. Discuss / act on reports from Medic Rescue regarding EMS contract compliance and all
76 related issues

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78 **Mitch Ownby of Rockwall County EMS briefed the board on his monthly reports, indicating**
79 **billings and collections were positive. He stated that call volumes continue to gradually**
80 **increase. The board took no formal action related to this agenda item.**

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82 3. Discuss / act on update regarding EMS contract review, including improvement of response
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85 **Grinnan provided an update regarding the technical subcommittee's ongoing contract review,**
86 **including, in part, improving response times. Steve Athey, EMS consultant to the board,**
87 **indicated that now is a good time to review the contract to see if anything in the system design**
88 **needs to be modified to even out and improve response times. Brief discussion took place**
89 **regarding how response time requirements in the contract may be tweaked. Mr. Athey**
90 **indicated that he met with the EMS company today to begin these discussions. General**
91 **discussion ensued regarding what ambulances are doing in their down time, in between calls**
92 **such as private transport of patients. Board Member Steve Hatfield suggested that the county**
93 **may need to be divided up in geographical areas in order to provide better service overall.**
94 **Rockwall Fire Chief, Mark Poindexter, indicated that GIS staff at the City of Rockwall recently**
95 **begun plugging in speed limits along roadways into the GIS mapping system in order to begin**
96 **assisting the fire department with response time projections. Mr. Athey provided a brief**
97 **update regarding the current, nationwide problems associated with Medicare non-payments.**
98 **He stated that four years is now the average waiting time for an ambulance provider to hear**
99 **back regarding an appeal submitted for non-payment on a Medicare bill because it has to be**
100 **seen / heard by an administrative law judge. Lorie Grinnan indicated that she will arrange for**
the technical subcommittee to meet again at least one week prior to the March board meeting

102 in order to further discuss the contract review. The board took no action related to this
103 agenda item.

104 4. Discuss / act on subsidy request letter for year nine of the EMS contract between Medic
106 Rescue and the ES Corporation (for the period of September 30, 2015 to October 1, 2016)

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108 Lorie Grinnan suggested that this item be tabled. Barry Brooks made a motion to table this
109 agenda item. David Sweet seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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111 5. Adjournment

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113 The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

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116 PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COUNTY OF
117 ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION on this the 26th day of March, 2014.

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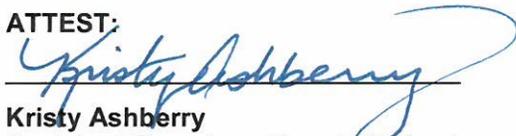
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Lorie Grinnan
President, Board of Directors
County of Rockwall ESC

ATTEST:



Kristy Ashberry
Assistant Secretary, Board of Directors
County of Rockwall ESC

