

Waller-Harris Emergency Service District 200

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The Board of Commissioners of Waller-Harris Emergency Services District 200 (*the District*) met in a meeting, open to the public, at WHESD200 Station 81/District Administration Building located at 540 Ellen Powell, Prairie View, Texas 77455 on August 19, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

Commissioners

Brenda Bundick Present
Ann Saunders Present
Melinda Hashaw Present

Sherry Whiteley Present-arrived at 5:38 P.M.

Brian Davis Present

Also present, Acting Fire Chief Will McDugle, Assistant Chief James Jones, Division Chief Joseph Nguyen, and Administrative Director Lisa Denecamp.

- 1. Call meeting to order. The meeting was called to order by President Bundick at 5:30 P.M.
- 2. To receive public comment and conduct the public hearing/open forum to allow interested parties to address the Board of Commissioners and be heard regarding the proposed tax rate setting. There were no public comments. President Bundick asked if anyone signed up for Public Comments. There were no public comments.
- 3. To conclude the public hearing. The public hearing regarding the proposed tax rate was concluded at 5:32 P.M.
- **4.** To consider and adopt the District 2026 Budget. Chief McDugle presented the Board with the proposed Budget and informed the Board that no changes were made from the approved proposed budget at the July 15, 2025 meeting. Commissioner Saunders made a motion seconded by Commissioner Hashaw to approve adopted budget as presented. After discussion, President Bundick called for a vote and the vote passed 3-0 with Commissioner Bundick abstaining.
- 5. To adopt the District 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations. Commissioner Whiteley made a motion seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve by resolution the 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operations at \$0.079984/\$100. After discussion, President Bundick called for a vote and the vote passed 4-0 with Commissioner Bundick abstaining.
- 6. <u>To adopt the District 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service</u>. Commissioner Davis made a motion seconded by Commissioner Whiteley to approve by resolution the 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Debt Service at \$0.020016/\$100. After discussion, President Bundick called for a vote and the vote passed 4-0 with Commissioner Bundick abstaining.
- 7. To adopt the District 2025 total Ad Valorem Tax Rate. Commissioner Hashaw made a motion seconded by Commissioner Saunders I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.100000, which is effectively a 1.82 percent increase in the tax rate. After discussion, President Bundick called for a vote and the vote passed 4-0 with Commissioner Bundick abstaining.
- 8. To review and take action on matters relating to an election to be held on November 4, 2025. Legal counsel informed the Board that the rate the District adopted did not result in an automatic election and therefore an election was not needed and could be canceled for mootness under Texas Election Code §2.081. Commissioner Davis made a motion seconded by Commissioner Saunders to cancel the November 4, 2025 Tax Approval Rate Election due to mootness. After discussion, President Bundick called for a vote and the vote passed 4-0 with Commissioner Bundick abstaining.

9. <u>Adjournment.</u> President Bundick asked if there was any further business that needed to be discussed. There being no further business, President Bundick adjourned the meeting at 5:42 P.M.
These minutes were adopted on Sept 16, 2025 by a vote of 3 to 0
Melinda Hashaw – Secretary