

The State of Texas §

County of Edwards §

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 13th day of February, 2024, at 9:00 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 February 8, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Present were:

Honorable Marty Graham, Commissioner of Precinct One
Honorable Steve Smith, Commissioner of Precinct Two
Honorable Matt Fry, Commissioner of Precinct Three
Honorable Mike Grooms, 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 to the United States Flag and to the Texas State Flag were recited. The Court was led in prayer by Commissioner Fry. The roll was then called by Clerk Reyes. All Commissioners were present.
2. **Open Forum.** County Attorney Moody gave a brief update regarding the SB22 grant contract.
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.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the prior minutes. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any objection, the motion carried 5/0.
 - b. **Burn Ban.** No action taken. Judge Shanklin has the authority to change the status of the burn ban as needed.

c. **Discuss and/or Act upon SB22 for Edwards County Attorney Allen Ray Moody – Judge Shanklin.** No action taken.

d. **Discuss and Act upon 2024 Indigent Defense Grant Program – Judge Shanklin.** Judge Shanklin stated that this item comes before the court on a yearly basis. It is meant to help the County offset the costs of those individuals who are indigent and cannot afford to hire their own attorney. Commissioner Grooms made the motion to approve the County applying for the 2024 Indigent Defense Grant; Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

5. **New Business.** Judge Shanklin gave a brief update on the status of the proposed renovation of the Edwards County Park Building. A minimum of three bids must be obtained before this project can be awarded. Shanklin believes that the total cost of the renovation is \$500,000-\$600,000 because it includes the heating, cooling, electrical, plumbing for the kitchen and bathroom.

6. **Set time and date for next meeting.** The next meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court is scheduled for the second Tuesday of March, 2024 (March 12, 2024).

7. **Pay bills.** Commissioner Grooms made the motion to approve the bills; Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

8. **Adjourn.** Commissioner Graham made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0. This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court was adjourned at 9:06 a.m.

APPROVED:



SOULI ASA SHANKLIN

Edwards County Judge

Attest:



OLGA LYDIA REYES

Edwards County and District Clerk

