

Walker County ESD # 3 – Board of Commissioners

Minutes for Regular Session August 14, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

GENERAL ITEMS

Prayer was led by Bob Stoudt.
Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge were performed.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Walker County ESD #3 Board of Commissioners was called to order by President, Robert McCaffety at 6:33 p.m., at the Crabbs Prairie Volunteer Fire Station 41.

2. ROLL CALL

Commissioner, Rob McCaffety	President	Present
Commissioner, Huey Campbell	Vice President	Present
Commissioner, Billy Don Avritt	Secretary	Present
Commissioner, Mike Bilberry	Treasurer	Present
Commissioner, Floyd Garner	Assistant Treasurer	Absent

3. PRESENTATIONS BOARD/CITIZENS COMMENT

None presented

4. Approve minutes of the July 10, 2025 regular meeting;

Commissioner McCaffety presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Campbell to APPROVE Minutes as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bilberry.
VOTE: Motion carried.

5. Engage auditor for preparation of Fiscal Year Ending ("FYE") September 30, 2025 audit;

Commissioner McCaffety presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bilberry to APPROVE to Authorize attorney to receive quotes for this service.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Campbell.
VOTE: Motion carried.

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6. Bookkeeper's Report, including:

b. review investment report;

Eric Johnston presented information.

a. authorizes payment of bills/invoices;

Commissioner McCaffety presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bilberry to APPROVE items (a) and (b) as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Avritt.
VOTE: Motion carried.

c. review draft Budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2026;

Commissioner McCaffety presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bilberry to APPROVE as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Avritt.
VOTE: Motion carried.

7. Finance Committee Report, including consider capital items to be financed with tax-exempt debt;

Commissioner Bilberry presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Campbell to APPROVE as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Avritt.
VOTE: Motion carried.

8. Building Committee Report;

Commissioner McCaffety presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bilberry to APPROVE report as presented.
SECOND: Made by Commissioner Avritt.
VOTE: Motion carried.

9. Tax Assessor-Collector's Report;

a. discuss proposed 2025 tax rate; and

Commissioner McCaffety and Legal Counsel, Regina presented information.

b. authorize publication of Notice of Tax Rate/Public Hearing for 2025;

Commissioner McCaffety and Legal Counsel, Regina presented information.

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MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bilberry to APPROVE Tax Rate as presented at \$0.10 per 100-dollar valuation. The Public Hearing will be held September 11 at 6:30 p.m. during the Regular Session meeting for the ESD Board.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Campbell.

RECORD VOTE:

Commissioner McCaffety	For
Commissioner Campbell	For
Commissioner Avritt	For
Commissioner Bilberry	For
Commissioner Garner	Absent

VOTE: Motion carried.

10. Webmaster's Report:

Bob Stoudt presented information.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Campbell to APPROVE Webmaster's Report.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bilberry.

VOTE: Motion carried.

11. Review potential available grants and authorize application for same, as necessary;

ACTION: TABLE at this time.

12. CPVFD Fire Chief's Report, including:

Chief Justin Baack presented information.

- a) Fire operations;
A review was given.
- b) consider requests for acquisition of capital item(s) or amendments to previously-approved requests, including truck purchase, and take any necessary action on same;
None at this time.
- c) Status of transfer of ownership of all CPVFD – owned vehicles to the District;
Pending photos at this time.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Avritt to APPROVE Chief's report as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Campbell.

VOTE: Motion carried.

13. Attorney's Report:

Regina gave an update.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Campbell to APPROVE Attorney's Report.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bilberry.

VOTE: Motion carried.

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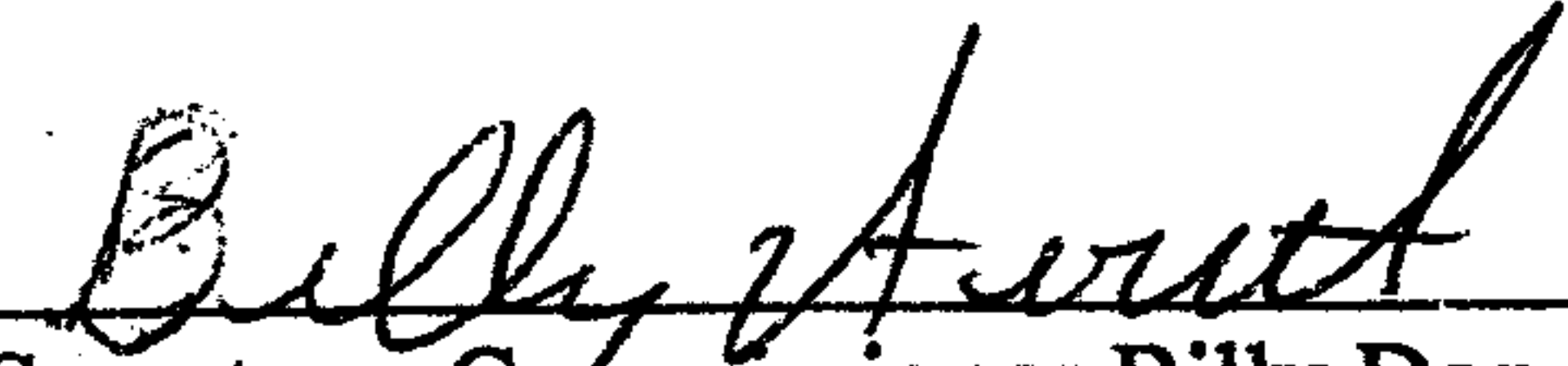
14. Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, (Open Meetings Act) to discuss matters, as may be necessary; and

ACTION: None

15. Adjournment:

The next Regular meeting will be September 11, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

ACTION: Commissioner McCaffety adjourned meeting at 8:28 p.m.


Secretary, Commissioner Billy Don Avritt
Minutes Approved on: 9-11-25

