



Hardin County Emergency Services District 7 Minutes Meeting on March 3, 2026

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

1. Establish a quorum was present. Mr. Davis gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. A quorum was present: Present was Curtis Davis, Daneen Oswalt, Denise Marcontell and Elena Kelley. Tommy Shelton was not present. Curtis Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.
3. Public Comment – limited to 3 minutes; no formal action, discussion, deliberation, or comment will be made by any of the board members.
 - a. Mrs. Hudspeth spoke on Agenda item #10. She had concerns about moving forward with recruiting and resolving differences within the community.
4. Approval of meeting minutes for February 16, 2026 regular meeting.
 - a. Mrs. Oswalt motioned to approve Minutes. Seconded by Mrs. Marcontell. Motion carried. All voting for the motion.
5. Discussion and approve Treasurer Report and possibly amend budget
 - a. Previous Checking Account Balance \$14,988.51. Deposit \$21,294.97. Debit \$255.84. Bank Balance \$36,027.64.
 - b. Previous Money Market Account Balance \$4506.27. Earned Interest \$1.04. Balance \$4507.31.
 - c. Total Bank Balance \$40,533.91
 - d. No items on budget to be amended.
 - e. Mrs. Oswalt motioned to approve the Treasurer report. Seconded by Mrs. Kelley. Motion carried. All voting for the motion.
6. Discussion and update of loan and acquiring property for ESD #7 new Fire Station

- a. This item went into Executive Session. Government Code 551. Subchapter D Section 551.072- Deliberation about real property. Session was held at the end of meeting beginning at 7:32 pm and ending at 7:48 pm
7. Discussion and possible take action on each commissioner obtaining their own ESD email address
 - a. Mrs. Oswald motioned to strike from agenda. Seconded by Mr. Davis. Motion carried. All voting for the motion.
8. Discussion and take action on purchasing an external hard drive
 - a. Mrs. Marcontell will purchase an external hard drive to backup excel files.
9. Discussion on accreditation program for high school students to become certified firefighters
 - a. Mrs. Oswald motioned to strike from agenda and move to Strategy and Goals for 2026 and Beyond. Seconded by Mrs. Marcontell. Motion carried. All voting for the motion.
10. Discussed and update recruiting for ESD 7 VFD
 - a. Recruiting will be delegated to new VFD members.
11. Discussion, update and possible set date for ESD 7 VFD fundraiser
 - a. Mrs. Kelley motioned to strike from agenda. Seconded by Mrs. Marcontell. Motion carried. All voting for the motion.
 - b. Fundraisers will decided by the VFD.
12. Discussion and update on obtaining grants
 - a. Mr. Shelton is getting bids for Firehouse Subs grant
 - b. Waiting for physical address on bank statements
 - c. Outside grant writer is offering to help
13. Discussed and updated communication sources and tutorial on Active 911 app
 - a. Possible purchase 800 series radios. Mr. Davis will follow-up and get price.
14. Discussion and possible take action on ordering a medical bag
 - a. Mr. Shelton getting bid
15. Interim Fire Chief Report
 - a. Mr. Shelton was absent to give report. Report was taken from Active 911 App.
 - b. 3 medical calls, 1 Smoke investigation, 1 Mutual Aid, 1 Structure Fire

16. Discussion on any other non-agenda item without taking action, from any commissioner or announcements which may be of interest to the public.

a. Change Meeting date because current date interferes with ending month bank statements.

17. Next Meeting Agenda Items:

a. Change meeting date

b. Discuss audit

Executive Session Government Code 551. Subchapter D Section 551.072-Deliberation about real property. Carried over from item #6 beginning at 7:32pm and ending at 7:48pm

21. Discussion on Adjourning:

a. Mrs. Oswalt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Marcontell.
Motion carried. All voting for the motion.

Respectfully Submitted March 7, 2026

Daneen Oswalt, Secretary