

Harris County Emergency Services District No. 14

April 27, 2026 Minutes

The April meeting of H.C.E.S.D. #14 was called to order at 12:00 PM on April 27, 2026, by President Jim Strouhal. Members present were Jim Strouhal, Johnny Gaeke, and Jerry Ickes. A quorum was determined to be present. Attorney John Peeler was also present.

Public Comment:

No Public Present

The minutes of the March 2026 Meeting were presented. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Johnny Gaeke and 2nd by Jerry Ickes. Motion approved.

Correspondence received:

- Electronic Report of present and past correction rolls from H.C. Tax-Assessor Collector
- Woodforest National Bank account statement dated March 31, 2026
- Woodforest National Bank Pledge Report March 31, 2026
- Texas Controller of Public Accounts Special Purpose District Sales and Use Tax Allocation Summary ending 4/10/26: \$191,983.33
- VFIS letter concerning H.B. 4144
- VFIS notice of Conditional Renewal of Board Insurance
- Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to change mailing address for Woodforest Bank notices to San Jacinto Tax Services. Motion approved

Review and act on District financial matters, including:

- Monthly financial reports from San Jacinto Tax Service.

Woodforest National Bank account statement ending March 31, 2026.

Bank Account	\$200,042.41
Intra-Fi	\$522,303.59
Uncleared Checks	\$13,792.11
Investments	\$3,476,661.58
Total Balance	4,185,215.47

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

- Quarterly report from Investment Officer and action on Investments. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve Quarterly Investment Officer. Motion approved

- Payment of bills and invoices.

Invoice from San Jacinto Tax Service for March 2026 expenses. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to pay invoice in amount of \$478.90. Motion approved.

Invoice from EHCEC for dispatch services for April 2026. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to pay \$9,473.85 from Sales and Use Tax account. Motion approved.

Invoice from Coveler & Peeler for March 2026 Legal Services. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to pay the invoice in the amount of \$1,763.11. Motion approved.

Invoice from Clicktunity for \$149.00 for monthly website maintenance. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve. Motion approved

Invoice from Houston Chronicle for \$2,486.04 for Request for Design Professionals for new Station 17 design. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to pay invoice. Motion approved.

Tax invoice from Harris County Water Improvement District #1 for the remainder of property tax due on South Main property in the amount of \$127.99. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to pay invoice. Motion approved.

Tax invoice from Goose Creek CISD for the remainder of property tax due on South Main property in the amount of \$519.04. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to pay invoice. Motion approved.

Report from Fire Chief Mike Carsner:

The total number of responses for the month of November 2025 was **373**.

	Total Calls		In District	Out of District
Fire Calls	130		5 Minutes	13 Minutes
EMS Cal	243		7 Minutes	8 Minutes

EMS Responses	Transports	Non-Transports	No Medical / No Patient	Life Flights
	110	85	36	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 May 2026 from the Property Tax account was made. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$122,417.98 for EMS Payroll 2 (two) paydays March 2026 from Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$39,405.02 for Part-Time Firefighter Payroll 2 (two) paydays for March 2026 from the Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Jerry Ickes, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$8,791.58 for Firefighter Incentives for March 2026 was made from the Sales and Use account. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$6,795.23 to pay EMS Personnel Health Insurance to reimburse the Fire Department for Insurance Premium from Sales and Use account for March 2026. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$22,877.43 to pay for EMS Supplies for March 2026 from Sales and Use account. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve these funds. Motion approved.

New Business:

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

No Action

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

Information from Equitable Retirement

No Action

- To review and take any action regarding real estate, including sale, purchase, lease platting, utilities, encumbrances, maintenance, and legal actions related to real estate.

No Action

- 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.

Committee Members: Johnny Gaeke, Jerry Ickes & Chief Carsner

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 775.0735

No Action

- To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 551.071 to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters which require confidentiality under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas.

No Action

- To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 551.072 to deliberate regarding real estate matters.

No Action

- To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 551.076 to deliberate regarding security devices or security audits.

No Action

- To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 551.0761 to deliberate regarding critical infrastructure and cybersecurity matters.

No Action

Next meeting will be May 18, 2026, at 12:00 PM at Fire Station 27.

Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to adjourn. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.

Jerry W. Ickes