

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

WALKER COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended, that the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of Walker County Emergency Services District No. 3 (the "District") will conduct its regular meeting, open to the public, at **6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2026**, at the **Crabbs Prairie Volunteer Fire Department ("CPVFD"), 28 FM 1696, Huntsville, Texas 77320**, a location inside the boundaries of the District, at which meeting the following matters will be considered and acted upon:

1. Call meeting to order;
2. Roll call;
3. Public comment;
4. Approve minutes of the July 9, 2026 regular meeting;
5. Confirm engagement of auditor for preparation of Fiscal Year Ending ("FYE") September 30, 2026 audit;
6. Bookkeeper's Report, including:
 - a. authorize payment of bills/invoices; and
 - b. review and adopt FYE September 30, 2027 Budget, as necessary;
7. Finance Committee Report;
8. Status of purchase of apparatus (pumper truck);
9. Building Committee Report, including:
 - a. status of station design; and
 - b. authorize architect to request competitive sealed proposals for station construction, as necessary;
10. Tax Assessor-Collector's Report, including:
 - a. review 2026 Truth in Taxation information;
 - b. discuss proposed 2026 tax rate; and
 - c. authorize publication of Notice of Public Hearing on 2026 Tax Rate;
11. Webmaster's Report;
12. Review potential available grants and authorize application for same, as necessary;
13. CPVFD Fire Chief's Report, including:
 - a. fire operations and personnel procurement;
 - b. review and accept proposals/bids for concrete installation at Crabbs Prairie Station;
 - c. consider requests for acquisition of capital item(s) or amendments to previously-approved requests, and take any necessary action on same;
 - d. status of transfer of ownership of all CPVFD-owned vehicles to the District; and
 - e. status of Texas Forest Service grant and matching for same, including review and accept proposal for truck purchase;
14. Approve Fourth Amendment to Lease Agreement for Vehicle Apparatus, Equipment and Stations;
15. Attorney's Report;
16. Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, (Open Meetings Act) to discuss matters, as may be necessary; and
17. Adjournment.

The Board of Commissioners is authorized by the Open Meetings Act to convene in closed or Executive Session for certain purposes. These purposes include: receiving legal advice from its attorney(s) pursuant to §551.071, Texas Government Code; discussing real property matters pursuant to §551.072, Texas Government Code; discussing gifts and donations pursuant to §551.073, Texas Government Code; discussing security personnel or devices pursuant to §551.076, Texas Government Code; and discussing cybersecurity and critical infrastructure pursuant to §551.089. If the Board decides to enter into Executive Session regarding any item on this agenda, the Presiding Officer will announce that an Executive Session will be held and will identify the item to be discussed and provision of the Open Meetings Act that authorizes the closed or Executive Session.

EXECUTED this 6th day of August, 2026.

WALKER COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3



(DISTRICT SEAL)

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Walker County Emergency Services District #3

DRAFT Annual Budget **DRAFT**

For the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2027

	ESD	CPVFD	Total
REVENUES			
100.10 Walker County TAC			\$ 1,159,659
<u>100.11 Walker County TAC - Prior Years</u>			\$ 150,000
100.20 Interest Income			75,341
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES			<u><u>\$ 1,385,000</u></u>

EXPENDITURES

ESD Administration

201.10 Advertising - Legal Notices	\$ 500	
201.20 Insurance	1,000	
201.22 Memberships	3,500	
201.23 P.O. Box Rental	260	
201.24 Commissioner Supplies	250	
201.29 Election Costs	15,000	
201.30 Professional Fees	5,000	
201.31 Accounting Fees	9,000	
201.32 Appraisal District Fees	33,065	
201.33 Bookkeeping	5,000	
201.35 ESD Counsel	40,000	
201.40 Commissioner Training	7,000	
205.10 Website Development/Maintenance	2,000	
TOTAL ESD ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	<u><u>\$ 121,575</u></u>	\$ 121,575

Crabbs Prairie Volunteer Fire Department

OPERATING EXPENDITURES

301 Administrative

301.10 Bank Fees	\$ 50	
301.21 Certifications	1,000	
301.22 Memberships/SFFMA	2,700	
301.31 Banquet	4,000	
301.32 Events	1,500	
301.33 Firefighter Awards	500	
301.41 VFIS Insurance	30,000	
301.52 Office Supplies	1,500	
301.61 Active 911	650	
301.62 Emergency Reporting License	3,000	
301.63 ICS	8,000	
301.64 Net Motion	1,750	
301.71 Accounting	350	
301.72 Pest Control	1,200	
TOTAL ADMININSTRATIVE	<u><u>\$ 56,200</u></u>	

