

WALKER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #2
411 FM 1375 E New Waverly, TX 77358

8/07/2025 MEETING MINUTES

Public Notice Meeting

2026-2027 Budget Workshop & Proposed Tax Rate

The WCESD2 Board met in open session in the meeting room of Station 71 with President James Gregory presiding. Present was Commissioners: Thomas Malak and Jane Ellisor. All members were present except for Keith Fitzpatrick and Logan Moore, therefore constituting a quorum. Also, present was Fire Chief Jacob Slott, Assistant Fire Chief Shawn Byler, Deputy Chief Kevin Traylor, District Chief, Josh Slott, Office Manager Andrea Meek and guest Brandon Decker, Precent 4 Commissioner and Bill Dauge, Precent 3 Commissioner of Walker County.

Opening prayer was given by District Chief Josh Slott.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 AM. Commissioner Gregory announced that a quorum was present, and that public notice was given in accordance with the Texas Government Code.

GENERAL ITEMS

On a motion by Commissioner Malak, seconded by Commissioner Ellisor, the minutes for June 05, were approved.

SPECIAL ITEMS

None to report

TREASURERS REPORT

Commissioner Ellisor presented the WCESD2 Treasures report. Motion was made by Commissioner Malak and second by Commissioner Gregory, the board voted unanimously to accept the account balance as presented.

Commissioner Ellisor presented the WCESD2 expense report. Motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and second by Commissioner Malak, the board voted unanimously to accept the expense report as presented.

CHIEF'S REPORT

Chief Slott informed the board there were 813 calls for the month.

Chief Slott presented the NWFD Expense report and account Balance. Motion was made by Commissioner Malak and second by Commissioner Ellisor, the board voted unanimously to accept the Chiefs report as presented.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Ellisor, the board voted unanimously to accept the Chiefs expense report as presented.

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Chief Slott presented the deployment summary report.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Malak; the board voted unanimously to accept the Deployment Summary Report.

Chief Slott notified the board that NWFD is working with an attorney at no cost to the department regarding the apparatus claim with TML.

OLD BUSINESS

None to report

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Slott notified the Board that the ambulance contract between WCESD2 and Walker County had expired. Chief Slott recommended that the Board consider renewing the contract without the load system. Upon a motion made by Commissioner Gregory and seconded by Commissioner Malak, the board voted unanimously to approve WCESD2 entering into a new ambulance contract with Walker County without the load system.

Chief Slott presented WCESD2's proposed 2026-2027 budget to the board. The proposed budget includes a cost-of-living (COLA) increase for all WCESD2 employees. Commissioner Ellisor and Commissioner Malak voted to accept the proposed 2026-2027 budget.

The Board considered the proposed 2026 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for Maintenance and Operation (M&O) of \$0.100000/\$100. Upon a motion by Commissioner Malak and a second by Commissioner Ellisor, the board voted to accept the proposed 2026 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for M&O of \$0.100000/\$100.

A public hearing has been scheduled for August 21, 2026, at 9:00am to adopt the district's 2026 tax rate and the 2026-2027 Budget.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

ADJOURN

Special Called Meeting will be held on August 21, 2026, at 9:00am in the meeting room at NWFD Station 71.

With nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Commissioner Malak and seconded by Commissioner Ellisor to adjourn at 11:01am, the board voted unanimously to accept the next meeting date and motion passed.



Thomas Malak, Vice President / Secretary WCESD#2