

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 28, 2013 MEETING OF THE
WALLER-HARRIS EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO 200**

A Meeting was duly called of the **WALLER-HARRIS EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 200**, which was held on January 28, 2013 at the District's Administrative Office, 2619 Washington St., Waller, TX 77484-8263.

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 A.M. by **Tommy Davis**, President. Those Commissioners present were, **Tommy Davis, Darwin Hargrave, Gary Ferguson, and Brooke Robinson**. Also present were Cheryl Scott of The Smith Group, Inc., the District's bookkeeper, and Howard Katz of Coveler & Katz, District's counsel, and Freddie Williams, representative from Tri-County VFD. Gene Schmidt, Representative from Waller VFD arrived at 10:47 AM.

The Board first addressed item 2 of the agenda to review and take action , if appropriate, on receipt of petition pursuant to Section 7753051, Health and Safety Code, requesting for inclusion into the District of the City of Brookshire and ETJ. Mr. Katz reported that he had received the Petition and it had been verified with Waller County Election Office that there were more than 50 signers that own property within the City and ETJ. Mr. Katz stated that the petition is sufficient for the Board to determine if they want to proceed with the first step in the process. Mr. Katz explained that the election would be held in May, 2013 and that the District would be responsible for the conducting the election. Mr. Katz explained that the deadline would be March, 1 2013 to hold the Public hearings and call the election. Mr. Ferguson made a motion to Call a Public Hearing. Mr. Hargrave seconded the message. The motion passed with a 4 to 0 vote. Mr. Davis asked the representatives if the Mayor could recommend an individual to be the Fire Chief of the Brookshire Fire Department Mr. Sanders, representative for the Fire Department responded that he felt sure the Chief could. Mr. Sanders expressed his desire for the District to have a major input into the operations of the Department. Mr. Davis assured him that the District would provide them with the training and support they would need. The Chief stated that the City budgets \$85,000 annually for the Fire Department and would continue to do so after annexation. Vote was taken and the motion passed 4 to 0.

The Board then moved to item 3 of the agenda to review and take action on scheduling any required public hearings. Mr. Ferguson made a motion to hold the meetings at the Pattison Area Volunteer Department Station. Ms. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed with at 4 to 0 vote.

The Board next addressed item 1 of the agenda to review and take action on possible re-finance or payoff \$413,393.06 balance of loan dated November 15, 2010 (aerial device). Mr. Katz explained that the lender will now allow the

District to refinance the balance of the loan at 2.83% interest. This would save the District about \$20,000. Discussion followed. Mr. Ferguson moved to refinance the loan at 2.83%. Mr. Hargrave seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 4 to 0 vote.

Mr. Hargrave moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Robinson second.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tommy Davis, President