

BASTROP COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3

MINUTES

September 16, 2026

Bastrop County Emergency Services District No. 3 met in regular session, open to the public, at **9:01 A.M.**, on **Wednesday, September 16, 2026**, in the **Bastrop County Emergency Services District 3 office, 627 B State Highway 71, Bastrop, Texas 78602**, at which time the following subjects were discussed, considered, passed, or adopted:

A. Call Meeting to Order (Commissioner Green) 9:01 am

B. Pledges of Allegiance; Those present said the Pledges of Allegiance.

Present was Commissioners Green, Simpson, Pack, and Young. Also present were Executive Director Johnson and Legal Counsel Kelli Carton. Others in attendance were Derek Kahanek, Don Rose, Nichole Kuhlmann, Ernie Rodriguez, Kelly Curry, Preston McGrew, Crystie Shibley, Jacob Saunders, Anthony Malgieri, Acadian staff member Rusty Wood, and members of the public.

C. Public Comment. None.

D. Public Comment on Agenda Items. None.

E. Commissioner Items

1. Approve and accept Statement and Oath of Office for Derek Kahanek.

The Statement and Oath were administered by Kelli Carlton to Commissioner Derek Kahanek, and the Statement and Oath were then accepted by the Board.

2. Action regarding election of officers for Board.

Motion: Commissioner Simpson moved to nominate Commissioner Young as Vice President and Commissioner Kahanek as Assistant Treasurer/Secretary, with the other commissioners maintaining their current offices; Second by Commissioner Pack.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

F. Operations

1. Executive Director report to include executive summary, update on Administrative operations, EMS transition plan, human resources, construction and other project updates, including any subitems below, and other related District matters, with discussion and possible action on the report provided.

Executive Director Allen Johnson gave the report as presented in the Board packet. Dr. Zach Mauro introduced himself to the Board.

No action taken.

2. Operations report from Acadian Ambulance, including
 - a. Operational Metrics
 - b. Clinical Metrics
 - c. Community Events
 - d. Discussion and possible action on the report provided

Acadian Ambulance representative Rusty Wood presented the monthly operations report, including an overview of August call volume and response activity, dispatch operations, communications system status, the transition of dispatch operations to the Dallas communications center, staffing updates, and mutual aid utilization. The Board received the report.

No action taken.

3. Bastrop County First Responders Report

Preston McGrew provided an update for the Board.

The Board changed the order of the agenda and addressed the agenda items in the following order:

G. The following items are for discussion and possible action:

13. Approve recommendation to engage Southwest Engineers for engineering services for the Rosanky property.

Director of Procurement Kelly Curry provided background information on the property and engineering proposal to the Board.

Motion: Commissioner Pack moved to approve engagement with Southwest Engineers for engineering services for the Rosanky property; Second by Commissioner Green.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

14. Approve site improvements including but not limited to installation of utilities, septic and site pad for the Rosanky station property in preparation for delivery of previously approved manufactured home.

Director of Procurement Kelly Curry provided the board with an update on site improvements for Station 81 as provided in the Board packet and he noted that the draft report was ready to be sent to TXDOT.

Motion: Commissioner Pack moved to approve site improvements including, but not limited to, installation of utilities, septic and site pad for the Rosanky station property in preparation for delivery of previously approved manufactured home; Second by Commissioner Young.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

1. Approve the Treasurer's report and the financial statements for August 2026, payment of invoices and reimbursements, payroll, and advertising expenses.

Executive Director Allen Johnson provided an overview of the financials as provided in the Board packet.

Motion: Commissioner Young moved to approve the Treasurer's report and the financial statements for August 2026, payment of invoices and reimbursements, payroll, and advertising expenses; Second by Commissioner Simpson.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

2. Authorize the Executive Director to establish a bank account at Frontier Bank, authorize signers for same, and approve a resolution for same.

Motion: Commissioner Simpson moved to authorize the Executive Director to establish a bank account at Frontier Bank, authorize signers for same, and approve a resolution for same; Second by Commissioner Pack.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

3. Approve revenue transfer(s) between or among District accounts.

No action taken.

