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**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on this 10th day of October, 2018, at 9:00 o’clock a.m. there came on and was held in the City of Rocksprings, Edwards County, Texas, at the Edwards County Courthouse therein, a Regular Open Meeting of the Commissioners’ Court of Edwards County, Texas. The Agenda for this Regular Open Meeting of the Commissioners’ Court of Edwards County, Texas was posted on October 4, 2018 at 4:00 o’clock p.m.

Present were:

Honorable William Epperson, Commissioner of Precinct One

Honorable Lee Sweeten, Commissioner of Precinct Two, was absent

Honorable Matt Fry, Commissioner of Precinct Three

Honorable Andrew Barnebey, Commissioner of Precinct Four

Honorable Souli Asa Shanklin, County Judge

Honorable Olga Lydia Reyes, County and District Clerk

1. **Determination of quorum; Call to Order.** The Open Meeting was called to order at 9:00 o’clock a.m. by Judge Shanklin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Court was led in prayer by Commissioner Fry. The roll was then called by Clerk Reyes. All Commissioners, with the exception of Commissioner Sweeten, who could not make it to Court because of the flooding situation, were present.

2. **Open Forum.** There were no participants in the Open Forum.

3. **Staff Reports.** There were no questions on the Staff Reports.

4. **DELIBERATE, CONSIDER and/or TAKE ACTION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:**

a. **Prior Minutes.**

**September 11, 2018:** Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to approve the minutes of September 11, 2018; Judge Shanklin seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**September 27, 2018:** Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2018; Judge Shanklin seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

b. **Burn Ban.** No action taken.

c. **Discuss and act upon Final Plat for Whitetail Ridge Ranch Subdivision. – Sam Poorman, Commissioner Matt Fry.** Commissioner Fry addressed the Court and stated that everything for this subdivision was in order. Poorman stated that the water availability report was submitted along with the preliminary plat. Poorman also stated that the OSF report was given to McDonald for his review. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Final Plat for the Whitetail Ridge Ranch Subdivision; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Barnebey. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

d. **Discuss and act upon Final Plat for Blackbuck Ridge Ranch Subdivision. – Sam Poorman, Commissioner Matt Fry.** Commissioner Fry addressed the Court and stated that everything for this subdivision was in order. Poorman stated that the water availability report was submitted along with the preliminary plat. Poorman also stated that the OSF report was given to McDonald for his review. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Final Plat for the Blackbuck Ridge Ranch Subdivision; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Epperson. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

e. **Discuss and act upon adding Melanie Reed as a commissioner member of The Edwards County Historical Commission. – Kari Cloudt.** Mrs. Cloudt could not make it to address the Court today because of the flooding conditions; Judge Shanklin informed the Court of her request as stated above. Judge Shanklin made the motion to add Melanie Reed as a commissioner member of The Edwards County Historical Commissioner; Commissioner Epperson seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

f. **Discuss contracting policies for Edwards County. – Commissioner Andrew Barnebey.** Commissioner Barnebey addressed the concerns that he had regarding the A/C unit that was replaced at Annex Building. The Court discussed the repairs made. Epperson stated that this issue could have been double-checked by turning off the outside units and the inside units and turning them on one at a time. Epperson also stated that he spoke to Trane and they were willing to come to Rocksprings and they should be used in the future. Fry agreed. It was discussed that on any future breakdowns, the County should get a second opinion as to repairs. No action was taken as this was a discussion item only.

g. **Discuss the recent AC repairs for Annex. – Commissioner Andrew Barnebey.** No action was taken as it was already discussed.

h. **Discuss and act upon amending equipment line item 20-600-365 from $35,000 to $145,000 to accommodate the purchase of two (2) new ¾ ton 4wd crew trucks and one (1) used fully outfitted service truck. – Jason Arp, Road Superintendent.** Arp made his presentation of the need for these items to the Court. Judge Shanklin stated that he had asked the County Treasurer to join the Court since this agenda item also relates to the next agenda item (item “i”). Treasurer Enriquez stated that the County has $177,000 in savings and $140,000 in the Road and Bridge Savings. The County also has $82,000 in the grant account but we don’t want to spend this because we have to pay out before we get reimbursed under the grant. In the checking account, the County has $94,000. She recommends using what we have in our checking and then from the savings, as needed. She wants an amendment to line item and transfer whatever amount Arp is requesting when it is needed.

