

**Southwest Leon Co. Emergency Services District No. 2**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 17, 2026**

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1. Hank Dembosky called the meeting to order at 6pm.
2. Dembosky led the Board in prayer.
3. Dembosky led the Board in the pledges of allegiance.
4. Guests (3) 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 seven checks for approval (list attached). Bryant motioned to approve all checks except check 1035 to VFIS of Texas. Majoue seconded, and the motion carried.
  - b) Majoue reported on January 2026 financials (report attached). Property tax revenue has covered all HTL Fire Department contract expenditures to date. Majoue motioned to approve, and Smith seconded.
  - c) Sales tax revenue for February 2026 was \$5,522.99 (copy attached). Dembosky suggested ESD No. 2 may need to (1) reach out to HdL Companies regarding the significant drop in sales tax revenue the past months and (2) consider setting back \$30,000 in sales tax revenue in the event ESD No. 2 is required to issue a refund to the State. The drop in sales tax revenue is difficult to understand because HTL Post Office reported processing almost 6,000 packages last month, and the law hasn't changed on sales tax revenue being paid based on the location of package deliveries.
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: 25
  - Average Response Time: Medic 1 – 09 mins, 40 secs; Medic 2 – 07 mins, 19 secs
  - Average Out-of-Chute Time: 02 mins, 08 secs
  - Fire Training Hours: 26
  - Response Hours: 72

Guerra reported (1) Extrication equipment cost was \$29,000; however, Texas Forest Service will reimburse HTL/VFD. Training aids were also paid for by Texas Forest Service; (2) Response times for calls during the night are about one minute longer due to emergency personnel changing into uniforms; (3) Electrical repairs were completed on the Fire Training Building; (4) HTL/VFD does well on Workers' Compensation reimbursements; and (5) Payroll is higher due to paid time off (PTO) and staff out on sick leave. Dembosky announced that American Tower Corporation, who owns the large tower at HTL, is in default. HTLVFD/EMS has a financial stake in American Tower Corporation continuing to provide tower rent. ESD No. 2 and HTLVFD/EMS are also concerned about Leon County's ability to purchase land at Hilltop Lakes for a vital communications tower. Guerra said Leon County Commissioner TJ Foley, Precinct 4, sent a proposal to the HTL POA three weeks ago.
7. Reports/Updates/Recommendations:
  - a) Dembosky announced that ESD No. 2 received almost double what we thought we were going to receive from Garland PILOT. This will be discussed at the March meeting.
  - b) All ESD No. 2 Commissioners attended the 2026 SAFE-D Conference in San Antonio. Dembosky announced that all Commissioners will be required to take Cyber Security Training.
  - c) Policies and procedures will be discussed at the March meeting.
  - d) Annual SAM Registration was completed by Dembosky.
  - e) Pecan Prairie Solar Project - Guerra spoke with Fire Chief Steve Risk about the \$500 check received from Repsol for the HTL/VFD golf tournament two years ago. Repsol requires proof of how the funds

- were used. Dembosky had sent an email to Repsol for a project update. Ryan Turner replied that he plans to be at the March meeting.
- f) GranSolar BESS Texas 3 Battery Storage Project – No project update. Dembosky suggested HTL POA contact Gransolar Bess regarding any impact the project may have on Hilltop Lakes. Majoue said that she had previously contacted Gransolar, but she did not receive a response.
  - g) Emergency Planning, CERT – Smith reported (1) the planned social discussed at last month’s meeting will be rescheduled; (2) there will be additional Search & Rescue training; and (3) CERT gained two new members who previously lived in California.
8. Guerra reported that foam insulation will not be used. Further discussion regarding HTL VFW/EMS financial requests was tabled until the March meeting.
  9. Treasurer’s Bond and VFIS Insurance:
    - a) Dembosky met with Leon County Judge Byron Ryder about the statutory requirement for all ESD Treasurers to be covered under a bond. The bond will run concurrently with the term of the appointed Treasurer. Majoue motioned to approve the purchase of a \$100,000 bond at a cost of \$925 for a two-year term. Smith seconded, and the motion carried. Majoue will contact Benny with VFIS to see what is needed to move forward, and McGuire will now include the bond requirement, term, and two-year renewal in policies.
    - b) Crime does not have to be covered in the VFIS Insurance; however, liability and auto coverage are necessary. Smith motioned to include liability and auto coverage in the renewal. Majoue seconded, and the motion carried.
  10. Discussion about adding funds to the Prosperity Bank CD was tabled until the March meeting.
  11. Majoue will prepare the TX CPA Special Purpose District Report for discussion at the March meeting.
  12. Dembosky suggested talking with HdL about contracting for sales tax report and consultation. HdL was represented at the SAFE-D Conference and was offering a free look at their services, so we should take them up on the offer. If they prefer to come to an ESD No. 2 meeting, they can be added to the agenda. Majoue will contact HdL.
  13. There were no items recommended by our Law Firm.
  14. Majoue motioned to approve the January 20, 2026 meeting minutes, and Smith seconded. Motion carried.
  15. Dembosky will talk with M&M about making polo shirts for ESD No. 2 Commissioners. Guerra suggested he talk to Clay Avery to see who makes shirts for SAFE-D. Further discussion was tabled until the March meeting.
  16. Dembosky requested ESD No. 2 Commissioners turn in their SAFE-D continuing education documents to Bryant as soon as possible for filing and sending them to the auditor. Majoue suggested training documents be turned over to McGuire for file maintenance because training is mandated by policies and procedures.
  17. None.
  18. None.
  19. Next meeting will be Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 6pm.
  20. At 7:47pm, Smith motioned to adjourn, and Majoue seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Bryant, Secretary

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