

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 80

The Commissioners of the **HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 80** held a meeting on **March 23, 2026**, at **6:30 p.m.**, at the following location in the District: **Crosby Fire Station No. 2, 123 S. Diamondhead Boulevard, Crosby, Texas 77532.**

The District considered and acted upon the following matters:

1. Call meeting to order.

Raymond St. Julian called the meeting to order at 6:39 PM. Commissioners attending the meeting were Raymond St. Julian, Derek Elkins, Buddy Brewer, Chuck Murray, and Randy Foster. District legal counsel Krystine Ramon attended the meeting via phone. Also attending were District Administrative Assistant Stacey Ponder, District Bookkeeper Kim Russell of Myrtle Cruz, and officers of the Crosby Volunteer Fire Department.

2. To receive public comment.

There were no public comments.

3. To receive a proposal from EVO and take action.

The EVO proposal was tabled. No action was taken.

4. To approve minutes of prior meetings.

February 23, 2026, Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Derek Elkins made a motion to approve February 23, 2026, Meeting Minutes. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 1

5. To review and act on financial matters, including Financial Report, investments, Investment Policy, audits, depository institutions and bills.

The Financial Report was reviewed. Randy Foster made a motion to approve the Financial Report and approve the payment of the invoices presented at the meeting. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 2

6. To review and take action on granting exemptions for 2026.

There was a discussion about increasing the over 65 years old and the disability exemptions from the 2025 exemptions of \$50,000 for each to \$75,000.00 for each exemption. The loss of property tax revenue based on the current over 65 years old and disability accounts would be a minimal amount. Derek Eklins made a motion to approve the following exemptions :

- over 65 \$75,000.00

-disability 75,000.00.

-Homestead 20%

Raymond St. Julian seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 3

7. To pay Crosby Volunteer Fire Department (“VFD”) operations funding under fire suppression agreement.

The operation payment was paid via wire transfer.

8. To review, discuss and take action on reports from the Crosby Volunteer Fire Department, including the Crosby Stipend Program and any revisions to the budget.

The District received the monthly reports. No action was taken.

Attachment 4

9. To review, discuss and act on revisions to District budget(s).

No action was taken.

10. To review and act regarding capital acquisitions, including purchase of fire fighting vehicles/apparatus and implementation of long-range capital acquisition plan.

The 2 staff trucks should be completed in mid-April. The booster trucks are about to start production.

11. To review and act on Texas Emergency Services Retirement System matters.

No action was taken.

12. To review and act on interlocal agreement(s) regarding traffic preemption or other emergency services projects and to take any action necessary for same.

No action was taken.

13. To review, discuss and take action on proposal to demolish house on Dallas property.

The propane was reclaimed from the propane tank at the Dallas Road property.

Two quotes were presented for the demolition of the house located on the Dallas Road property. Dynamo submitted a quote of \$31,100.00 and Richard's Trucking Company Inc & Demolition quoted \$8,250.00.

Buddy Brewer made a motion to approve the quote from Richard's Trucking Inc & Demolition in an amount not to exceed \$16,500.00. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 5

14. To review and act on the disposition of surplus/salvage property pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Codes 775.0735.

No action was taken.

15. To review and act on facilities, including construction, renovations, or repairs, including review of District and Department needs, construction delivery methods, future stations and selection of architect and/or design professionals.

A quote was presented from Triple R Landscaping & Services in the amount of \$5,900.00 to cut down 2 trees and clearing work at Station #1.

Buddy Brewer made a motion to accept the quote as presented in the amount of \$5,900.00. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

There was a discussion about the availability of natural gas and a water supply from an area MUD. Natural gas is available. The closest CenterPoint NG line is about 1200 feet. There are 4 MUD's in the area that might be able to supply water to the Dallas Road property:

MUD 58 Indian Shores

MUD 525 Sundance Cove

MUD 544 Indian Springs

MUD 578 Synovo

There was a discussion about hiring a consultant to do a feasibility study concerning getting water to the future station. The closest water line is about 4000 feet.

16. To review and act on repairs and expenses for District and VFD equipment and vehicles.
Annual testing for the aerial apparatus, ladders and hoses was completed last month. The aerial unit passed certification, while one 24-foot extension ladder and several older hoses failed inspection. Quotes will be obtained for the replacement of the failed items.
A justification and quote in the amount of \$6,798.03 was presented for the purchase of 4 SCB cylinders to serve as spare bottles for the Enforcer Foam units that will be used for wildland and brush fire suppression on Crosby Fire UTVs. Chuck Murray made a motion to accept the quote as presented in the amount of \$6,798.03. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 6

17. To review and act on communications, dispatch, and mutual aid.
No action was taken.
18. To review and act on any matters related to computers, Information Technology and security system improvements, including software and equipment related to communications, dispatch, mutual aid, and the management of emergency responses and emergency resources.
No action was taken.
19. To review and act on sales tax matters.
The sales tax chart was reviewed. No action was taken.
20. To review and take action on approval of expenses related to upcoming training classes, course materials, equipment and related expenditures to be incurred by the District.
Mr. Foster made a motion to approve expenses for the commissioners that plan on attending the Texas Fire Department Facilities Conference in the Woodlands on July 29 - July 31, 2026. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.
21. To review and act on personnel matters, including policies, scheduling, evaluations, benefits including insurance, duties, compensation, hiring, and retention of District employees, including district administrative staff.
No action was taken.

22. To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.071, §551.072, §551.074, and §551.076 to consult with legal counsel, regarding security devices or audits, personnel matters, real estate and Tax Code §323.3022 to review sales tax information.

A closed session was conducted. The closed session started at 7:04 PM and ended at 7:28 PM.

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

No action was taken.

24. To review, discuss and take action regarding scheduling the April 2026 meeting.

The next meeting will be held on April 27, 2026.

25. Adjournment.

Chuck Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.