

**MINUTES OF THE MAY 29, 2025, MEETING OF
MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7**

A Meeting was duly called of **MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7**, on **May 29, 2025**, at the New Caney Fire Station, 19870 FM 1485 West, New Caney, Texas, 77357.

1. Call to order, roll call, and pledge of allegiance, invocation and welcome guests.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by **JAN PETERSON**, District President. Those Commissioners present when the meeting commenced were **JAN PETERTSON, JACQUELINE VAT, WESLEY SWANSON** and **WANDA JAMES**. **TJ KNOX** was unable to attend. Chief Howard Rinewalt and members of his staff were also in attendance. Nick Stander with Stander & Company, the District's bookkeeper and David Manley, the District's General Counsel, were also in attendance.

2. To receive public comment.

The Board opened the floor for public comment. None was received.

3. To review and act on financial matters, including audit, report from the District bookkeeper and Treasurer, to pay bills, determine investments, financial institutions/depositories, security agreements, investment policy, District debt and required reports, sales tax related items.

Mr. Stander presented the financial report. A Motion was made by Commissioner **SWANSON**, seconded by Commissioner **VAT** to approve the Financial Report and pay the District's bills as presented. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

4. To designate the Montgomery 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 counsel to publish necessary tax rate setting notices.

A Motion was made by Commissioner **SWANSON**, seconded by Commissioner **VAT** to designate the Montgomery 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 counsel to publish necessary tax rate setting notices. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

5. 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.

A Motion was made by Commissioner **VAT**, seconded by Commissioner **SWANSON** 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. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

6. To approve the minutes of prior meetings.

A Motion was made by Commissioner VAT, seconded by Commissioner JAMES to approve prior minutes as presented. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

7. To review and act on items related to construction, improvements, repairs, and renovations of District facilities.

Chief Rinewalt provided the Board with an update on the repairs necessary for Station 154. A Motion was made by Commissioner SWANSON, seconded by Commissioner JAMES that an emergency be declared in that the facility is currently inhabitable for the firefighters, and that rapid reconstruction was necessary, and to authorize engagement of Grossman Design and Build to make the necessary repairs. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

8. To review and act on disposition of surplus and/or salvage property.

No action.

9. To review and act to acquire technology, equipment and vehicles, including financing.

Legal counsel will work with the County Commissioner's office to prepare an interlocal agreement for the purchase and use of a Bulldozer. No action.

10. To review and act regarding real estate, including sale, purchase, financing, lease, platting, utilities, encumbrances and legal actions related to real estate.

No action.

11. To receive a report on Fire Department operations and activities, including action to approve expenses related to equipment and training, and proposed personnel policies and benefits.

Chief Rinewalt and his staff provided a summary of the Department's activities. No action necessary.

12. To review, discuss and act on matters related to providing services outside the District's territorial jurisdiction.

A Motion was made by Commissioner VAT, seconded by Commissioner JAMES, effective December 31, 2025, The District will discontinue providing services to areas outside of the District's current jurisdiction territory without an interlocal agreement or

service contract in place. After review and discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

- 13. To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.071 to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters which require confidentiality under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas and Tax Code §323.3022 to discuss sales tax matters.**

No action taken.

- 14. To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.072 to deliberate regarding real estate matters.**

No action taken.

- 15. To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.074 to discuss personnel matters.**

The Board went into closed session at 1:50 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. The Board came out of closed session at 2:08 p.m.

- 16. To review and act on items discussed in closed session.**

No action taken.

- 17. Review, discuss and act to confirm future meetings.**

The next meeting will be June 26, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

- 18. Adjournment.**

There being no further business brought before the Board, Commissioner VAT made a motion, seconded by Commissioner SWANSON, to adjourn. The Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 and the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.



JACQUELINE VAT
District Secretary