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	ESD	CPVFD	Total
302 Station, Facilities & Fixtures			
302.12 Equipment, Appliances		\$ 2,000	
302.21 Maintenance/Improvements		10,000	
302.22 Generator Maintenance		3,000	
302.30 Station Supplies		7,000	
302.40 Utilities		11,550	
TOTAL STATION, FACILITIES & FIXTURES		\$ 33,550	
303 Vehicle & Apparatus Expense			
303.11 Fuel		\$ 36,000	
303.12 Registration		150	
303.23 Apparatus Maintenance/Repair		10,000	
303.24 Hoses, Nozzles, Adapters		6,000	
303.25 Loose Equipment		10,000	
303.27 Medical Equipment		5,000	
TOTAL VEHICLE & APPARATUS EXPENSE		\$ 67,150	
304 Support Equipment			
304.13 Communication/Repairs		\$ 15,000	
TOTAL SUPPORT EQUIPMENT		\$ 15,000	
305 Training & Travel			
305.11 In-House Props & Materials		\$ 5,000	
305.19 Training Classes		6,000	
305.20 Travel/Meals & Lodging		4,000	
305.24 Educational Materials		2,000	
TOTAL TRAINING & TRAVEL		\$ 17,000	
306 PPE & Uniforms			
306.12 Bunker Gear (Structure)		\$ -	
306.13 Dual Purpose (Wildland/Extraction)		-	
306.14 Firefighter PPE		72,000	
306.21 Clothing (Class A, B, C)		2,500	
TOTAL PPE & UNIFORMS		\$ 74,500	
307 Station Personnel			
307.20 FF Retirement Pension		10,000	
307.20 Duty Crew		425,000	
TOTAL STATION PERSONNEL		\$ 435,000	
TOTAL ESD#3 OPERATING EXPENDITURES			\$ 819,975

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For the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2027

	ESD	CPVFD	Total
400 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES			
401 Apparatus & Vehicle			
401.10 New Apparatus Annual Payment	\$ 175,000		
TOTAL APPARATUS & VEHICLE	\$ 175,000		
403 Buildings & Structures			
403.50 Highway 30 Station	\$ 200,000		
TOTAL BUILDING & STRUCTURES	\$ 200,000		
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 375,000		\$ 375,000
500 RESERVES			
501 Capital Reserves	\$ 50,000		
502 Contingency Operating Reserves	44,025		
TOTAL RESERVES	\$ 94,025		\$ 94,025
TOTAL CAPITAL/RESERVES	\$ 469,025		\$ 469,025
600 DEBT SERVICE			
601 Apparatus & Vehicle			
601.10 Apparatus (2026) Payment	\$ 96,000		
630 Buildings & Structures			
630.10 Hwy 30 Station	-		
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$ 96,000		\$ 96,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES	\$ 686,600	\$ 698,400	\$ 1,385,000

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TAXPAYER IMPACT STATEMENT

Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2027 Budget

House Bill 1522, passed by the 89th Texas Legislature (2025), amends Section 551.043, Texas Government Code to require that the notice of a meeting required to be posted under Section 551.043(a), Texas Government Code, at which a governmental body will discuss or adopt a budget for the governmental body, must include a taxpayer impact statement showing, for the median-valued homestead property, a comparison of the property tax bill in dollars pertaining to the property for the current fiscal year to an estimate of the property tax bill in dollars for the same property for the upcoming fiscal year.

Walker County Emergency Services District No. 3 (the "District") has proposed a budget for the District's Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2027. The District intends to adopt its budget before it sets its 2026 tax rate, as required by Chapter 775, Texas Health & Safety Code.

- **Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the District: \$254,840**
- **Property Tax Bill for a Median-Valued Homestead in the Current Fiscal Year (\$0.10): \$254.80**
- **Estimated Property Tax Bill for a Median-Valued Homestead for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts the Proposed Budget and Tax Rate (\$0.10): \$257.93**
- **Estimated Property Tax Bill for a Median-Valued Homestead for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts a Balanced Budget Funded at the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate (\$0.09522221): \$245.60**

The estimates in this Taxpayer Impact Statement are valid only for the proposed budget that the District will consider at its meeting on **August 13, 2026**. The proposed budget may be amended by District at any time. If the District's Board of Commissioners intends to discuss the proposed budget at a subsequent meeting, the District will include a Taxpayer Impact Statement with the notice for that meeting which will include updated estimates based on any amendments to the proposed budget.