



JIM WELLS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT NUMBER 1 NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is given that the Board of Commissioners of Jim Wells County Emergency Services District #1 (JWCESD#1) will meet September 22, 2020, at 7:00 PM, in the Abel Perez Fire House (APFH) located at 101 FM 1540 in Sandia, Texas 78383 in a regular monthly meeting for the following posted agenda. Persons with disabilities, who plan to attend this meeting and may need auxiliary aid or services are requested to contact JWCESD#1 Commissioner Karin Knolle @ 361-547-9796 at least 48 hours in advance, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. COVID 19 Meeting Accommodations. If necessary, to accommodate the public, the meeting will be held in the APFH main bays with chairs to be placed at 10' foot separation distances. Additional seating accommodations will be made for any member of the public who attends. Please call above number if you plan on attending the meeting so we can provide accommodations. MASKS ARE MANDATORY.

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time comments will be taken from the audience on non-agenda-related topics. To address the JWCESD#1 Board, please sign in upon arrival and prior to the start of the meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, any response to a public comment made on an item not published on the final agenda will be limited to a statement of factual information or a statement of existing policy given in response to the public comment. Any deliberation or decision by the board must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda.

3. INTRODUCTION OF INVITED GUESTS/SPEAKERS

4. SECRETARY'S REPORT – Deliberation, updates, and/or action regarding:

- i. The meeting minutes from August 11, 2020 Regular Meeting and the August 20, 2020 Special Meeting.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT– Deliberation, updates, and/or action regarding

- i. Financial Reports for August 2020.
- ii. Authorization to pay outstanding monthly bills due.

6. SVFD COMMAND STAFF REPORT

- i. Fire Chiefs Incident, Operations, and Maintenance Reports August 2020.

7. NEW BUSINESS– Deliberation, updates, and/or action regarding:

- i. Adoption of the District's 2020 – 2021 Fiscal Year Budget (Attachment A).
- ii. Adoption of Proposed Tax Rate for the 2020 Tax Year of \$0.066644 per \$100, which is effectively a 3.50% increase in the tax rate.
- iii. Renewal of HALO Flight Guardian Ranch Plan for FY 21.
- iv. Renewal of VFIS Insurance policies for FY 21.
 - a. Accident & Sickness Policy
 - b. Workman's Compensation Policy
 - c. Property and Casualty Policy
- v. Upgrade radios on fire apparatus.
- vi. Purchase of firefighting gear for new firefighters.
- vii. Removal of propane tank.

8. OLD BUSINESS (Items tabled for further deliberation, updates, and/or action, or review of quotes/information)

- i. Status report from Chief Barajas on the submission of Texas Forest Service grants for insurance reimbursement.
- ii. Update on purchase of wildland protective gear/boots and Texas Forest Service reimbursement grant.
- iii. Presentation of Bids received by Chief Barajas regarding APFH maintenance repairs.
- iv. Update on information requested by the Board regarding paying volunteers for standby and call out duties at/from the firehouse.
- v. Update, if applicable on radio tower issues and corrective actions.
- vi. Other Miscellaneous Items.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Abraham Aguilar, President JWCESD#1

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Abraham Aguilar".

In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §551, the above Notice of Public Meeting of the Jim Wells County Emergency Services District #1, Board of Commissioners was posted on the bulletin board in front of the Sandia Volunteer Fire Department and the Jim Wells County Courthouse, which are readily accessible to the public at all times by 5:00 PM on Friday September 18, 2020.

Note: Pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act §551.971 thru §551.075, the Jim Wells County Emergency Services District #1 Board of Commissioners reserves the right to meet in Closed Executive Session. The Commissioners reserve the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time regarding any issue on this agenda for which it is legally permissible. Closed Session items may be discussed and acted upon, if appropriate in Open Session.