

Montgomery County ESD No. 10 Magnolia Fire Department

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DATE: August 7, 2024

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 10 (the "District") met in a special session, open to the public, at the Magnolia Fire Department, Station 181, 18215 Buddy Riley Blvd, Magnolia, Texas 77354 on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 3:30 p.m. inside the boundaries of the District.

AGENDA ITEM:

1. Call meeting to order.

At 3:30 p.m., Commissioner Smith Called to order the Special Meeting of the Montgomery County Emergency Services District #10 (the "District"), and the roll was called of the duly appointed officer's to-wit:

2. Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Pledge of Texas and Invocation.

Larry Smith	President	Present
Charles McDonald	Vice President	Present
Jeffrey Cunningham	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Laurie Clifton	Board Member	Present

4 Commissioners were present, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Fire Chief Jeffrey Hevey; Business Manager Eloise Roberson; Assistant Chief of Administration Chuck Grant; Division Chief of Logistics & Planning August Naumann; Division Chief of Training Jason Herrman; Battalion Chief of Training Chris Thornton; Community and Risk Reduction Captain Bryan Perry; Battalion Chief Jeffrey Jackson; Office Manager Rhonda Reinholz; Assistant Office Manager Joanna Padilla; District Legal Krystine Ramon of Coveler & Peeler, PC; Dennis Winkler and Ross Winker of Winkler Public Relations; District human resources consultant Angela Zacharias from Organizology LLC; Joe Mark Robinson of Robinson Group Realtors; Joseph Chaudhary from SHAPE Integrations; Jim Lord from Texas First Insurance; Montgomery County Constable Deputy Eric Gray; and other Department Officers and Staff.

Commissioner Smith led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag. Commissioner Smith led the Pledge to the Texas Flag. Commissioner Cunningham gave the Invocation.

3. To receive Public Comment. Texas law and District policy establish that members of the public may offer comments on any subject of concern to the public. District policy establishes time limits to address the Board: 3 minutes for items on the agenda; 2 minutes for items not on the agenda; or 1 minute if the person has spoken on the same topic at any of the two preceding meetings. Anyone who interrupts the meeting intending to prevent or disrupt the Board from conducting the meeting by interjecting comments after the Public Comment item has concluded are subject to removal from the meeting and premises under Texas law after receiving reasonable warning from the presiding officer.

No public comments were received.

4. To propose the District 2025 Budget.

Business Manager, Eloise Roberson presented the Preliminary Budget for 2025.

 An estimated \$950,000.00 a month is expected to be received from Ad Valorem Sales Tax. No action was taken.

5. To propose the District 2024 Tax Rate.

Legal Counsel, Krystine Ramon presented the 2024 tax rate scenarios:

SCENARIO 1	RATE	TAX LEVY	INCREASE OVER PRIOR YEAR	
No-New-Revenue-Tax Rate:	\$0.080900	\$12,676,609	\$516,288	
SCENARIO 2				
Voter Approval Tax Rate:	\$0.086800	\$13,601,108	\$1,440,787	
SCENARIO 3				
De Minimis Rate Applied:	\$0.087300	\$13,679,456	\$1,519,134	
SCENARIO 4				
2023 Tax Rate:	\$0.087900	\$13,773,473	\$1,613,151	
SCENARIO 5				
Statutory Maximum Rate:	\$0.100000	\$15,669,480	\$3,509,158	
SCENARIO 6				
No Petition Rate: Tax Code §26.075(b)(2)(B)(i)	\$0.090160	\$14,127,603	\$1,967,281	
DEBT RATE – MUST BE ADOPTED TO FUND PLEDGE DEBT PAYMENT				
If applicable, Debt rate is a component of any rate adopted.	\$0.009700	\$1,519,940	N/A	

A motion to propose Scenario 3 as the District's 2024 tax rate was made by Commissioner Cunningham, and was seconded by Commissioner Clifton. **The motion was approved 3 to 0.**

6. To schedule a public hearing regarding the District's 2024 tax rate and the date of the meeting to adopt.

A public hearing to adopt the District's 2024 tax rate is scheduled for Monday, August 19, 2024, at 8:30 am.

- 7. To review and take action on matters relating to an election to be held on November 5, 2024:
 - a. Approve an Order of Election under Texas Tax Code Section 26.07.
 - b. To review and take action to hold an election jointly with other jurisdictions.
 - c. To review and take action to contract with Montgomery County Elections Office for election services.
 - d. To consider and take action on such other Orders, Resolutions and related matters as required or appropriate to call for the District election.

No action was taken.

8. Adjournment.

With no further business to come before the Board, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 pm