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 **July 27, 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 6:40 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 was no public comment.

3. To propose the District 2027 Budget.

   A discussion was held regarding the District's proposed 2027 budget. The District has received the updated evaluations, and the 2027 budget is scheduled for adoption at the August meeting.

   Attachment 1

4. To propose the District 2026 Tax Rate.

   Mr. Foster made a motion to adopt the proposed tax rate of $0.05 per $100.00 of property valuation. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

5. To schedule a public hearing regarding the District's 2026 tax rate and the date of the meeting to adopt.

   Derek Elkins made a motion to schedule the public hearing for August 24, 2026, at 6:30 PM. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

6. To approve minutes of prior meetings.

   Chuck Murray made a motion to approve the June 22, 2026, meeting minutes. Derek Elkins seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 2

7. 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 payment of the invoices presented at the meeting. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 3

8. To review and take action on contract from Myrtle Cruz.

   The contract is pending final review by District legal counsel. No action was taken.

9. To pay Crosby Volunteer Fire Department ("VFD") operations funding under fire suppression agreement.

   The operations payment was made via wire transfer.

10. 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. No action was taken.

Attachment 4

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

    No action was taken.

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

    No action was taken.

13. 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.

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

Randy Foster made a motion to declare the old office chairs at Station 2 as salvage and the chairs be disposed of in the dumpster. Buddy Brewer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 4/0, with Chuck Murray abstaining from the vote.

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 for dirt work from Robert Rodriguez in the amount of $950.00. The work includes leveling and smoothing the uneven ground at station 2. Cameron Ellis is in contact with the owner of the car wash to determine whether the owner will address and level the disturbed area resulting from the construction of his car wash. No action was taken.

A discussion was held regarding electrical surges at the maintenance facility that are causing the large shop fan to trip. The possibility of installing a line reactor to help protect the equipment and prevent further interruptions is being evaluated. This solution would result in an additional cost. The issue is still being evaluated, and additional information is being gathered to determine the appropriate solution.

The Dallas Road property demolition has been completed. The septic system has been removed.

Derek Elkins made a motion, pending legal review, to allow the Scout Troop 1264 to utilize the training room at Station 2. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Attachment 5

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

No action was taken.

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.

    No action was taken.

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.

    Derek Elkins made a motion to approve a 6% pay increase for District Administrative Assistant Stacey Ponder, retroactive to July 1, 2026. Chuck Murray seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

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 7:44 PM and ended at 8:40 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 August 2026 meeting.

    The next meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2026.

25. Adjournment.

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