

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 **May 19, 2025**, 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 6:37 PM. Commissioners attending the meeting were Raymond St. Julian, Derek Elkins, Buddy Brewer, Chuck Murray, and Randy Foster. Also attending the meeting were District legal counsel Krystine Ramon, 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 approve minutes of prior meetings.

The April 28, 2025, Meeting Minutes were reviewed. Derek Elkins made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 1

4. 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 as presented and approve payment of the invoices presented at the meeting. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 2

5. To designate the Harris County Tax Assessor-Collector's Office to prepare the District's No New Revenue Tax Rate and related tax rate calculations for 2025, and to authorize District counsel to publish the necessary 2025 Tax Rate setting notices.

Randy Foster made a motion to designate Harris County Tax Assessor- Collector's office to prepare the District's No New Revenue Tax Rate and related tax rate calculations for 2025, and to authorize District counsel to publish the necessary 2025 Tax Rate setting notices. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 3

6. To approve a resolution to ratify on ongoing engagement of delinquent tax collection counsel and to impose penalties under Tax Code sections 33.07, 33.08 and 33.11 to fund delinquent tax collection legal fees.

No action was taken.

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

The operations payment was paid via wire transfer. No action was taken.

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 monthly reports were received. Randy Foster made a motion to approve the 2nd quarter Stipend payment of \$81,087.79. The motion was seconded by Buddy Brewer.

Attachment 4

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

The budget was reviewed. 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.

A justification letter/quote was presented for training equipment called the Lion/Bullex 20# DryChem BullsEye Laser from North American Fire Group in the amount of \$2,094.25. Derek Elkins made a motion to approve the purchase of the Lion/Bullex in the amount of \$2,094.25. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

A justification letter/quote was presented for a Water Based Smoke Generator for the Inflatable Fire Safety House in the amount of \$600.54 from Inflatable Images. Chuck Murray made a motion to approve the quote as presented for the generator in the amount of \$600.54. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 5

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.

New vehicular equipment installation is scheduled for mid June. No action was taken.

13. To review and act on the disposition of surplus/salvage property.

No action was taken.

14. 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.

The Station 2 fire alarm system was “Yellow Tagged” due to a faulty voice announcement board.

A quote was presented from American Fire Protection Group in the amount of \$43,957.00 to replace the alarm panel at Station 2. Chuck Murray made a motion to approve the quote in the amount of \$43,957.00 as presented. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Cameron Ellis gave an update on the maintenance facility.

Mr. Foster made a motion to approve the payout of Axis in the amount of \$3,389.00. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Buddy Brewer made a motion to proceed with construction design drawings for future new Station No 5 with Joiner. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 6

15. To review and act on repairs and expenses for District and VFD equipment and vehicles.

A justification/quote was presented from Triad Marine & Industrial Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$10,008.00 for two Tahatsu MF530DL outboard motors for the two Zodiac inflatable boats. Chuck Murray made a motion to approve the quote as presented in the amount of \$10,008.00 for the outboard motors. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Tower 82 has been taken “Out of Service” because there is a hydraulic leak.

Attachment 7

16. To review and act on communications, dispatch, and mutual aid.

No action was taken.

17. 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.

The two new computers for the maintenance facility have been installed. A meeting with Full Bay has been scheduled.

18. To review and act on sales tax matters.

Sales tax was reviewed. No action was taken.

19. 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.

No action was taken.

20. 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.

21. 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.

The Board did not meet in Closed Session.

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

Discussion was made regarding using a realtor to assist in locating property for the future Station No. 3. Chuck Murray made a motion to use a realtor to assist with finding property for future Station No 3. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

23. To review, discuss and take action regarding scheduling the June 2025 meeting.

The June meeting will be held on June 23, 2025.

24. Adjournment.

Derek Elkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 PM. The motion was seconded by Chuck Murray. The motion was approved.