

KAUFMAN COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7

Minutes

August 18, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Kaufman County Emergency Services District No. 7 was held **on Monday, August 18, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.**, at the Crandall Fire Department, 106 East Trunk Street, Crandall, Texas 75114.

1. Call meeting to order:
 - a. Commissioner Ashley Hunsaker called the meeting to order at 6:31p.m. with the following members present:
 - Commissioner Ashley Hunsaker
 - Commissioner Joseph Reese
 - Commissioner Kevin Johnson
 - Commissioner Oliver Rawls
 - Commissioner Melissa Smith
 - Others: Firemen Chandler Myers, Darrell Jackson (public)
 - b. The following attended via phone: None.
2. Public Comment: No public comment
3. Public Comment on Agenda Items: No public comment on the agenda items.

Reports

Discussion/Action Items

4. Conduct Public Hearing on Petition for Inclusion of Land;
5. Discuss and consider Resolution Approving Annexation of Territory Identified in Petition for Inclusion of Land and take associated action;
 - a. The board discussed the Resolution Approving Annexation of Territory Identified in Petition for Inclusion of Land, Commissioner Rawls moved to approve the resolution ; Commissioner Smith seconded. The motion carried.
6. **See Supplemental Agenda For Election Items.**
 - a. The Board discussed the Order. Commissioner Reese moved to approve the Order Calling Election regarding Annexation of Territory Identified in Petition for Inclusion of Land for November 4, 2025; Commissioner Smith second the motion The motion carried.
 - b. The Board discussed the Order. Commissioner Rawls moved to approve the Order Adopting and Implementing the Use of Voting Systems in Addition to Paper Ballots in District Elections; seconded by Commissioner Johnson, the motion carried.
 - c. The Board discussed the contract, resolution, and agreement regarding the annexation election. Commissioner Reese moved to approve the Contract for Election Services and Joint Election Agreement, including Resolution Approving Contract for Election Services and Joint Election Agreement, Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.
 - d. Commissioner Johnson moved to authorize District's attorney to give Notice of Election for November 4, 2025 and any other matters in connection with the District's November 4, 2025, Election. Commissioner Smith seconded, The motion carried.

7. Consider taking action regarding budget for fiscal year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026.
 - a. Commissioner Rawls moved to to approve the FY26 budget, Commissioner Reese seconded the motion. The motion carried.
8. Conduct a public hearing on proposal to increase property taxes;
 - a. No one was in attendance to make comments.
9. Take a record vote on the District's 2025 tax rate, adopt an Order Levying Taxes, authorize filing the Order with the County Tax Assessor/Collector; and
 - a. The Board took a vote in the District's 2025 tax rate, adopt an Order Levying Taxes, authorize filing the Order with the County Tax Assessor/Collector; Commissioner Rawls moved to propose that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.088000, which is effectively a 1.66% increase in the tax rate; Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried
10. Acknowledge and approve posting of the statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of District website; OR
 - a. The Board acknowledged and approved posting of the statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of District website; Commissioner Rawls moved to approve the posting; Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried.
11. Announce the date, time and place of the meeting to vote on the tax rate;
 - a. The date for meeting to vote on the tax rate was for today's meeting, August 18, 2025.
 - b. The date and time of the meeting for the next regular meeting will be September 8, 2025 at 5pm.
 - c. The board will need to look at dates for Touchstone to come out and speak with the board and fire department.

ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 6:42pm


Ashley Hunsaker, Board President