**Meeting Minutes -Montgomery County Emergency Services District No. 6**

The Montgomery County Emergency Services District No. 6 Board of Commissioners held its regular meeting at the Porter Fire Station #121, 2350 Loop 494, Porter, Texas 77365 on July 22, 2025 at 12:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President David Miller.

**Commissioners present**: David Miller, Caleb Smith, Terry Barnhill, T.J. Davidson, and Donnie Click.

**Also attending:** Chief Carter Johnson, Assistant Chief Charles Martin, Jessica Black, Eric Gonzalez of Clarity Consulting Corporation, and District Legal Counsel Krystine Ramon of Coveler & Peeler, P.C.

**Commissioners not present:** None

**Public attendees:** Melissa Miller, Randy Johnson and Justin Evans with the Montgomery County Hospital District

* The Board convened and the meeting was called to order by President Miller at 12:26 P.M.
* The Board conducted roll call with a quorum present.
* The Board opened the floor for public comment. There were no public comments.
* The Board next addressed item 3 of the agenda, to approve minutes of prior meetings. Motion by Commissioner Smith and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve the meeting minutes from the June 30, 2025 meeting as presented. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board then addressed item 4 of the agenda: to act on financial reports, investments, and bills. Eric Gonzalez from Clarity Consulting presented to the Board the District’s financial statement. Mr. Gonzalez presented to the Board the District Cash and Investment Report, Pledged Securities Report, First Financial Checking Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial Payroll Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial State Reimbursement Account Cash Flow Report, First Financial CPR PayPal Account Cash Flow Report, Profit and Loss Budget Performance, Montgomery County Monthly Tax Collection Report, Montgomery County Tax Office Deposit Distribution Report, Montgomery County Tax Office Receivables Report, First Financial Sales Tax Account Cash Flow Report, Sales Tax Allocation Report and Sales Tax Revenue Graph. Motion by Commissioner Davidson and second by Commissioner Barnhill to accept the financial report as presented and pay the District bills. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**For more detailed information concerning the District’s financial condition, see the financial reports on file with the District.
* The Board then addressed item 5 of the agenda to propose the District 2026 Budget. Chief Johnson presented the proposed District 2026 Budget. Motion by Commissioner Barnhill and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve the proposed budget of $13,010,136.08 as presented, including a four percent (4%) cost of living adjustment. **After discussion the motion was approved 4 to 0 with Commissioner Click abstaining.**
* The Board next addressed item 6 of the agenda, to propose the District 2025 Tax Rate. Motion by Commissioner Smith and second by Commissioner Click to approve the District 2025 tax rate of $0.10. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.** Motion by Commissioner Smith and second by Commissioner Barnhill to consider and accept excess collections for 2024 debt service and certification for debt service collection rate for 2025/2026. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board then addressed item 7 of the agenda to schedule a public hearing regarding the District’s 2025 tax rate and the date of the meeting to adopt. Motion by Commissioner Barnhill and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve scheduling a public hearing regarding the District’s 2025 tax rate on August 19, 2025 at 12:00 P.M. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 8 of the agenda to review and take action on matters relating to an election to be held on November 4, 2025. No action was taken.
* The Board next addressed item 9 of the agenda, to act on amendments/revisions to District current year budget(s). There were no amendments at this time. No action was taken.
* TheBoard then addressed agenda item 10, to review and act on items related to construction, improvements, repairs, renovations, and equipment purchases for District facilities, including selection/engagement of contractor(s), architectural, testing or other services. Chief Johnson presented an update to the Board regarding Station 125. Chief Johnson informed the Board that there have been some delays with Station 125 due to rain. Chief informed the Board that the MUD had placed a fire hydrant in the wrong area at the Station and it has been moved, with the MUD paying half of the cost. Chief Johnson informed the Board that there will be additional fees for the water line. The project is coming along and there were no significant delays. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed item 11, to review and act on disposition of surplus and/or salvage property. Chief Johnson informed the Board that the District has old monitors to be designated as salvage and donate to Corigan Fire Department. Motion by Commissioner Click and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve designating the old monitors as salvage and donate the old monitors to the Corigan Fire Department. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 12 of the agenda, acquisition and financing of capital equipment and vehicles. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed item 13 of the agenda regarding real estate matters. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed item 14 of the agenda to review, discuss and take any necessary action regarding a meeting with the Montgomery County Hospital District to discuss radio tower location. Melissa Miller, Randy Johnson and Justin Evans with the Montgomery County Hospital District presented to the Board. Mr. Evans informed the Board that the Montgomery County Hospital District is looking to build a new radio tower at Station 121 with the Board’s approval. Mr. Evans said building the tower at Staton 121 would assist with radio coverage in East Montgomery County. Mr. Evans informed the Board that soil samples were taken of Station 121 to see if a radio tower could be built at the Station. Mr. Evans said the Montgomery County Hospital District would need to conduct more research for the radio tower to be built. Motion by Commissioner Barnhill and second by Commissioner Davidson to approve the Montgomery County Hospital District continued research and engineering for a radio tower to be built at Station 121 pending final negotiations with Chief Johnson. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 15, to review, discuss and take action to approve the interlocal agreement with agencies in the Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS).  TIFMAS is a program that facilitates the mobilization of fire and emergency resources across the state of Texas. It allows for the coordinated deployment of personnel and equipment from various fire departments to assist in large-scale emergencies, such as wildfires, hurricanes, and floods.  TIFMAS is maintained by the Texas A&M Forest Service and is a key component of the state's emergency response framework.  Chief Johnson presented an interlocal agreement with TIFMAS. Commissioner Davidson made a motion second by Commissioner Barnhill to approve the interlocal agreement with TIFMAS and authorize Chief Johnson to sign the interlocal agreement. **After discussion the motion was approved 5 to 0.**
* The Board next addressed item 16 of the agenda, to receive a report from the Fire Department.

Chief Johnson informed the Board that there were four hundred and ninety three (493) calls since the June 30, 2025 meeting. Chief Johnson informed the Board that members of the District were deployed regarding the flood response and nearby City for fire protection. Chief Johnson informed the Board that he participated with Commissioner Gray’s office regarding flood planning along with the County Government Affairs. No action was taken.

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* The Board next addressed agenda item 17, records management issues. No action was taken.
* The Board did not go into closed session under agenda item 18, to consult with legal counsel pursuant to section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code.
* The Board went into closed session under agenda item 19, to deliberate real estate matters under section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code at 1:52 P.M and came out of closed session at 2:27 P.M.
* The Board did not go into closed session under agenda item 20, to discuss personnel matters under section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.
* The Board next addressed agenda item 21, to review and take action on personnel matters, including policies, scheduling, evaluations, benefits, compensation, hiring, retention and evaluation of District employees, including District Fire Chief and Command Staff. No action was taken.
* The Board then addressed agenda item 22, to review and act on scheduling District meeting to be added to meeting agendas. The next Board meeting is scheduled for August 19, 2025. No action was taken.
* There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Smith made a motion seconded by Commissioner Davidson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved 5 to 0. Themeeting was adjournedat 2:29 P.M.