

# COUNTY OF ROCKWALL EMERGENCY SERVICES CORPORATION MINUTES



**September 28, 2005 - Regular Board Meeting**

ROCKWALL HISTORIC COURTHOUSE 101 EAST RUSK ROCKWALL, TEXAS 75087

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## **Board Members Present:**

Bruce Beaty  
Scott Self  
Bill Cecil  
Stephen Straughan  
Steve Hatfield  
Dennis Alsup  
David Hill  
Jim Mellody

## **Board Members Absent:**

John Ratcliffe  
Wanda Cooper

### **1. Call to Order**

Bruce Beaty called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

### **2. Discuss and consider approval of the minutes from the August 25, 2005 ESC Board Meeting.**

\* Scott Self made a motion to approve the minutes.

\*\* Steve Hatfield seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passes unanimously.

### **3. Hear update from Julie Couch regarding the joint law enforcement gun range facility and take any action necessary.**

Julie Couch, City Manager for the City of Rockwall provided background information regarding the proposed gun range facility and explained a handout including financing options and budget estimates. Couch said the subcommittee was ready to make a recommendation.

Self clarified that if an entity decides to not participate after reviewing the documents, the project would continue. Couch responded stating the project would be reallocated to the remaining jurisdictions and the project would move forward.

Self added that the allocation would be recalculated each year. Beaty clarified as other agencies hire officers (i.e. Fate, McClendon-Chisholm) that those entities would be responsible for their allocation.

Jim Mellody asked about the capacity of the facility. Couch responded that capacity shouldn't be reached for the next twenty years and while now the facility will have places available for customers, as the entities grow in strength space would become only available to the owners.

\* Scott Self made a motion to send the contract on to the member cities for review.

\*\* Dennis Alsup seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

Couch added the responses must be returned within sixty (60) days.

Beaty recessed the Regular Board Meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Beaty reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:21 p.m.

#### **4. Other business**

Lt. David Davis discussed the addition of a County Emergency Management Coordinator and associated staff. The Commissioner's Court has approved a proposal to peruse. The position will be under the Sheriff's Office and will be supervised by Davis. The expense associated with the position includes salary and benefits and capital expenditures (desk, computer, etc.). Total estimated first year cost is \$158,500 with the County participating at 50%. \$79,250 would be allocated amongst the participating entities. County funds have been approved for their allocation. Davis added the County has a vehicle and hopes the City of Rockwall will provide an additional vehicle. Fire Station #2 has office space available. Davis explained that while this space has its disadvantages in terms of proximity to the Sheriff's Office most of the work is budget and grant management so constant supervision isn't needed. Davis explained that a resolution will be needed from each entity stating the willingness to participate.

Couch added there are still several agreements that need to be clarified regarding expectations, etc. and the position will not be filled before mid-year. She advised a sub-committee be appointed.

Beaty explained the emergency management function must be under the Sheriff's Office by law and the ESC would have oversight.

Dennis Alsup said he would speak with his Council, however Rowlett has already approved an EMC position in next budget year. Davis explained that Rowlett has more incentive to participate with Dallas County because of larger funding levels.

A sub-committee was appointed and includes the following members:

David Hill – City of Fate

Jim Mellody – Royse City

Bill Cecil – City of Rockwall

Scott Self – Rockwall County

## **5. Adjournment**

\* Scott Self made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

\*\* David Hill seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

## **Special Services Board Meeting**

### **1. Call to order**

Bruce Beaty called the Special Services Board Meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

### **2. Appointment with Steven Athey, President of Health Care Visions, to discuss EMS study and take any action necessary.**

Mr. Athey presented his report and provided justification for the Medic Rescue subsidy request. The recommendation is to approve the requested subsidy for an interim period until the Phase 2 review is complete. Mr. Athey added he is comfortable with the initial examination but the subsidy may go down with further review. The secondary review and recommendation is not to exceed five (5) months.

\* Bill Cecil made a motion to increase the subsidy to \$45,425 for five months (through February 2005).

\*\* Scott Self seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

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

Mitch Ownby stated the final audit was promised by today (9/28/05) but has now been extended by the auditor to Friday (9/30/05). He added a new accounting firm will be chosen once this audit is complete.

Ownby reviewed the monthly reports adding volume was up and staffing levels have improved.

### **4. Discuss and consider approval of the proposed FY 2005 - 2006 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Budget and take any action necessary.**

Couch clarified that the budget needs to be increased to include Mr. Athey's fee for the review.

\* Scott Self made a motion to approve the budget including \$21,000 for the EMS review.

\*\* Bill Cecil seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously.

**5. Other business**

**6. Adjournment**

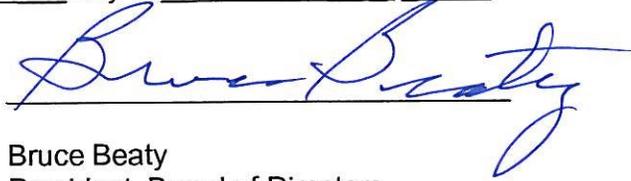
\*Scott Self made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

\*\* Bill Cecil seconded the motion.

\*\*\* The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

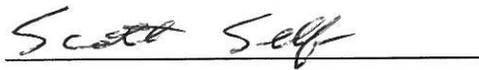
Beaty then reconvened the Regular Board Meeting.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 30th day of November, 2005.



Bruce Beaty  
President, Board of Directors  
County of Rockwall ESC

ATTEST:



Scott Self  
Secretary, Board of Directors  
County of Rockwall ESC

