

# Southwest Leon Co. Emergency Services District No. 2

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2025

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1. Hank Dembosky called the meeting to order at 6pm.
  2. Hank Dembosky led the Board in prayer.
  3. Hank Dembosky led the Board in the pledges of allegiance.
  4. Guests (4) are noted on the attached sign-in sheet. Commissioners in attendance: President Hank Dembosky; Vice-President Skip Smith; Treasurer Colleen Majoue; and Secretary Judy Bryant. Assistant Treasurer Lori McGuire was absent.
  5. Treasurer's Report:
    - a) Majoue presented four checks for approval (list attached). Smith motioned to approve the checks, and Majoue seconded. Motion carried.
    - b) Majoue reported on September 2025 financials, which was the final month of FY24/25 (report attached). Expenses during FY24/25 were approximately \$2,000 over the approved budget; however, well within expenses vs income for the FY. Bryant motioned to approve, and Smith seconded. Motion carried.
    - c) Sales tax revenue for October 2025 was \$10,676.22 (copy attached). The Comptroller's Office retains close to 2% of sales tax revenue. Majoue will contact the Comptroller's Office to inquire about the retained sales tax revenue. Smith motioned to approve, and Majoue seconded. Motion carried.
    - d) Leon County Tax Appraisal Office determined that ESD #2 will owe \$9,320.14 for 2026, which will be paid in quarterly payments.
    - e) ESD #2 bank accounts are automatically insured up to \$250,000. However, to protect taxpayers' money at no cost to ESD #2, our accounts are also collateralized. Majoue made a motion, and Bryant seconded, for Dembosky to sign the Public Funds Collateral and Pledge Agreement for accounts of \$250,000 or greater. Motion carried. Strategic Planning – The HTL VFD/EMS reported that a workshop was held to evaluate possible capital expenses. Discussions will be ongoing.
  6. The HTL VFD/EMS Financial and Activity Reports (attached) were presented by Sheri Guerra (VFD) and Jennifer Travis (EMS). The monthly performance measures reported are noted in the activity report. Smith motioned to approve the reports, and Majoue seconded. Motion carried.
    - EMS Calls: 20
    - Average Response Time: Medic 1 - 11 mins, 09 secs; Medic 2 – 07 min, 08 secs
    - Average Out-of-Chute Time: 01 mins, 43 secs
    - Fire Training Hours: 16
    - Response Hours: 55
- It was reported that St. Joseph Medical Clinic in Normangee is closing November 1, 2025. Dembosky is concerned the clinic closure could result in increased 911 calls for the following reasons: (1) lack of convenient medical care for local residents; (2) uncertainty of the future of Jewett ambulance service. Guerra reported that (1) the current federal government shutdown does not allow HTL/VFD to log into the FEMA website to review FEMA grant requests; and (2) the current ambulance loan balance is \$151,652.17. Smith motioned to approve the reports, and Majoue seconded. Motion carried.
7. Reports/Updates/Recommendations:
    - a) Pecan Prairie Solar Project – No update from Repsol to ESD No. 2; however, Guerra provided an update. She spoke with Ryan Bowles about vegetation control on the north end of the project and informed him of the current burn ban. He plans to attend the HTL Fire Board Meeting in October. Traffic/vehicle counters are needed on OSR and FM 2289.
    - b) GranSolar Bess Texas 3 Battery Storage Project – No update.
    - c) Emergency Planning, CERT – First deployment was October 19, 2025 to search for a missing elderly man at Hilltop Lakes.

- d) All paperwork requested by our Auditor has been provided and Dembosky will provide to Majoue for official files. Regarding requests from the Leon County Auditor, he stressed that Commissioners are required to have continuing education/training. It's imperative that training certificates are obtained and provided to Bryant for the official files.
- 8. This was covered in a previous Strategic Planning discussion.
- 9. Drivers' licenses, address for utilities, physical delivery address, etc. will all need to be changed/updated.
- 10. Dembosky's and Majoue's commissioner term expire December 31, 2025. They plan to renew for another 2-year term.
- 11. Majoue and Bryant will search the Texas Attorney General's website to ensure a point of contact, email, and physical address for ESD #2 has been established in accordance with the new requirement in the Public Information Act.
- 12. Majoue motioned to approve the September 16, 2025, meeting minutes, and Smith seconded. Motion carried.
- 13. A town hall meeting has been scheduled for November 17, 2025, at 5:30pm in the Training Room for Texas State Representative Angelia Orr to provide a legislative update and to hear from local citizens.
- 14. None.
- 15. None.
- 16. Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 18, 2025, at 6pm.
- 17. At 8:05pm, Majoue motioned to adjourn, and Smith seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Bryant, Secretary

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