

Harris County Emergency Services District No. 14

August 25, 2025 Minutes

The August meeting of H.C.E.S.D. #14 was called to order at 12:00 PM on August 25, 2025, by President Jim Strouhal. Members present were Jim Strouhal, Johnny Gaeke, Elaine Marshall 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 July 2025 Meeting were presented. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Johnny Gaeke and 2nd by Elaine Marshall. Motion approved.

Correspondence received:

- Electronic Report of present and past correction rolls from H.C. Tax-Assessor Collector
- Woodforest National Bank account statement dated July 31, 2025
- Woodforest National Bank Pledge Report July 31, 2025
- Texas Controller of Public Accounts Special Purpose District Sales and Use Tax Allocation Summary ending 8/ /25: \$202,788
- VFIS safety poster
- Receipt for P.O. Box annual rent.
- Letter of approval of Records retention from State Archive Commission.

Review and act on District financial matters, including:

- Monthly financial reports from San Jacinto Tax Service.

Woodforest National Bank account statement ending July 31, 2025.

Bank Account	\$1,591,944.44
Investments	\$2,606,835.47
Total Balance	\$4,198,779.91

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

- Monthly report from Investment Officer and action on Investments. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve monthly Investment Officer. Motion approved
- Payment of bills and invoices.

Invoice from San Jacinto Tax Service for June expenses. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to pay invoice in amount of \$598.12. Motion approved.

Invoice from EHCEC for dispatch services for July 2025. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to pay \$8,930.00 from Sales and Use Tax account. Motion approved.

Invoice from Coveler & Peeler for June 2025 Legal Services. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to pay the invoice in the amount of \$3,785.50. Motion approved.

Invoice from Clicktunity for monthly website management in the amount of \$149.00. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve. Motion approved

Invoice from Star Courier for Tax Rate Notice in the paper and Publisher Affidavits in the amount of \$1,465.00. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve. Motion approved

Invoice from HCAD for 4th Quarter assessment in the amount of \$1,378.00. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve. Motion approved

Expense invoice from Jerry Ickes for Fire Department Facilities Conference in Denton, TX. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to reimburse \$1,024.03. Motion approved

Report from Fire Chief Mike Carsner:

The total number of responses for the month of August 2025 was **360**.

	Total Calls		In District	Out of District
Fire Calls	114		5 Minutes	11 Minutes

EMS Cal	246		6 Minutes	8 Minutes
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EMS Responses	Transports	Non-Transports	No Medical / No Patient	Life Flights
	141	56	34	1

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 September 2025 from the Property Tax account was made. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$115,259.42 for EMS Payroll 2 (two) paydays July 2025 from Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$42,277.48 for Firefighter Payroll 2 (two) paydays for July 2025 from the Sales and Use account was made. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$11,938.96 for Firefighter Incentives for July 2025 was made from the Sales and Use account. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$8,843.48 to pay EMS Personnel Health Insurance to reimburse the Fire Department for Insurance Premium for July 2025. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$11,938.96 to pay for EMS Supplies for July 2025 from Sales and Use account. Motion by Elaine Marshall, 2nd by Johnny Gaeke to approve these funds. Motion approved.
- A request for \$49,638.87 to reimbursement the Department for Zoll Vents and accessories Supplies from Sales and Use account. Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Elaine Marshall to approve these funds. Motion approved

New Business:

- Meeting in closed Session under Gov't Code 551.071 to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters which require confidentiality under Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas. and Tax Code 322.3022 to discuss sales tax matters

No action

- To meet in Closed Session under Gov't Code 551.072 to deliberate on real estate matters.

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.

Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to authorize Vice Chairman Mark Taylor to work with Counsel to negotiate with St. Jude Catholic Church to allow Church to use property on South Main for parking at their annual Bazaar in Late September 2025. Motion approved 3 For / 0 Against / 1 Abstained (Jim Strouhal)

- 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.

No action

- To review and act regarding HCESD#14 facilities, including construction, maintenance, repairs, and utilities.

Received report from Chief Carsner on condition at Station 17. Discussed immediate actions that need to take place. Chief to work with his Board and then come to District for possible reimbursement.

- To receive a presentation from HVFD regarding FY 2026 HVFD Budget and funding request to the District.

No action

Next meeting will be September 25, 2025, at 12:00 PM at Fire Station 27.

Motion by Johnny Gaeke, 2nd by Jerry Ickes to adjourn. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1:40 PM.

Jerry W. Ickes