Commissioner Epperson voiced his concerns about spending all of this money on this equipment. Shanklin stated that the amounts in the savings were there because of grants that the County had received. Commissioner Fry inquired whether Arp could purchase the service truck later. Arp replied in the affirmative. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the purchase of two ¾ ton 4wd crew trucks and a budget amendment to the equipment line item 20-600-365, as needed. Judge Shanklin seconded the motion. The motion carried 3/0, with Commissioner Epperson abstaining from the vote. The purchase of a service truck will be tabled at this time.

i. **Discuss and act upon transferring $110,000 from LMMC Savings to Combined Checking for purchases relating to item h. – Jason Arp, Road Superintendent.** See discussion to agenda item “h” above.

j. **Pursuant to Section 263.153, Subchapter D of the Local Government Code, discuss and act upon posting notice of intent to auction salvaged or surplus property (i.e., equipment in yard) on Saturday, October 27, 2018, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Pursuant to Section 263.152 of said code, the auction will be conducted via silent competitive bid. Notices will be posted by October 11, 2018 on social media, County website and surrounding newspapers. – Jason Arp, Road Superintendent.** Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to post the notice of intent to auction salvaged or surplus property (i.e., equipment in yard) on Saturday, October 27, 2018, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM.Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

k. **Open and discuss bids and act upon fuel bid. – Judge Souli Shanklin.** The fuel bids that have been received were opened in Court. Bids were received from Pico and Junction Fuels and are hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth verbatim in this document. Commission Epperson made the motion to approve the bid from Pico Fuel for fuel and all lubricants; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fry. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

l. **Open and discuss bids and act upon propane bid. – Judge Shanklin.** The propane bid that was been received was opened in Court. A bid was received from Country Boys Feed and Supply and it is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth verbatim in this document. Commission Barnebey made the motion to approve the bid from Country Boys Feed and Supply for all propane; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fry. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 3/0, with Commissioner Epperson abstaining from the vote.

m. **Discuss and act upon SWART Letter of Support for Veterans Transportation. – Judge Souli Shanklin.** Judge Shanklin read the proposed Letter of Support to the Court. Judge Shanklin made the motion to approve the SWART Letter of Support for Veterans Transportation; Commissioner Barnebey seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

n. **Discuss and act on contract for Edwards County EMS. – Judge Souli Shanklin.** Judge Shanklin presented the contract for Emergency Medical Services to the Court. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Contract for Emergency Medical Services with the Edwards County EMS; Commissioner Epperson seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

o. **Discuss and act on contract for Edwards County Fire Department. – Judge Souli Shanklin.** Judge Shanklin presented the contract for Fire Department Services to the Court. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Contract for Emergency Medical Services with the Edwards County Volunteer Fire Department; Commissioner Epperson seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

p. **Discuss and act on contract for Senior Activity Center.** Judge Shanklin presented the contract for Services to the Court. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Contract for Services with the Edwards County Senior Activity Center; Commissioner Epperson seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

q. **Consider and act upon Contract Extension Request for TxCDBG 7217027 Disaster Relief Project and authorize County Judge to sign. – Carl Esser.** This disaster relief project deals with the repairs to CR 350 and CR 310. Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to approve the Contract Extension Request for TxCDBG 7217027 Disaster Relief Project and authorize County Judge to sign; Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

5. **New Business.** Commissioner Barnebey inquired whether a disaster declaration would be forthcoming. Judge Shanklin stated that he had already called Carl Esser to start working in this regard.

6. **Set time and date for next meeting.** The next regular open meeting of the Edwards County Commissioner Court will be held on the second Tuesday of November, 2018 (November 13, 2018) at 9:00 a.m.

8. **Pay bills.** Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to pay bills; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fry. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

9. **Adjourn.** Commissioner Barnebey made the motion to adjourn; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Epperson. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0. This regular open meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court was adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

APPROVED:

SOULI ASA SHANKLIN

Edwards County Judge

Attest:

OLGA LYDIA REYES

Edwards County and District Clerk