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Abstract: **Robin Dale Frazier**

Robin Frazier tells how his professional life and various career positions intersected with the building at 307 Fort Street, Richmond, Texas, and it's evolution from a county jail in 1954 to the Juvenile Probation Detention Center and finally it's current role as the Fort Bend County Office of Emergency Management. From his understanding, Frazier believes the popular folk song "The Midnight Special", was written in the Sugar Land Central (DPS) Unit.

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Interview Summary

People (in order mentioned in interview)

Troy Nehls, FBC Sheriff
 Danny Jan, FBC Sheriff's Office and OEM
 Ervin Hurta, FBC Sheriff
 Cole McClellan, dispatcher
 Marvin Buller, game warden
 James Johnson, game warden
 Warden Morris M. Jones TC Jester II Vance
 Jeff Braun, FBC Emergency Coordinator
 Mel Speed, FBC Emergency Coordinator
 Judge Hebert, Fort Bend County
 Alan Spears, OEM Deputy Coordinator
 Logene Foster, DPS Highway Patrolman,
 attorney
 Michael Orsak, attorney

Places / Businesses

Fort Bend County (FBC), TX
 Richmond (FBC)

Events

Frazier completed law enforcement training in 1973 and worked in DPS drivers licensing because he hadn't completed college. After completing his degree, Robin was stationed as a highway patrolman in Fort Bend County. He worked in Commercial Vehicle Inspections for several years before retiring and accepting a job with the Fort Bend County Constable's Office.

As a constable, Frazier was assigned as a liaison with the FBC Office of Emergency Management in the Emergency Operations Center during emergency response operations. He met Danny Jan there and supported the community during Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita.

Frazier was responsible for communications and budgeting in the sheriff's office and was instrumental in upgrading communications to digital throughout the county and networking with neighboring jurisdictions.

Polly Ryon Memorial Hospital
 Oakbend Medical Center
 Houston, TX
 DPS (Texas Department of Public Safety)
 Precinct 4 Constable's Office
 Office of Emergency Management (OEM)
 Iraq
 FBC Sheriff's Office (FBCSO)
 University of Texas
 FBC Juvenile Facility
 TC Jester I, II, and III
 I/T Section/Department
 FBC Department of Roads & Bridges
 DPS Central (Prison) Unit, Sugarland, TX
 Fort Bend County Jail historical site
 Richmond Police Department
 Richmond State School
 Bastrop, TX