MINUTES OF JULY 1, 2020, MEETING HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 48

A meeting was duly called of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 48, which was held at the District Administration Building located at 21201 Morton Road, Katy, Texas 77449, on Wednesday, July 1, 2020.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by **Marshall Kramer**, President, who announced that a quorum was present. Those Commissioners present were:

Marshall Kramer	Present
Sam Henderson	Present
Bret Fossum	Present
Russell Solomon	Present
Michael Fleming	Present

Also present at the meeting were District Fire Chief, Jeffrey Hevey, Assistant Chief of EMS, Eric Bank, Assistant Chief of Operations, Brett Ellis, Assistant Chief of Administration, Ray Sidwell, and Business Manager, Walla Almasri.

TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

No public comment.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND TAKE ACTION TO PAY DISTRICT BILLS.

Ms. Almasri presented the Board with the District bills. The Board reviewed and discussed the District bills. Mr. **Henderson** made a motion to approve the District bills related to expenses incurred by the District since the previous meeting. The check payment to Capital One Public Funding was removed and instead will be securely wired. Mr. **Fossum** seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM ASSISTANT CHIEF OF EMS ERIC BANK REGARDING COVID-19 MATTERS IMPACTING THE DISTRICT AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION RELATED.

Chief Bank discussed Covid-19 matters impacting the District. Chief Bank stated, "We currently have EMS staff that is out due to Covid-19 but will be back soon. Paramedic Casciotti is tracking employees who are Covid-19 asymptomatic. The numbers are going up with COVID are not getting any better. The government level has put us in danger by opening the country up way to soon. Harris County is now number three (3) behind New Jersey. It takes two (2) hours for a crew to make a call: go to the hospital, decontaminate the trucks, themselves, etc. We are running between twenty (20) to twenty-five (25) calls a day.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING THE "MYSIDEWALK" ANALYTICS SOFTWARE CONTRACT.

Chief Ellis presented the "mySidewalk" contract for the Board to approve and sign.

Mr. **Henderson** made a motion to approve and sign the contract with "mySidewalk." Mr. **Solomon** seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS, AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL FOR CHIEF HEVEY TO PARTICIPATE IN A CDC/NIOSH WORKING GROUP REGARDING FIRST RESPONDERS EXPOSED TO HAZARDOUS MATERIALS DURING DISASTERS.

Mr. **Henderson** made a motion to approve Chief Hevey to participate in a CDC/NIOSH working group regarding First Responders exposed to hazardous materials during disasters. Mr. **Solomon** seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0.

ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. **Henderson** made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. **Solomon** seconded the motion. The motion passed 5 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were passed and approved by the Board of Commissioners on August 5, 2020.

Russell Solomon
District Secretary