

THE STATE OF TEXAS                   X   KENEDY COUNTY FIRE &  
COUNTY OF KENEDY                   X   EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1

On the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., a Regular Meeting of the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District No. 1 was held at the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District #1 Fire Station, 350 n. Mallory Street, Sarita, Texas.

**Commissioners Present:**

William Dieterle  
Lonnie Allen Brown  
Robert Alegria  
Melinda Vela

**Also Present:**

Leo Villarreal  
Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief  
Ruben Hernandez  
Judge Charles E. Burns

**Absent:**

None

1.   **Call Meeting to Order**

William Dieterle, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.   **Public Comments**

No public comments were made.

3.   **Discuss & Act on Minutes of July 6, 2021 Regular Meeting**

William Dieterle, President, presented the Fire Commissioners' Minutes of the regular Fire Commissioners meeting of July 16, 2021.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the July 6, 2021 minutes of the Fire Commissioners' Regular Meeting be accepted as presented.

4.   **Discuss & Act on Administering Oath to Justin Cantu as a Commissioner of the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District No. 1 and Authorizing Justin Cantu to be a Signor on the District's Bank Account with Kleberg Bank**

William Dieterle informed the Commissioners that Justin Cantu had declined to serve on the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District No. 1. Therefore, no action was required and none was taken.

**5. Discuss & Act on Electing Secretary of the Kenedy County Fire & Emergency Services District No. 1**

William Dieterle informed the Commissioners that due to Justin Cantu declining to serve, that this item needed to be tabled until a new Commissioner is sworn in. Therefore, no action was required and none was taken.

**6. Discuss & Act on Fire Chief's Report**

**a. Training Drills**

**b. Meetings and Projects**

**c. Fire/Emergency Incidents Handled in July 2021**

Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief, presented his Fire Chief's report to the Fire Commissioners. He reported the following:

Training:

07/06/2021 Checked units and started all tools  
07/20/2021 Washed units

Meetings/Projects:

Update on the virus  
US Treasure Grant funding for Corona virus assistance  
Black Tahoe from County  
Pumper Truck from Nueces ESD #3  
Fuel Tanks (500 gal - \$675.00 and 1000 gal - \$1025.00)  
Cameras in the station  
SAFE-D conference in Ft. Worth on September 16-18, 2021

Fire Calls for July:

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| Vehicle Accidents  | 5  |
| Vehicle Fires      | 6  |
| Grass Fires        | 0  |
| Others             | 0  |
| Structure Fires    | 0  |
| Medical Assistance | 1  |
| TOTAL FIRE CALLS:  | 12 |

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Fire Chief's report be accepted as presented.

7. **Discuss & Act on the Designation of Kenedy County Tax Office to Calculate the No New Revenue Tax Rate and Voter Approval Tax Rate and Any Appropriate Action**

William Dieterle, President, informed the Fire Commissioners of the need to designate the Kenedy County Tax Office to calculate the No New Revenue Tax Rate and Voter Approval Tax Rate.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the Kenedy County Tax Office is hereby designated to calculate the No New Revenue Tax Rate and Voter Approval Tax Rate for the Fire District.

8. **Conduct 2022 Budget Workshop**

William Dieterle, President, informed the Fire Commissioners of the need to conduct the 2022 Budget Workshop. The Commissioners began working on the 2022 Budget.

This being a workshop only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

9. **Discuss & Act on 2022 Proposed Budget**

William Dieterle, President, presented the proposed 2022 Budget to the Commissioners. The Commissioners reviewed the Tax Office valuations and tax rates.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the proposed 2022 Budget be \$735,890.15.

10. **Discuss & Act on 2021 Proposed Tax Rate**

William Dieterle, President, presented the proposed 2021 Tax Rate to the Commissioners. The Commissioners reviewed the Tax Office valuations and tax rates.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the proposed 2021 Tax Rate be \$0.059479

11. **Discuss & Act on Setting Date for Public Hearing Regarding the 2021 Proposed Tax Rate and 2022 Proposed Budget**

William Dieterle informed the Commissioner of the need to set a date for the Public Hearing for the proposed 2021 Tax Rate and proposed 2022 Budget.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the date for the Public

Hearing for the proposed 2021 Tax Rate and proposed 2022 Budget be September 14, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

12. **Discuss & Act on Accepting a Tahoe from Sheriff's Department**

Jose E. Mendieta, Fire Chief, informed the Commissioners that the Sheriff's Department was willing to donate a 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe to the Fire District.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2009 Chevrolet Tahoe be accepted as a donation from the Sheriff's Department subject to Leo Villarreal finding out whether the title could be changed to the District and whether the District could insure the vehicle.

13. **Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Board Meeting**

William Dieterle informed the Commissioner that a date needed to be designated for the next meeting.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to hold the District's next regular meeting on September 14, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

13. **Ratify Payment of Bills Paid on August 9, 2021, Including Pay to Standby Officer**

William Dieterle presented the bills for the month ending July 31, 2021, which were paid on August 9, 2021, including the July pay to the Standby Officer, Ruben Hernandez.

Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the bills paid on August 9, 2021, are hereby ratified.

14. **Adjournment**

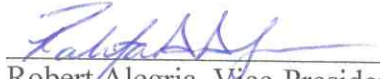
There being no further business to come before the Commissioners, Commissioner Lonnie Allen Brown moved and Commissioner Robert Alegria seconded the motion; the

motion was unanimously passed that the Fire Commissioners meeting be adjourned at 7:35 o'clock p.m.



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William Dieterle, President

ATTESTED TO:



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Robert Alegria, Vice-President