

MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
GALVESTON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

A budget workshop of the Board of Commissioners of Galveston County Emergency Services District No. 2 (the "District") was called for at 3:00 p.m. on July 12, 2017, at the District's administrative office, located at the Crystal Beach Fire Station, 930 Noble Carl Road, Crystal Beach, Texas 77650, pursuant to notice duly posted according to law.

The workshop was called to order at approximately 3:00 p.m., and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to wit:

Sid Bouse	President
John Lee, Jr.	Vice President
Kate Newberry	Secretary
George Strong	Treasurer
Moody Fredenburg	Assistant Treasurer

All of said Board members were present, except for Sid Bouse, President, thus constituting a quorum. Also present at the meeting was Jan Foster, District Administrative Assistant, and the individuals listed on the attendance log attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Upon establishing that a quorum was present, Vice President Lee directed the Board to Agenda Items No. 3, at which time the Board members and others in attendance said the U.S. and Texas pledges of allegiance.

The Board was then directed to Agenda Item No. 4 regarding the District and departments' 2017-18 budget proposals. After reviewing the proposed budgets submitted by PEMSI and the VFDs, the Board discussed various matters relating thereto with the department representatives present. PEMSI Director Matt Summers indicated that their contribution will increase to \$198,000. He also stated that his proposed budget request is solid.

The proposed Gilchrist fire station was discussed next. Vice President Lee asked what the benefit of adding another station would be to the Peninsula and all the existing fire departments agreed that there is tremendous growth in the Gilchrist area and another fire station is needed. There was discussion of a land swap in order to locate the fire station within the five mile boundary to meet ISO requirements. And a possible grant to finance the building. In addition, Mark Forey stated most of the equipment was being donated. He then requested that GCESD#2 provide Gilchrist with official support so that they could ask the county association for funds.


Per Kate Newberry, Secretary, Crystal Beach VFD is revising its draft budget, but it is basically done. Secretary Newberry has asked for three different budget scenarios to possibly include Gilchrist VFD as a substation.

George Strong, Treasurer, reviewed the GCESD#2 budget request and explained several increases which were related to hiring a District Manager.

Finally, the High Island VFD and Port Bolivar VFD budgets were briefly discussed and there were no questions related to these requests.

After Vice President Lee indicated that the revised budget would be discussed at the regular GCESD#2 Board Meeting on July 19, 2017, there was no further discussion.

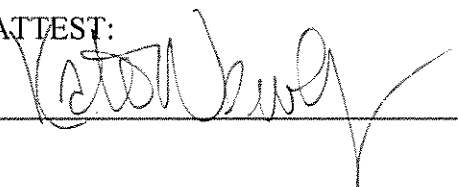
As per Agenda Item No. 5, the Workshop was then adjourned at approximately 4:00 p.m.



Sid Bouse, President

Date: 7-19-17

ATTEST:



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Exhibit A

