HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 50

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Commissioners May 5, 2025

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 50 ("District") met on May 5, 2025 at 1210 Dell Dale, Channelview, Texas, in accordance with the duly posted notice of the meeting, with a quorum present, as follows:

Jim Owens, President
Michael Burr, Vice President
Brenda Biggers, Secretary
Robert Ballew, Treasurer
Alma Cedillo, Asst. Secretary/Asst. Treasurer

And the following absent:

None.

Also present were Mr. Jimmy Sumbera, Chief Ryan Thistle, Bob Ideus, and Mr. Wm. Scott Smith.

The meeting was called to order and declared open for such business as might regularly come before it.

- 1. The Board opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was presented.
- 2. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the April 7, and April 21, 2025 meetings.
- 3. The Board reviewed the tax assessor-collector's report indicating that 2024 property taxes were 96% collected as of March 31. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the tax assessor-collector's report and the checks drawn on the tax fund.
- 4. Mr. Ideus presented the bookkeeper's report. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the bookkeeper's report and the checks listed thereon.
- 5. Mr. Sumbera presented the administrator's report noting that there were 1,386 EMS incidents billed year-to-date. One paramedic has resigned during the prior month. One new ambulance has been placed in service. Mr. Sumbera noted that he is working on the completion of the District's audit.

- 6. Commissioner Owens entered the meeting.
- 7. The Board considered engaging attorneys to represent the District with respect to unreimbursed EMS care to be received from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. Mr. Sumbera and Mr. Smith described the scope of representation and the expertise of Norton Rose Fulbright in this regard. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved engaging Norton Rose Fulbright to represent the District with respect to the unreimbursed care matter.
- Volunteer Fire Department, Inc., the fire department had certain funds remaining. Under the Internal Revenue Service regulations, the remaining funds may be transferred to another 501(c)3 organization upon dissolution of the fire department. Mr. Sumbera noted that the District has held these funds in trust pending the determination of a suitable organization to whom to transfer the funds. The Board noted that Air Alliance Houston is a 501(c)3 corporation and would be willing to receive the funds from the former volunteer fire department organization. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the transfer of \$35,933.21 representing the remaining balance of the volunteer fire department funds to Air Alliance Houston, Inc.
- 9. The Board reviewed the dispatch center report, noting that there were 4,801 calls during the month of March with a 99.2% NFPA compliance rate.
- calls for EMS service, including one mutual aid call into the District. There were 115 fire suppression calls during the prior month. Chief Thistle noted that two new firefighters have been hired. The Board also noted that the department completed several public relations events and a site visit to the Cargill plant.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Carretor