



Hardin County Emergency Services District 2 *Open Meetings Policy*

Hardin County Emergency Services District #2 (the “District”) is an emergency services district created under Chapter 775 of the Texas Health & Safety Code. All meetings of the District shall comply with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Notice of a meeting of the District’s Board of Commissioners (the “Board”) in which a quorum will be present shall be posted at least three (3) business days prior to the date of the meeting. The Board may only discuss and take action on items properly noticed on the agenda.

Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the third (3rd) Thursday of each month. Meetings are held at the Central Fire Station training room, 228 Country Lane Drive, Lumberton, Texas 77657, and are scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m., unless otherwise noticed on the agenda.

RECORDING DURING AN OPEN MEETING:

Pursuant to Section 551.023 of the Texas Local Government Code, members of the public, including the media, are permitted to record all or any portion of an open meeting. All individuals wishing to record a meeting must do so from the designated recording area. . Equipment should be operated in a manner that is not disruptive and does not interfere with the proceedings, obstruct views, create noise distractions, or impede movement of attendees.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Citizens desiring to address the Board at a properly noticed meeting must adhere to the following:

Any member of the public who wishes to address the Board shall sign their name, agenda item of discussion, and address on the Public Comment Sign-In Sheet. Public Comment shall be limited to items properly noticed on the agenda.

At the beginning of the meeting, a member of the public, properly signed up for Public Comment, shall have three (3) minutes to address an item(s) on the agenda. The Board allots a total of 30 minutes to hear Public Comments.

No Public Comment shall last more than three (3) minutes.

Public comments should be directed to the Board as a whole and not to individual members or staff. To promote respectful dialogue, members of the public are asked to refrain from using the names or titles of individual Board members, staff, or other persons when making comments.

If a comment relates to an item on the agenda, the Board may respond to or further inquire about the comment when that item is considered later in the meeting.

The presiding officer reserves the right to interrupt or terminate comments that do not comply with this policy, are considered defamatory, or that disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting.

The revised Open Meetings Policy is hereby effective as of the 23 day of April 2026.

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