

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #8 BOARD MEETING

August 6, 2025

Misty Perinne, Vice President Shawn Lafferty, Asst Treasurer Jeff Windham, Secretary

Guests Present: Chief Koteras, Chief Moore

Commissioner Perinne called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm at 27900 Robinson Road.

Receive public comments:

None

Presentation of Recognitions, Certificates for Promotions and Appointments:

None

Consider and approve the Minutes from the prior meeting(s):

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve the minutes from the July 16<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on financial matters including financial report, investments, depository institutions, depository security agreements, audits, Investment Policy, District bills, access to investment accounts and designation of bookkeeping and accounting duties and services:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve payment of accounts. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the renewal contract from Big Papa Joe's for the aerobic septic system service for Station 11-5:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve the contract renewal with Big Papa Joe's for aerobic septic system service for Station 11-5. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the equipment lease agreement from PEAC Solutions for the copier at Station 11-3 Administration:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve the equipment lease agreement from PEAC Solutions for the copier at Station 11-3 Administration. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the annual Worker's Compensation Policy for the Department from Texas Mutual:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve renewal of the Department's annual Worker's Compensation Policy with Texas Mutual. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the purchase of the Community Risk Reduction trailer from Texas Trailer Country:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve the purchase of a Community Risk Reduction trailer from Texas Trailer Country at a cost not to exceed \$11,000. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the renewal contract for the stamp machine from Pitney Bowes:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to approve the renewal contract for the postage meter from Pitney Bowes. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

To review and act on the MOU with the Texas A&M Forest Service:

Item tabled

To review and act on the 2025-2026 District Budget:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to propose the District Budget as presented. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

Discuss and act on proposing the District's 2025 ad valorem tax rate:

Commissioner Lafferty made a motion to propose the De Minimus rate of \$0.0937/\$100 valuation as the District's 2025 ad valorem tax rate, with \$.0069 of that being designated for debt service. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

<u>Discuss and act on scheduling a public hearing regarding the District's 2025 ad valorem tax rate and date of meeting to adopt:</u>

Commissioner Lafferty made a motion to approve a public hearing date of August 20, 2025, at 5:30 pm and a date of August 20, 2025, at 5:45 pm to approve the proposed tax rate. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote.

Review and act on matters relating to calling an election to be held on November 4, 2025:

- a. Approve an Order calling for an election under Texas Tax Code Section 26.07.
- b. To review and act to hold an election jointly with other jurisdictions.
- c. To review and act to contract with Montgomery County Elections Office for election services.
- d. To consider and act on Orders, Resolutions, and related matters as required or appropriate to call for the District election

No action is necessary on this item as the proposed tax rate does not trigger an election requirement.

Receive report from the District's Fire Chief:

Chief Koteras provided the report.

Receive and act on report from the Construction Committee:

Chief Moore provided an update on the Training and Maintenance Facility Project.

Adjourn Open Session:

The Open Session did not adjourn

Reconvene in Open Session:

N/A

Review and act on personnel matters:

None

Review and Act on Real Estate Matters, including sale, purchase, lease, and to authorize execution of necessary documents for same:

None

Consider Agenda items for future meetings:

Texas A&M Forest Service MOU

Adjournment:

Commissioner Lafferty motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Windham seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Approved By:

President, Justin Hill

Secretary, Jeff Windham

