



MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
PALO PINTO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No.1
April 15, 2026

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF PALO PINTO

The Board of Commissioners (“Board”) of the Palo Pinto County Emergency Services District No.1 (“ESD” and/or “District”) met in a regular meeting open to the public on April 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the ESD administrative building located at 55 South FM 2353 Graford, Texas 76449, pursuant to a notice (“Notice”) duly given in accordance with law. A true and correct copy of the Notice is attached to these Minutes.

General Matters

1. Call to order and establish quorum.

Commissioner Potter confirmed that each Commissioner comprising the ESD Board (i) had received notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting, and (ii) was present in person as follows:

<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>In Attendance</u>
Brad Potter	President	Yes
Rodney Hall	Vice President	Yes
Mike Carter	Secretary	Yes
Casey McGlaun	Treasurer	Yes
Bridgett Worley	Assistant Treasurer	Yes

He stated that a quorum of the Board existed and called the meeting to order. He confirmed that each Commissioner had received the meeting materials in advance of the meeting and directed Commissioner Carter, as Secretary of the Board, to file a copy of those materials with the minutes of the meeting.

ESD Assistant Fire Chief Kent Farquhar, District Administrator Mistie Clasby, and District Public Relations Coordinator Amy Bearden were present at the meeting along with representatives of several fire department service providers, representatives of Sacred Cross EMS, Mike Simpson with Midcom, Inc., and other citizens.

2. Public comments and announcements.

Commissioner Potter stated that he and ESD Fire Chief Watkins traveled to Sulphur Springs, Texas to visit with representatives of First In Public Safety Solutions, the contracted fabricator for the District's five (5) fire apparatus water tenders. He summarized the status of the project and provided an updated timeline for completion of the water tenders.

Representatives of the Brazos VFD announced their upcoming fund-raising event.

The District's Public Relations Coordinator Amy Bearden presented a draft press release to the Board regarding the joint preliminary discussions between the ESD and the City of Mineral Wells concerning construction of new fire/EMS station in the City of Mineral Wells.

No formal action was taken by the Board on the public comments and announcements.

3. Discuss/consider/take action on minutes of previous ESD Board of Commissioners regular meeting held on March 18, 2026, and special called meeting on April 1, 2026.

Commissioner Potter directed the Board's attention to the meeting materials containing minutes for the regular meeting held on March 18, 2026, and special called meeting held on April 1, 2026.

Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the minutes for the regular meeting and the special meeting, each as presented. Commissioner Worley seconded the motion. A discussion on the matters occurred. At the conclusion of the discussions on the matters the motion passed 5 ayes / 0 nays.

Routine Reports

4. Discuss/consider/take action on Treasurer's Report to include accounts payable, reconciliation of bank statements, financial statements, investment report(s), and 2026 budget (Ad Valorem and Sales Tax) reconciliations, and 2026 budget (Ad Valorem and Sales Tax) amendments.

Commissioner Potter directed the Board's attention to the meeting materials on the matters. Commissioner Carter made a motion to approve the accounts payable schedules, bank statement reconciliations, financial statements, investment report(s), 2026 budget (Ad Valorem and Sales Tax) reconciliations, and 2026 budget (Ad Valorem and Sales Tax) amendments, each as presented. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. A discussion occurred on the matters. At the conclusion of the discussions on the matters the motion passed 5 ayes / 0 nays.

5. Discuss/consider/take action on Fire Chief Report to include a report on county fire calls, various situational awareness reports, and the following:

- a. Updates on various fire department service provider matters.

Assistant Fire Chief Farquhar presented a report on county fire calls and various situational awareness reports, including a report on fire calls for each fire department service area, ESO reporting matters, training scenarios, and newly obtained fire fighter certifications. Various fire department service provider matters were also discussed. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

6. Discuss/consider/take action on Sacred Cross EMS Report to include a report on county EMS calls and various situational awareness reports.

The Sacred Cross representatives provided a report to the Board on the above matters for the month of March 2026. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

7. Discuss/consider/take action on any bids from Fire Departments for equipment purchased in excess of \$50,000.00.

No equipment purchases were submitted. No formal action was taken by the Board.

8. Discuss/consider/take action on any Fire Department financing obligations.

No financing obligations were submitted. No formal action was taken by the Board.

New Business

9. Discuss and consider construction of fire and EMS station facilities on real property owned by the District at the northeast corner of state highway 337 and U.S. 180 in the City of Mineral Wells.

Commissioner Potter provided an update on matters discussed at the ESD's special called meeting on April 1, 2026. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

10. Discuss/consider/take action on Mineral Wells Fire Department's Public Safety: Call Relief & Revenue Enhancements presentation to Mineral Wells City Council, and as follows:
 - a. Third Amendment to interlocal agreement between the District and the City of Mineral Wells.
 - b. Joint agreement between the City of Mineral Wells and the District for the construction and operation of fire and EMS station facilities in the City of Mineral Wells.

Commissioner Potter summarized recent ESD regular meetings and special called meetings where the above items were discussed. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

11. Discuss/consider/take action on ESD radio communications to include purchase, install, and programming of radio communications equipment; performance of FireNet tower(s) operations; and updates on various Midcom, Inc. communications projects.

Mike Simpson with Midcom, Inc. provided a status report on numerous ongoing communications projects, including the I-20 corridor system, the Colt Midstream tower, FireNet site # 7 at PK West, and Star Link internet service at the FireNet tower sites and the County 911/Dispatch center. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

12. Discuss/consider/take action on 2025-2026 agency agreements for fire department service providers, as follows:
 - a. 2026 proposed calendar year budget for Gordon VFD as submitted pursuant to signed agency agreement.

The proposed calendar year 2026 budget for the fire department service provider shown above, as contained in the meeting materials, was reviewed by the Board. Commissioner Carter made a motion to (x) approve the Gordon VFD's proposed calendar year 2026 budget as its operating budget pursuant to the signed agency agreement between the ESD and the department, and (y) fund the department \$50,000.00 for calendar year 2026, payable in installments pursuant to the signed agency agreement. Commissioner Hall seconded the motion. A discussion on the matters occurred. At the conclusion of the discussions on the matters the motion passed 5 ayes / 0 nays.

13. Discuss/consider/take action on proposed form of 2027-2028 agency agreement for fire department service providers.

Commissioner Potter directed the Board's attention to the draft 2027-2028 form of agency agreement contained in the meeting materials. A discussion occurred on the matters. No formal action was taken by the Board on the matters discussed.

Other Business

14. Set date for next meeting(s).

Regular Meeting May 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Special Called Meeting May 30, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

15. Adjourn.

At 6:45 p.m. Commissioner Hall made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Carter seconded the motion. No discussion. The motion passed 5 ayes / 0 nays.

The above minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of the Palo Pinto County Emergency Services District No.1 held on April 15, 2026 were approved at the May 13, 2026 regular meeting of the ESD Board.

Mike Carter, Secretary