



MINUTES

COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION

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

**Make up of Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 4, 2007 5:00 p.m.**

Board Members Present:

Dennis Alsup
Bruce Beaty
Chris Florance
Steve Hatfield
Robert Hille
Stephen Straughan

Board Members Absent:

Bill Cecil
Wanda Cooper
David Hill
Jim Mellody

General Board Meeting

1. Call to order

Bruce Beaty called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

2. Discuss and consider approval of the minutes from the February 28, 2007 regular ESC Board Meeting and take any action necessary.

* Alsup made a motion to approve the minutes.

** Hille seconded the motion.

*** The motion passed unanimously.

3. Hear update regarding the Rockwall Regional Firearms Training Facility and take any action necessary.

Lieutenant Carl Alsabrook, Rockwall Police Department, briefed the board on the construction progress of the facility. No action taken.

4. Discuss and consider approval of invoices for payment and take any action necessary.

- * Straughan made a motion to approve all invoices as presented.
- ** Hille seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

5. Hear treasurer's report / update from Bill Sinclair and take any action necessary.

Sinclair was not present. Beaty gave a brief treasurer update. No action taken.

6. Review and hear report on annual audit of the ES Corporation for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2006 and take any action necessary

Mr. Conway from Conway CPAs briefly reviewed portions of the audit report and presented the report to the board.

- * Hille made a motion to accept the audit report.
- ** Alsup seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider approval of a contract between the County of Rockwall Emergency Services Corporation and Rockwall County for emergency management services and take any action necessary.

Beaty explained that there are some issues with the contract that the board approved at its last meeting. The County is working to resolve these issues, but the County Sheriff's Department was given permission to go ahead and post the job openings and begin preparing for the interview process.

8. Discuss and consider adoption of a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2007 Emergency Management Program budget and take any action necessary.

Kristy Ashberry, City of Rockwall Emergency Management Coordinator, indicated that the budget needs to be amended downward due to having not hired the budgeted positions yet. The positions were approved, budgeted and could have been filled October 1, 2006; however, no one has been hired yet due to the time associated with working out a contract, finding adequate office space, and other issues. Therefore, the budget needs to be amended downward to reflect an assumption that the positions will be filled in April or May.

- * Hatfield made a motion to approve the resolution amending the budget.
- ** Straughan seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

9. Discuss and consider appointing a hiring committee to assist in making recommendations to the County regarding hiring of the Emergency Management Coordinator and take any action necessary.

Ashberry indicated that the board may choose to appoint a hiring committee to serve on an interview panel and make recommendations to the Sheriff's Department as to the best candidate to hire for the Emergency Management Coordinator position.

The board appointed the following individuals to serve on the hiring committee:

Lieutenant David Davis, Rockwall County Sherriff's Department

Judge Chris Florance, Rockwall County
Dave Butler, McClendon Chisholm City Administrator
Kristy Ashberry, City of Rockwall

10. Discuss and consider approval of a contract between the County of Rockwall and the County of Rockwall Emergency Services Corporation for the provision of ambulance services in fiscal year 2007 and take any action necessary.

Julie Couch, Rockwall City Manager, briefly explained the contract, which was submitted by Rockwall County to the board for consideration.

- * Straughan made a motion to approve the contract.
- ** Hille seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

11. Discuss and consider approval of a contract between the County of Rockwall and the County of Rockwall Emergency Services Corporation for the provision of other programmed emergency medical services and for the County's portion of the operating costs of the corporation in fiscal year 2007 and take any action necessary.

Couch briefly explained the contract, which was submitted by Rockwall County to the board for consideration.

- * Straughan made a motion to approve the contract.
- ** Hille seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

12. Adjournment

- * Alsop made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m.
- ** Hatfield seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

Special Services Board Meeting

1. Call to order

Beaty called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

2. Hear update on status of subcommittee review of EMS response times and take any action necessary.

Beaty briefed the board on two subcommittee meetings that had taken place since the last board meeting and indicated that the various dispatch centers, including Rockwall County Sheriff's Department, Rockwall Police Department and Rockwall County EMS, had met and visited each others' dispatch centers to observe their operations.

Beaty indicated that the subcommittee has recommended that a secondary PSAP center be evaluated as well as a 'remote print option,' including associated costs. The subcommittee is to look at these two options, evaluate the advantages/disadvantages, price them out, and make a recommendation back to the ES board.

3. Hear update from Medic Rescue regarding contract compliance, audit and reports and take any action necessary.

Ownby gave a brief overview of the reports provided.

Julie Couch, Rockwall City Manager, reminded the board that the existing EMS contract between Medic Rescue (Rockwall County EMS) and the ES board expires in August. She suggested that the board consider appointing a subcommittee to review and evaluate the current contract to recommend any necessary modifications.

Steve Athey, consultant from Healthcare Visions, urged the board to start early on the new contract. A past report that Athey submitted to the board contained several recommendations on revising the contract. He too recommended appointing a subcommittee to review the existing contract and negotiate a new contract.

The EMS contract review subcommittee will consist of the following:

- Ricky Bell, Royse City Fire Chief
- Mark Poindexter, Rockwall Fire Chief
- Terry Garrett, Heath Public Safety Chief
- Steve Hatfield, ESC board member & McClendon Chisholm city council member
- Steve Athey, consultant with Healthcare Visions

4. Discuss and consider request by the Treasurer of the Emergency Services Corporation to solicit financial parameters related to accounts receivable and to solicit a contract compliance report from Thomas O’Bailey & Associates as part of Medic Rescue’s annual audit report and take any action necessary.

Beaty indicated that Bill Sinclair, treasurer of the ES Corporation, would like to look at aging on Medic Rescue’s financials. Beaty requested that he, Sinclair, Judge Florance & Steve Athey meet to discuss Medic Rescue’s financial issues.

5. Adjournment

- * Straughan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m.
- ** Hille seconded the motion.
- *** The motion passed unanimously.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 25th day of April, 2007.

ATTEST _____

 Stephen Straughan
 Secretary, Board of Directors
 County of Rockwall ESC



 Bruce Beaty
 President, Board of Directors
 County of Rockwall ESC