

## Harris County Emergency Services District No. 14

### January 26, 2026 Minutes

The January meeting of H.C.E.S.D. #14 was called to order at 12:00 PM on January 26, 2026, by President Jim Strouhal. Members present were Jim Strouhal, Johnny Gaeke, Mark Taylor, Elaine Marshall and Jerry Ickes. A quorum was determined to be present. Attorney John Peeler was also present.

Review and discuss annual conflict of interest requirements under Local Government Code 176.003 and 171.004.

No Action

Review and discuss access to personal information under Public Information Act, including review of sections 552.024, 552.117, and 552.1175.

No Action

#### **Public Comment:**

No Public Present

The minutes of the December 2025 Meeting were presented. A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Elaine Marshall and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Taylor. Motion approved.

#### **Correspondence received:**

- Electronic Report of present and past correction rolls from H.C. Tax-Assessor Collector
- Woodforest National Bank account statement dated December 31, 2025
- Woodforest National Bank Pledge Report December 31, 2025
- Texas Controller of Public Accounts Special Purpose District Sales and Use Tax Allocation Summary ending 1/9/26: \$214,968.80
- Invoice from the Star Courier posting the official Administration Address of District in amount of \$125.00. Motion by Elaine, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Gaeke to pay invoice. Motion approved.

Review, discuss and take action on District's Investment Policy. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Marshall to leave the same as last year. Motion approved

**Review and act on District financial matters, including:**

- Monthly financial reports from San Jacinto Tax Service.

Woodforest National Bank account statement ending December 31, 2025.

<b>Bank Account</b>	\$200,042.41
<b>Inter-Fi</b>	\$532,492.36
<b>Investments</b>	\$2,648,905.23
<b>Total Balance</b>	\$3,381,439.99

Johnny Gaeke made a motion to approve the financial report as presented, 2nd by Elaine Marshall. Motion approved.

- Fourth Quarter report from Investment Officer and action on Investments. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Gaeke approve Quarterly to Investment Officer. Motion approved
- Payment of bills and invoices.

Invoice from San Jacinto Tax Service for November expenses. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Taylor to pay invoice in amount of \$478.12. Motion approved.

Invoice from EHCEC for dispatch services for January 2026. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Marshall pay \$9,376.50 from Sales and Use Tax account. Motion approved.

Invoice from Coveler & Peeler for December 2025 Legal Services. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Marshall to pay the invoice in the amount of \$1,436.86. Motion approved.

Receipt from Jerry Ickes for new laptop and flash drive in the amount of \$661.98 for the district. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Marshall to approve reimbursement. Motion approved

Invoice from Clicktunity in the amount of \$149.00 for monthly website services. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Taylor to approve. Motion approved

Receipts from Mark Taylor’s expenses incurred while attending Fire Department Facilities Conference in August 2025 in the amount of \$361.72. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Gaeke to approve. Motion approved

**Report from Fire Chief Mike Carsner:**

The total number of responses for the month of December 2025 was **378**.

	Total Calls		In District	Out of District
Fire Calls	118		5 Minutes	12 Minutes
EMS Cal	260		6 Minutes	11 Minutes

EMS Responses	Transports	Non-Transports	No Medical / No Patient	Life Flights
	146	53	48	0

Reviewed H.V.F.D. Treasurer’s report for tax account.

**HVFD Request for funds:**

- A request for \$16,000 for routine operations for the month of February 2026 from the Property Tax account was made. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Taylor to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$138,769.43 for EMS Payroll 2 (two) paydays December 2025 from Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elaine Marshall to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$48,479.93 for Part-Time Firefighter Payroll 2 (two) paydays for December 2025 from the Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$10,489.26 for Firefighter Incentives for December 2025 was made from the Sales and Use account. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$9,087.54 to pay Full -Time EMS Personnel Health Insurance to reimburse the Fire Department for Insurance Premium for December 2025. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mark Taylor to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$5,403.94 to pay for EMS Supplies for December 2025 from Sales and Use account. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.

- A request for \$18,285.00 to reimburse the Department for new Bunker gear (4 sets) to replace old gear from Sales and Use account. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved
- A request for \$9,019.00 to reimburse the Department for Stryker ProCare service plan from Sales and Use account. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved

**New Business:**

- Review and take action regarding real estate, including sale, purchase, lease, platting, utilities, encumbrance and legal actions related to real estate.

No action

- To review and act on claims, lawsuits, or Public Information Act requests.

No action

- Review and act regarding District funding for HVFD participation in the Texas Emergency Service Retirement System, VFIS length of service award program and other programs.

Received 2 options from Chief Carsner. No action taken

- Review and act on matters related to construction, renovation, repair, maintenance and improvements to District or Department facilities and real property, including engagement of design professionals or engineering services, selection of builders/contractors, acquisition of materials for same, and cooperation with other county entities regarding the development of stations, including action on construction financing.

Held discussion, no action

- To review and act on the acquisition of equipment and vehicles, including approval of acquisition financing for same and to discuss and act on disposition of surplus or salvage property pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code

No action

Next meeting will be February 23, 2026, at 12:00 PM at Fire Station 27.

Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to adjourn. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 PM.

Jerry W. Ickes