

Harris County Emergency Services District No.16

16810 Squyres Road, Klein, Texas 77379-7489

MINUTES OF THE MAY 11, 2015 MEETING

1 The regular meeting was called to or at 7:00 PM at the Klein Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD) Administration Building by Emergency Services District No. 16 (ESD or District) President Robert S. Farrell. Present were ESD members Herb L. Marker, Robert W. Carson, Mike A. Pate, and Steve T. Falkner. Present as guests were KVFD Fire Chief Andy Dexter, KVFD President Barry Blum, KVFD District Chief Josh Wenzel, KVFD Secretary Wendy Ray, District Counsel Ira Coveler (of Coveler & Katz PC), Brad Dill (of BD Reality Advisors, “Kim” Kimbrell (of Third Coast Architects), Dr. Ron Welch (of Municipal Services [MIS]), and Alex W. McCoy (of Harris County Republican Party [HCRP] Precinct 876). KVFD First Vice President William Gleason and KVFD Administrator Rich Jones arrived respectively at 7:05 PM and 7:11 PM.

2 The minutes for the April 13, 2015 regular meeting was unanimously approved as written (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Mike Pate).

3 Brad Dill’s report included the following:

- The feasibility period for Station #3 will expire May 29, 2015; and
- During the upcoming month, District Counsel Ira Coveler will work on legal issues associated with the water line easement at the training center.

A motion to extend Station #3’s feasibility period for six months passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Mike Pate).

4 Unanimously approved were the financial report for the period ending May 11, 2015 as presented; bills to be paid as presented; and renewal of the CD’s per Bill Russell’s recommendations (Motion: Robert Carson; Seconded: Herb Marker).

5 Dr. Ron Welch distributed copies of the “2015 Comprehensive Review for H.C. ESD #16” and provided a summary of same. Given below are the Review’s conclusions.

The January 2015 population estimate for the ESD is 144,830.

For the 2015 tax year, assuming no change in 2014 appraised values, . . . (MIS projects) . . . an additional \$295.80 million will be added to the ESD’s tax roll compared to 2014.

Assuming no change in (the) 2014 appraised values, the 2015 tax roll should generate approximately \$5.69 million in revenues by early 2016.

Finally, while the impacts of the (Grand Parkway’s) opening . . . are being evaluated, based on what has happened in western Harris and Ft. Bend counties . . . (it) will spur significant real estate development in the northern portions of the ESD.

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5 (Cont'd) Herb Marker pointed out that MIS' review did not take into account revenue from the sales tax which the voters approved on May 9, 2015.

6 Reviewing and taking action on the approval of the District's Depository Agreements with various institutions was tabled until the June 2015 regular meeting.

7 Given below are items regarding installing the trailer at Station #1.

1. The trailer's pad has been poured. It consists of a 6.5 inch slab of concrete.
2. KVFD personnel are working with the Harris County Fire Marshal to obtain an occupancy permit.
3. KVFD personnel expect to move the trailer to Station #1 on May 13.
4. Chief Dexter is arranging training about trailer related protocols firefighters will follow when it is in service.
5. KVFD personnel expect to commence operations afterhours and on weekends by June 15, 2015.

The ESD Board tasked Chief Dexter with handling all trailer related scheduling and personnel matters and President Blum with making the trailer operational.

8 Given below are reports about KVFD's activities during the preceding month.

1. Barry Blum advised the Board that they had created a preliminary 2016 budget and requested that they present the final budget to the Commissioners in July 2015 instead of June 2015. The Board was agreeable to this.
2. Mike Pate requested that the Fire Chief presents a summary of response times at each of the District's regular meetings using the format Chief Dexter used for the last report. Chief Dexter responded that he will do so.
3. ESD President Farrell advised Mr. Blum that he understood the KVFD Board had initiated impeachment proceedings against Chief Dexter. He expressed regret that the: (A) KVFD Board did not notify the ESD about the impeachment and (B) proceedings could have had a negative impact on the recent sales tax election.

District Counsel Coveler requested an update on the situation. Mr. Blum said that charges had been filed against the Chief and the KVFD Board was meeting that evening to determine whether they will proceed with impeachment at their upcoming General Business Meeting. If they decide to not go forward with the impeachment, Mr. Blum will advise the Commissioners via e-mail.

9 Ira Coveler advised meeting attendees that Harris County is assembling agreements addressing how organizations will operate at the ESD level should an emergency occur. He will monitor developments and advise the Board about same.

10 A motion to not grant 2015 property tax exemptions passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Robert Carson).

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- 11** A motion on the continuation and ratification of a contract with the law firm of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP for the collection of delinquent District *ad valorem* property taxes and for providing for the payment of 20% of the delinquent taxes, penalties, and interest collected under said contract passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Robert Carson).
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- 12** A motion for the imposition of additional penalty on delinquent 2014 taxes pursuant to Property Tax Code §33.07 and adoption of a resolution regarding same passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Robert Carson).
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- 13** A motion to ratify the continuation of the District's resolution to impose penalties on delinquent taxes under Property Tax Code §33.08 for all applicable delinquent taxes, the imposition of additional penalty on 2014 delinquent taxes pursuant to said code, and the adoption of a Resolution regarding same passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Robert Carson).
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- 14** A motion to impose an early additional penalty for collecting costs for taxes imposed on personal property on delinquent taxes pursuant to Property Tax Code §33.11 and adoption of a resolution regarding same passed unanimously (Motion: Herb Marker; Seconded: Robert Carson).
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- 15** The agenda for the June 2015 regular meeting needs to include reviewing, discussing, and taking action (as appropriate) on:
- The District's new web page;
 - Designing Station #8;
 - Approval of the District's Depository Agreements with various institutions; and
 - The 2015 Service agreement with the Klein Volunteer Fire Department.
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- 16** A meeting will be held May 12, 2015 to:
- Canvass the results of the District's election held on May 9, 2015;
 - Enter such Orders and take such action as may be necessary regarding said election; and
 - Pay bills associated with same.
- The next regular meeting was set and confirmed for June 8, 2015.
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- 17** Alex McCoy:
- Thanked all those who attended the Windrose Homeowners meeting;
 - Congratulated the Board on the sales tax passing; and
 - Advised he will miss the June 2015 meeting but he will attend the July 2015 meeting.
- "Kim" Kimbrell presented draft plans for remodeling Station #6 whereby personnel may remain at the station on a 24-hour basis.

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- 18** The Board conducted an Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code from 8:11 PM to 9:37 PM.
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- 19** Reviewing, discussing, and taking action regarding the 2016 Service agreement with the Klein Volunteer Fire Department was tabled until the June 2015 meeting.
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- 20** The meeting adjourned at 9:38 PM following a motion for same by Herb Marker, which Robert Carson seconded.



Respectfully submitted:

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