

**Williamson County Emergency Services District #12
Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
2114 Downing Lane
Leander, TX 78641
8:00 A.M.**

Minutes of special meeting for July 31st, 2026

Agenda items were addressed in the following order:

1. Call meeting to order – Meeting opened at 8:00 a.m. The Commissioners present were Eleanor Meltzer, Judy Pokorny, Feliza Conway, Bob McBride Jr and Laurie Carlson.
2. Public comment – No public present.
3. Consider taking action regarding 2026-27 budget – The proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year was reviewed and Commissioners discussed the Contracted Emergency Services expense; this amount was increased from \$270k to \$300k, and Sheryl Morris was instructed to send the revised proposed budget to clicktunity for posting to the website. No action taken.
4. Discuss and consider taking action regarding 2026 tax rate, including:
 - (a) Establishing proposed tax rate and taking record vote – The District’s 2026 Tax Rate Calculations memo provided by The Carlton Law Firm was reviewed and discussed. Commissioner Conway said proposing a rate of \$0.10/100 would enable the ESD to catch up with payments to City of Cedar Park. Commissioner Pokorny said she was more comfortable with a tax rate of \$0.09/100 for the upcoming year. Commissioner Meltzer talked about budgeting and percentages and wants defensible numbers. The Law Firm’s calculations were reviewed and Commissioners’ calculations were performed. Commissioner McBride motioned to propose a tax rate of \$0.0987/100, seconded by Commissioner Carlson and approved 4-1 with Commissioner Meltzer voting against this rate. Record vote as follows:
 - Feliza Conway, President – yes
 - Eleanor Meltzer, Vice President – no
 - Judy Pokorny, Treasurer – yes
 - Bob McBride Jr, Assistant Treasurer – yes
 - Laurie Carlson, Secretary – yes
 - (b) Authorizing expense and publication of “Small Taxing Unit Notice” in Hill Country News – Commissioner Conway motioned to authorize the expense and publication of the Small Taxing Unit Notice in Hill Country News, seconded by Commissioner McBride and approved 5-0.
 - (c) Acknowledging and approving posting of “Small Taxing Unit Notice” to home page of District website – Commissioner Conway motioned to acknowledge and approve posting of the Small Taxing Unit Notice to the home page of the website, seconded by Commissioner Pokorny and approved 5-0.

5. Adjournment – Commissioners were reminded that the next regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Monday August 17th 2026 at 6:00 p.m. and Sheryl was asked to add an item to the agenda to discuss the Leander lagoon water usage concern. Meeting was adjourned at 8:33 a.m.

Monthly Minutes Approved

On 8/17/26 (date); at 6:10 pm. (time)

By Laurie D Carlson (Secretary)