

HIDALGO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1
Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 20, 2025

The following Commissioners were present: Mark McCaleb, Ramon Montalvo, Jennifer Rektorik and James A. Vos

In addition, the following people were present: Richard S. Talbert, Attorney

- I. Meeting was called to order and quorum was established at 12:05 p.m.
- II. Approval of Minutes of September 8, 2025, meeting – After review and discussion, Commissioner Rektorik moved to approve the Minutes as presented, seconded by Commissioner Vos. Motion carried unanimously.
- III. Public Comments – None were presented.
- IV. New Business – discussion and possible action
 - A. Financial Report for September 2025 – After review and discussion, Commissioner Rektorik moved to accept the Financial Report as presented and file it for audit, seconded by Commissioner Vos. Motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Bills to be Paid – After review and discussion, Commissioner Vos moved to pay the bills as follows: (1) \$112.15 to Richard S. Talbert for reimbursement for food supplies for October 20, 2025 meeting and (2) \$4,377.10 to Richard S. Talbert, Attorney for Attorney's Fees (July-September 2025), seconded by Commissioner Rektorik. Motion carried unanimously.
- V. Other Business - discussion and possible action
 - A. Correspondence
 1. Paul Villarreal, Jr., Tax Assessor-Collector – Monthly Collection Reports – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
 2. Paul Villarreal, Jr., Tax Assessor-Collector – 2023-2024 SI Temp Proration Payoff – Mr. Talbert reported that the District had received a check for \$4.55 representing the SI Temp Proration Payoff and that the check would be deposited in the Rio Bank account. After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
 3. Hidalgo County Appraisal District – 2025 Assessment – 4th Quarter – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
 4. Hidalgo County Appraisal District – Ag-use Rollback Estimations from 10/1/2024 thru 9/30/2025 – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.

5. Montalvo Insurance – Indian Harbor Insurance Company – renewal offer for coverage on Public Officials Policy (12/14/2025 – 12/14/2026) – Commissioner Montalvo abstained from discussion and voting on this item. After review and discussion, Commissioner Rektorik moved to renew the coverage with the same terms and conditions as present coverage and to authorize the payment of the \$4,725.39 annual premium, seconded by Commissioner Vos. Motion carried unanimously with abstention by Commissioner Montalvo.
- B. City of Weslaco – Interlocal Governmental Agreement – Ambulance Services (IGAAS) - Status report on current IGAAS from October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2026; Approval of quarterly contract payments for quarterly periods April, May and June and July, August and September 2025 – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
- C. Hidalgo County Ad Hoc Committee on Emergency Services – discussion and possible action on proceedings related to county-wide review of provision of emergency services vis a vis existing Emergency Service Districts and related funding mechanisms within the District and Hidalgo County. – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
- D. Increase in Authorized Tax Rate – discussion and possible action on status of election to be held May 2026 to seek an increase in the maximum authorized tax rate for the District in accordance with the provisions of Section 775.0745 of the Texas Health & Safety Code – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
- E. Designated Bank Depositories – Review of status of accounts and possible restructuring/renewal of accounts and designation of District depositories – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
- F. Attorney’s Fees for collection of delinquent property taxes - Status Report and authorization to pay current attorney fees on delinquent tax collection accounts as per collection reports from Hidalgo County Tax Office and statements from Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP – After review and discussion, Commissioner Rektorik moved to pay the invoices for attorney fees of \$662.27 for the month of August 2025 and \$727.61 for the month of September 2025, seconded by Commissioner Vos. Motion carried unanimously.
- G. Texas State Association of Fire and Emergency Districts/SAFE-D – membership, training requirements available, reporting requirements and related matters, including reimbursement of expenses incurred by Commissioners in participating in required training and membership renewal dues invoice – After review and discussion, Commissioner Vos moved to pay the invoice for membership dues in the amount of \$275.00, seconded by Commissioner Rektorik. Motion carried unanimously.

- H. Status on recommendation to Hidalgo County Commissioner David Fuentes on the appointment of a new Commissioner to fill current vacancy. – After review and discussion, no further action was required or taken.
- V. Adjournment – There being no further business the meeting was adjourned with the announcement that the next regularly scheduled meeting would be November 17, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. TALBERT, Attorney for Hidalgo
County Emergency Services District No. 1

APPROVED:

JENNIFER REKTORIK, Secretary / Treasurer

Date: November _____, 2025