



## Cameron County Emergency Services District No. 1 Board of Emergency Services Commissioners Meeting Notice Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – 1:30 P.M. Special Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS OF THE CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 (CCESD) WILL BE HELD AT THEEOC MEETING ROOM LOCATED ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, 964 E. HARRISON STREET, IN BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, AT 1:30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Quorum: Beverly Meyn, Rene Perez, Eduardo Alvarez, Calixto Suarez, Oscar Tapia

Staff: Grecia Lucio –ESD Coordinator, ESD Consultant – Tom Hushen, Fire Marshal Juan Martinez

Legal: Daniel N. Lopez and Myles Garza

Attendance: Los Fresnos Fire Chief Gene Daniels, STEC Director Bill Aston, Brownsville Fire Chief Jarret Sheldon, Brownsville Fire Deputy Eugenio Cardenas, BFD Fire Marshal Jose Lusi Garcia, Harlingen Fire Asst. Fire Chief Darrel Loftus, Deputy Fire Chief Jey Albitron, Arroyo City Fire Chief John Wheelan, Rio Hondo Fire Chief Julian Longoria and Asst. Fire Chief Arnold Sanchez, San Benito Fire Chief Efrain Bautista, La Feria Fire/Police Chief Cesar Diaz, La Feria Sgt. Ramon Tello, SPI Fire Chief Jim Pigg

### MEETING MINUTES

1. Swearing-in Ceremony for CCESD Board Members.

Rene Perez (1) year

Beverly Meyn (1) year

Calixto Suarez (1) year

*Swear-in Ceremony was conducted by Mrs. Grecia Lucio, CCESD Coordinator and Public Notary for the State of Texas for the re-appointment of Rene Perez, Beverly Meyn and Calixto Suarez at 1:30 p.m. Noted in the meeting minutes; we will reflect on a correction for Mr. Rene Perez; he was appointed to a (2) year term. Original agenda stated (1) year term, it should state (2) years. Attached, please find the Commissioners Court Appointment form.*

2. Call Meeting to Order.

A. Quorum

B. Pledge of Allegiance – United States of America and Texas

*Mr. Eddie Alvarez called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.*

*Quorum was established by members present, Eduardo Alvarez, Rene Perez, Beverly Meyn and Calixto Suarez*

3. Public Comments (**Each individual has up to three minutes. Board members will not engage in any discussion**).

*Attorney Myles Garza formally expressed his sincere gratitude to all ESD providers and attendees for the immense support shown on behalf of his beloved son, River Myles Garza.*

4. Discussion and possible action on the election of the CCESD Board Officers.

A. President

B. Vice President

C. Secretary

D. Treasurer

E. Assistant Treasurer

*The CCESD Board appointed Mr. Rene Perez as President and Mr. Oscar Tapia as Board Treasurer. All other appointees remained as is, Eduardo Alvarez, Vice President, Beverly Meyn, Secretary, and Calixto Suarez, Assistant Treasurer.*

*Motion made by Mr. Alvarez seconded by Mrs. Meyn.*

5. Approval of Minutes:

A. December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes

*Motion to approve the Meeting Minutes for December 3, 2025, made by Mr. Perez, seconded by Mrs. Meyn. Motion carried.*

6. Financial Report:

A. December Bank Statement (Revenues)

B. Payment of Claims

*As of December 1, 2025, the beginning balance was \$4,019,650.55, a total of 20 deposit/credits in the amount of \$556,919.76 a total of 24 check/debit in the amount of \$837,179.08, total interest incurred for the month in the amount of \$7,028.26. Ending balance as of December 2025, was in the amount of \$3,746,419.49*

*Total revenue for the month of December 2025 was in the amount of \$554,896.26. Total revenue to date was in the amount of \$3,008,929.26. Mrs. Lucio stated December marked the end of the first fiscal quarter and that the reconciliation was done (2) times. She included both reconciliation forms and stated that the initial reconciliation reflected interest from Lone Star as both a deposit and an expense. Mrs. Lucio explained that she deleted the reconciliation to correct the error, and the reconciliation has since been corrected and completed.*

*Mrs. Lucio reported on the payment of claims.*

*Mrs. Lucio stated that December marked most quarterly payment to providers.*

*She stated that some providers were pending payment due to not having received contract but was in communication with said providers. She then stated that underline-item travel and training, there was an expense for \$3,245.00 that was SAFE-D registration fees for (11) attendees. Other expenses under supplies and equipment; one for \$19.66 Dollar General, a second one for \$19.87 Walmart ESD Meeting Drinks, and \$120.45 Marylus' Tamales for the ESD Meeting.*

7. Reports:

A. Coordinator's Report- Monthly Summary Report

B. Emergency Services Consultant's – Emergency Management Assessment Report

C. Fire Marshal's Report

*Mr. Tapia entered the meeting at 1:43 p.m.*

*Mrs. Lucio announced and congratulated Mr. Rene Perez for becoming a Certified Emergency Services Commissioner through and for SAFE-D. She stated that Mr. Perez completed recognized training and certificate program focused on governance, oversight, leadership, understanding policy, ethics, transparency budgeting, contracts and public accountability of ESD's.*

*Mrs. Lucio then reported that she still did not have an active work phone and provided her personal phone number in case needed. She then stated on the continuous fire and EMS report log in and mentioned that there were several contracts pending return. Lastly, she addressed the board and stated that at the next meeting there will be an agenda item to discuss the possibility of creating a separate account for the Special Event Fund. End of report.*

*Juan Martinez reported for Thomas Hushen ESD Consultant and fire marshal report.*

*Mr. Martinez reported that the office of Emergency Management was starting to prepare for the 2026 Hurricane Season, and meeting locations are in work.*

*Mr. Martinez reported on behalf of the Fire Marshal's Office that they hosted the first inaugural Fire Convention at the Bert Ogden Arena in Hidalgo County. He advised that the event was a regional collaboration among multiple counties and expressed their commitment to continuing the partnership in the years to come to further educate and serve families.*

*End of report.*

*Motion to acknowledge reports A., B., and C., made by Mr. Suarez, seconded by Mr. Tapia. Motion carried.*

- 8.** Discussion on SAFE-D Conference and attendee travel reimbursement.

*Acknowledge report.*

- 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:**

- A. Confer with Cameron County Emergency Services District Board Legal Counsel regarding legal issues with Service Contracts, pursuant to V.T.C.A., Government Code Section 551.071 (2).

*No action.*

- 10.** Action Relative to the Executive Session.

- A. Possible Action

*No action.*

- 11.** Adjournment.

*Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Tapia, seconded by Mr. Suarez.*

Signed and posted on this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2026, at \_\_ a.m. /p.m., in Brownsville, Texas.

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Oscar Tapia, Board President - Cameron County Emergency Services District No. 1