

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 13, 2024 MEETING OF THE
HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100**

A Meeting was duly called of the Board of Commissioners of **HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100**, which was held, **August 13, 2024**, at the offices of the District's Communication Center, **21728 Beechnut, Richmond, Texas 77407**.

The District considered and acted upon the following matters:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Dale Terry, Board President, who announced that a quorum was present. Those Commissioners present were: **DALE TERRY, STEVE FOWLER, MARY BLONDELL, KEN ARRINGTON** and **JEFF JERNBERG**. Also, in attendance was **Ryan McKnight**, Director of WestCom, **Dennis Maldonado**, District IT Director, **Michael Ngyen**, IT Manager, Bianca Espinosa, with RIT HR, **Katie Norris** with RIT Financial, **Joseph Ellis** with McCall Gibson and **David Manley** of Coveler & Peeler, P.C., the District's legal counsel.

The Board proceeded to address the following:

2. To receive public comment.

None.

3. To receive, review and take action on 2023 Audit

A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **FOWLER** to approve the audit report as presented. After discussion, the Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

4. To review and approve minutes for prior meetings.

A Motion was made by Mr. **JERNBERG**, seconded by Ms. **BLONDELL**, to approve the prior meeting minutes as presented. Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

5. To review, discuss and act on the Treasurer's Financial Report, payment of District operating bills, payment of budgeted capital expenses and payment of operations funding pursuant to the service agreement with the Department, audit, and to review, discuss and act on District Investments and any necessary banking authorizations and pledge agreements.

Ms. Norris provided a report on the District's financials and presented the invoices to be paid. A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **JERNBERG** to approve the report and pay the bills as presented. After discussion, the motion was passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

6. To review, discuss and act on acquisitions or needed repairs to the District's equipment, vehicles or apparatus.

No Action.

7. **To review, discuss and act on needed improvements or repairs to the District's stations or related facilities.**

No Action.

8. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to the operation of dispatch center.**

Mr. McKnight reviewed significant events related to the operations of the dispatch center. A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **FOWLER**, to approve the operations report as presented. After discussion, the motion was passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

9. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to current and future construction projects.**

No action.

10. **11. To review and act on matters related to District website, social media and public education.**

A Motion was made by Mr. **TERRY**, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON** to approve up to \$15,000 for the Katy Safety Fest. After review and discussion, the motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

12. **To review and discuss District policies and procedures related to District Owned vehicles.**

No action taken.

The Board addressed items 13 through 15 and went into closed session at 7:53 p.m.

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.**
14. **To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.072 to deliberate regarding real estate matters.**
15. **To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.074 to discuss personnel matters.**

The Board came out of executive session at 9:20 p.m.

17. To take action on matters discussed in closed session.

A Motion was made by Mr. **TERRY**, seconded by Ms. **BLONDELL**, to proceed with the personnel actions discussed in closed session. Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0


18. Adjournment.

There being no further business brought before the Board, and no objection made to concluding the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were passed and approved by the District Board of Commissioners on September 17, 2024.

HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100

By:



KEN ARRINGTON
Secretary of the Board