## Hays County ESD #4—Wimberley Fire Rescue Meeting Minutes

For the Board of Commissioners Special Called Meeting Held on March 18, 2022

- 1. President Ron Spangenberg called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.
- 2. Commissioners present were President Ron Spangenberg, Mr. John White, Mr. Chuck Ware, Mr. Joe Pendleton, and Mr. Larry Coker. A quorum was present. Also attending, Fire Chief Carroll Czichos, Assistant Fire Chief Christopher Robbins, and Executive Assistant Angel Robinson.
- 3. Public comment: No Public sign in. No Public comments. No public in attendance.
- 4. Public comment on agenda items; No Public comments
- 5. Discuss and consider financing the Rescue/Pumper ordered from Metro Fire, take any related action; President Spangenberg presented a third financing option from the lending firm of Community Leasing Partners. The Rescue Pumper was originally priced \$748,000 with the Board previously discussing a down-payment of \$300,000 or \$350,000. President Spangenberg stated this year's fiscal budget will need to be adjusted to include the downpayment funds over the \$100,000 originally budgeted for apparatus acquisition. Chief Czichos stated the price is being confirmed as the light tower at \$22,000 is removed and other apparatus built-ins are being added to keep the cost close the \$748,000. He stated hoses and other equipment will be purchased separately. Mr. Ware inquired if Community Leasing Partners has a good record in this field. Chief Czichos stated they have assisting fire departments with financing for apparatus purchased from Metro Fire for 17-years and they are a legitimate financing company. Carlton Law firm has worked with them previously. Chief Czichos said there is no fee for early payoff. President Spangenberg stated that Carlton Law shared that securing the loan against the Rescue Pumper itself vs. Sales and Use Tax is recommended. Discussion on rising interest rates rising and the 10-year financing option occurred between the Board members. Mr. Chuck Ware made a motion to approve entering into a financing agreement with Community Leasing Partners, selecting Option 3's amortization schedule with a \$350,000 down payment, at 3.11% for 10 years. Mr. Larry Coker seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Discuss and consider Central Station addition, change orders, take any related action taken; Chief Czichos reported the Wimberley Water service is connected to the new Addition at a cost of \$8,423.53, which included the upgrade from a ¾" to a 1" service line. He also reported on the bay doors and new circuit boards ordered as needed. President Spangenberg asked Chief Czichos to obtain the warranty documentation for the doors. No action taken.
- 7. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

Respectfully

Joe Pendleton, Secretary