



Bandera, Uvalde, Medina, and Real County – Utopia/Vanderpool Area Emergency Services District No.1

Minutes of December 19, 2019, Regular Meeting

Meeting Location: Utopia Volunteer Fire Department,
485 Main Street, Utopia, (Uvalde County), Texas. 78884.

Commissioners attending: Al Buckner, Chad Hillis, Karen Heideman, Bill Cockerill

Commissioners not attending: Josef Richarz

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by **Buckner** at 7:02 p.m. and a quorum was established.
2. **Invocation:** The invocation was given by **Hillis**.
3. **Citizens communications:** None.
4. **Department reports:**

Utopia Fire/ Rescue: None.

Utopia EMS: Cockerill -- The EMS is looking to hire a new paramedic in January from funding provided by Bandera County. It will cover a part-time position.

Vanderpool Volunteer Fire: Buckner – The department obtained a new fireman with the park police. A fire at Kelly Ranch Road fought with the help of departments from Utopia, Medina and the Divide. Blew the last tire on the Humvee. Replaced tires on all other vehicles. Tanker needs transmission work, found place in San Antonio.

~~AL BUCKNER~~ President ~~CHAD HILLIS~~ Vice President ~~BILL COCKERILL~~ Treasurer
Bill Cockerill – Secretary ♦ **Josef Richarz** – Asst. Treasurer
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5. Minutes of previous ESD Board of Directors meeting, corrections and approval:

Heideman moved to approve minutes as submitted. *Hillis* seconded. Motion carried.

6. Treasurer's report and approval to pay ESD bills: *Hillis* moved to accept financial report as presented by treasurer and to pay bills. *Cockerill* seconded; motion carried. See attached report.

Heideman reported that tax collections are really coming in now. More is expected in the coming days.

7. Discussion and action to approve engagement letter with Cole Horton CPA for the 2019 audit:

Heideman moved to approve the letter. Seconded by *Hillis*. Motion carried.

8. Discussion and approval of resolution on citizens comments portion of meeting agenda:

Heideman moved approval. *Cockerill* seconded; motion carried. Resolution and sample form attached.

9. Discussion and approval of an official web site for ESD as sabinalcanyon.org/ESD/: Motion made by *Heideman*, seconded by *Cockerill*. Motion carried.

10. Discussion and approval of service provider contracts: Motion made by *Cockerill* to approve contract with Utopia EMS. Seconded by *Heideman*. Motion carried. Contracts with the Utopia and Vanderpool fire departments will be considered at future meeting.

11. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by *Cockerill* at 7:25 p.m. Seconded by *Heideman*. Motion carried.

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Respectfully Submitted:

Signed: _____ Approval Date: _____
Bill Cockerill, Secretary

Signed: _____
Board President or Vice President

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