4. Approve minutes from the following meetings:

a. August 19, 2026 (Regular Meeting)

Motion: Commissioner Pack moved to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2026, meeting as presented; Second by Commissioner Young.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

5. Take action to adopt budget for fiscal year October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027 and a resolution for same.

Executive Director Johnson provided the budget to the Board at an earlier date for review, and recommended adoption of the budget as presented with two minor changes.

Motion: Commissioner Green moved to approve the adoption of the budget for fiscal year October 1, 2026 to September 30, 2027 and a resolution for same; Second by Commissioner Pack.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

6. Conduct a public hearing on the proposal to increase property taxes.

Public Hearing: The Board opened the public hearing at 9:39 a.m. No public comments were received and no one attending wished to speak under this item. The public hearing was closed at 9:40 a.m.

7. Take a record vote on the District's 2026 tax rate, adopt an Order Levying Taxes, and authorize filing the Order with the County Tax Assessor/Collector.

Motion: Commissioner Pack moved that the tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.100000 per \$100, which is effectively a 1.58 percent increase in the tax rate, to adopt an Order Levying Taxes, and to authorize filing the Order with the County Tax Assessor/Collector; Second by Commissioner Young.

Commissioner Green — **For**
Commissioner Young — **For**
Commissioner Pack — **For**
Commissioner Simpson — **For**
Commissioner Kahanek — **For**

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

8. Authorize posting of statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of District website.

Motion: Commissioner Green moved to authorize posting the statement regarding the adopted tax rate to the home page of the District's website; Second by Commissioner Kahanek.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

9. Approve 911 center improvements to support EMS communications including electrical, phone, data, and other work necessary for start of operations.

Director of Procurement Kelly Curry provided the Board with an update on the status of the 911 Center improvements, including work completed to date and the remaining items necessary to complete the project and support the start of EMS operations. Discussion followed.

Motion: Commissioner Pack moved to approve 911 center improvements to support EMS communications including electrical, phone, data, and other work necessary for start of operations not to exceed \$75,000; Second by Commissioner Green.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

10. Approve purchase of office cubicles and two additional console furniture sets.

Director of Procurement Kelly Curry provided background information and also provided quotes in the Board packet. Discussion followed.

Motion: Commissioner Green moved to approve purchase of office cubicles from Office Depot and two additional console furniture sets from Watson Furniture for \$95,000; Second by Commissioner Kahanek.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

11. Approve purchase of two additional Motorola radio consoles for dispatch services.

Director of Procurement Kelly Curry provided quotes in the Board packet for the purchase of two additional Motorola radio consoles. Motorola is a sole source for the radio consoles used in the county, and the radio consoles are purchased under the City of Austin contract.

Motion: Commissioner Simpson moved to approve the purchase of two additional Motorola radio consoles for dispatch services as presented and at a price not to exceed \$250,000; Second by Commissioner Young.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

12. Approve correspondence from the Board to Commissioners Court and Sheriff Cook urging the approval of ANI/ALI resources for EMS dispatch.

Motion: Commissioner Simpson moved to request legal counsel to draft a letter and that the entire Board sign the letter urging the approval of ANI/ALI resources for EMS dispatch and to be delivered after District operations begin; Second by Commissioner Pack.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

15. Authorize the payment of a deposit for fuel purchases with Fuelman.

Motion: Commissioner Green moved to authorize the payment of a deposit in the amount of \$45,000 for fuel purchases with Fuelman; Second by Commissioner Young.

5 – Ayes, Motion Passes

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 10:23 a.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to receive legal advice and counsel regarding Agenda Item 16. The Board reconvened at 11:19 a.m. in Regular Session.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

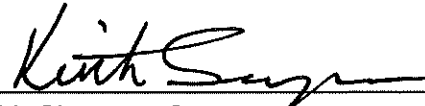
16. Receive General Counsel report, including, but not limited to, tax matters, pending contract issues, open records requests, and other legal issues, if any, and take action as needed.

No action taken.

17. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Approved: October 21, 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Keith Simpson", is written over a horizontal line.

Keith Simpson, Secretary
Board of Commissioners

Minutes taken and transcribed by Crystie Shibley, Office Manager for Bastrop County Emergency Services District No. 3