

22APR24 Minutes of the meeting of the Real County Emergency Services District #1

Judge Rubio swore in the following individuals as Commissioners: Charlie Reagor, Roel Gonzalez, Darlene Adair, Steve Gray, Frank Freeman

1. Call the meeting to Order. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM in the Real County Courthouse Courtroom.
2. Citizen Comments. No one chose to address the Board.
3. Approve and accept statements of oath of office. Real County Judge Bella Rubio swore in the following individuals as Commissioners: Charlie Reagor, Roel Gonzalez, Darlene Adair, Steve Gray and Frank Freeman.
4. Action regarding the election of officers. Discussions occurred; Nominations offered and the following elections were made: Commissioner Adair nominated Charlie Reagor for President. Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Discussion followed. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention by Commissioner Reagor. Motioned carried.  
Commissioner Gonzalez nominated Commissioner Gray for Vice President. Seconded by Commissioner Adair. Discussion followed. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention by Commissioner Gray. Motion carried.  
Commissioner Gray nominated Commissioner Adair for Treasurer, Seconded by Commissioner Reagor. Discussion followed, Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstention by Commissioner Adair. Motion carried.  
Commissioner Adair nominated Commissioner Gonzalez as Assistant Treasurer. Seconded by Commissioner Freeman. Vote ayes 4, nays 0, 1 abstention by Commissioner Gonzalez. Motion carried.  
Commissioner Reagor nominated Commissioner Freeman for Secretary, seconded by Roel Gonzalez. Vote 4 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstention by Commissioner Freeman. Motion carried.
5. Retention of Legal Counsel. Commissioner Freeman moved to accept Carlton Law Firm as designated Legal Counsel for the District, seconded by Commissioner Adair, Motion carried unanimously.
6. Required ESD Board member training. Discussion ensued and Commissioner Adair stated she had completed her training. No vote necessary.
7. Public Participation resolution at Open meetings. Motion to adopt by Commissioner Gonzalez, seconded by Commissioner Adair, Motion carried unanimously.
8. Budget and Tax rate process. Discussion identified a need formation of a Budget Committee with the District Treasurer as one member. Commissioner Reagor motioned to have Commissioner Adair and Commissioner Freeman on the Committee. Second by Commissioner Gonzalez, Motion passed unanimously.
9. Discussion on District property values and Real Emergency District #1 creation. Motion by Commissioner Freeman; seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to empower District Counsel to notify the Real County Appraisal District of the creation of the ESD district. Motion passed unanimously.
10. Collection agreement and notification of the Real County Tax Office of the creation of the ESD District. Discussion occurred and Commissioner Adair motioned to request agreement with the Real County Tax Assessor Collector's Office for collection of District taxes. Commissioner Reagor seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

11. Treasurer's Bond. Discussion was held with District Counsel regarding obtaining a Treasurer's Bond. No action taken.
12. District start up costs and financing. Motion made by Commissioner Freeman and Seconded by Commissioner Gray on engaging the District Counsel to obtain bids for provision of startup costs and initial financing. Motion carried unanimously.
13. Contracts for administrative and emergency services. Discussion was held on possible beneficiaries of District funding and identities of possible designated service providers. Included were Frio Canyon EMS, Leakey Volunteer Fire Department and Real County SO Dispatch. No further action was taken. Presentations from the individual entities would be needed to make funding decisions.
14. Fiscal Calendar year. Commissioner Reagor motioned and Commissioner Gray seconded that the District Fiscal year begin October 1st and end on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
15. Employer Identification Number. Commissioner Gonzalez motioned and Commissioner Adair seconded to apply for a District Employee Identification Number. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.
16. Establishment of District Depository Accounts. Discussion followed. Commissioner Adair motioned to use First State Bank. Commissioner Gonzalez seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
17. Establish District PO Box and Administrative Office. Commissioner Reagor motioned and Commissioner Gonzales seconded establishment of same. Motion carries unanimously. District office will be 420 West Ranch Road 337, Leakey Texas 78873. PO BOX is 693, Leakey, TX 78873.
18. Establish Official Newspaper. Discussion followed. Commissioner Freeman motioned, Commissioner Gonzalez seconded to use the *Uvalde Leader-News* as the District's newspaper of record. Motion carried unanimously.
19. District Website and email addresses. Commissioner Freeman moved and Commissioner Gray seconded to establish a website and obtain email addresses. Motion carried unanimously.
20. Establish future meeting place, day and time. Discussion followed. Commissioner Freeman moved and Commissioner Adair seconded to have the Leakey Senior Center as official meeting place, third Tuesday of the month as day and 5:30 as a start time. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting will be May 21<sup>st</sup> at 420 West Rach Road 337 at 5:30 PM.
21. Discuss membership in SAFE-D, the Texas association of Fire and Emergency Service Districts. Discussion followed. Commissioner Adair moved and Commissioner Freeman seconded joined SAFE-D. Motion carried unanimously.
22. Adjournment. Commissioner Gonzalez moved and Commissioner Reagor seconded to adjourn.

Signed, Frank Freeman Secretary, Real ESD #1