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## MINUTES

### **COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION**

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

#### **Make up of Special Board Meeting**

**Wednesday, October 24, 2007 5:00 p.m.**

*\*\*\* This meeting was held at the Rockwall County Government Center Building on Ridge Rd.\*\*\**

#### **Board Members Present:**

Bruce Beaty  
Bill Cecil  
Chris Florance  
Steve Hatfield  
David Hill  
Jim Mellody  
Cindy Rushing  
Stephen Straughan

#### **Board Members Absent:**

Wanda Cooper  
Robert Hille

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#### **General Board Meeting**

1. Call to order

**Bruce Beaty called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.**

**Board member Bill Cecil presented a service appreciation plaque to Bruce Beaty in recognition of his years of service on the Emergency Services Corporation board.**

2. Discuss and consider selection of board officers and take any necessary action.

**Beaty chose volunteers to serve on a nominating committee. Chris Florance, Bill Cecil, and David Hill will make up the committee. Nominations and selection of new board officers will take place at the next regular board meeting.**

3. Discuss and consider approval of the minutes from the August 22, 2007 Regular ESC board meeting and take any action necessary.

**\* Mellody made a motion to approve the minutes.**

**\*\* Hill seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

4. Hear update regarding selection and appointment of legal counsel to represent the ESC board and take any action necessary.

Mellody provided the board with an update on this item. Brian Williams from the county district attorney's office selected and set up interviews for the board's subcommittee to meet with and interview a few potential law firms. The subcommittee is recommending the selection of Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Joplin out of McKinney, TX. The firm will charge an hourly rate of \$190 per hour. The law firm has several lawyers with a wide range of experience and expertise. The firm has experience with local government corporations.

\* Mellody made a motion to approve the appointment of Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Joplin out of McKinney, TX to serve as the board's legal counsel.

\*\* Straughan seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

5. Hear update regarding the Rockwall Regional Firearms Training Center including landscape plans and other miscellaneous closeout items and take any action necessary.

Rockwall Police Chief, Mark Moeller, provided the board with an update on the status for the training center. The only outstanding items include landscaping and miscellaneous items such as chairs, stools, lamps, shelving, coffee pot, microwave, etc. A very rough estimate on landscaping came in at just over \$10,000, but this will be evaluated further. It could be a little more than this or a little less. They will look into drought resistant bushes and grass as well as some gravel areas.

\* Cecil made a motion to approve the purchase of the miscellaneous furniture and fixture items that were presented, not to include the coffee pot and not to exceed \$20,000.00 of the bond contingency funds.

\*\* Mellody seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

6. Discuss and consider approval of invoices for payment and change orders and take any action necessary.

\* Cecil made a motion to approve the following invoices:

- Brinkley Sargeant Architects in the amount of \$1686.16
- Brinkley Sargeant Architects in the amount of \$ 1626.20
- City of Rockwall for reimbursement of Innovative Signs invoice for \$ 1857.60
- City of Rockwall for reimbursement of Complete Security Service invoice for \$ 105.00
- City of Rockwall for reimbursement of Sunnyvale Fence & Ironworks invoice for \$ 3985.00
- Modern Contractors in the amount of \$104,375.84.
- Gifts & Awards by LSJ in the amount of \$ 76.83

\*\* Straughan seconded the motion

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

7. Discuss and consider approval of a contract with Health Care Visions for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) consulting services and take any action necessary.

**Beaty summarized for the board the services that Steve Athey, owner of Health Care Visions, has provided to the ES Corporation Board over the last year.**

**\* Cecil made a motion to extend the board's contract with Health Care Visions with a 5% increase over last year's contracted amount.**

**\*\* Straughan seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

- 8. Discuss and consider approval of an agreement between Rockwall County and the Emergency Services Corporation for provision of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for fiscal year 2008 in the amount of \$222,179.50 and take any action necessary.**

**\* Cecil made a motion to approve the agreement.**

**\*\* Hill seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

- 9. Discuss and consider approval of an agreement between Rockwall County and the Emergency Services Corporation for provision of operating expenses associated with Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for fiscal year 2008 in the amount of \$6,610.00 and take any action necessary.**

**\* Cecil made a motion to approve the agreement.**

**\*\* Hill seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

- 10. Hear update on Emergency Management Program and take any action necessary.**

**Lieutenant David Davis with the Rockwall County Sheriff's Office introduced Matt Miller, the new Emergency Management Specialist for the County. Matt has a degree in emergency management and experience with Fort Worth/Tarrant County Office of Emergency Management. He has also been through a federal disaster declaration related to flooding in Fort Worth.**

**Lt. Davis spoke about some of the requirements for National Incident Management System (NIMS) training for first responders, key appointed officials, and elected officials throughout the county. The county emergency operations plan has been updated to be NIMS compliant, as required by the State. Joe DeLane, the county Emergency Management Coordinator, will soon be meeting with each jurisdiction and each City Council to introduce himself and give a formal update on emergency management in the county.**

- 11. Hear treasurer's report and update from Bill Sinclair and take any action necessary.**

**County Treasurer, Bill Sinclair, gave a brief update on bank account balances.**

- 12. Adjournment**

**\* Straughan made a motion to adjourn the regular board meeting at 6:47 p.m.**

**\*\* Florance seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

### **Special Services Board Meeting**

- 1. Call to order**

**Beaty called the special services board meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.**

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

**Mitch Ownby briefed the board on special events, response time compliance and billing.**

**Laurie Grinnan, Rockwall County Commissioner and future ES Corporation board member, inquired about the difference between rural and urban response times. Ownby explained that, per the contract, Rockwall, Heath and Royse City are considered 'urban.' The other jurisdictions are considered 'rural.'**

**Ownby introduced a new report reflecting 'stop the clock' response times. Board member Straughan expressed satisfaction with the format of the report and the information provided.**

**Beaty asked how the ambulances are compensating for construction delays. Ownby explained that supervisors currently help cover and sometimes an ambulance is staged at the corner of Hwy. 549 near IH-30. They also still stage an ambulance at Rockwall's Fire Station # 2 on Rockwall Parkway. The construction has caused some problems, but Ownby indicated that they have been handling it okay so far.**

3. Adjournment

**\* Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.**

**\*\* Mellody seconded the motion.**

**\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.**

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 28th day of November, 2007.**

ATTEST:

  
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Stephen Straughan  
Secretary, Board of Directors  
County of Rockwall ESC

  
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Bill Cecil  
President, Board of Directors  
County of Rockwall ESC