

The State of Texas

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County of Edwards

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 9th day of May, 2023, 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 was posted on May 4, 2023 at 1:19 p.m.

Present were:

Honorable Marty Graham, Commissioner of Precinct One

Honorable Stephen 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 was 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.** 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.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the April 2023 Minutes of the Edwards County Commissioners Court. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

b. **Burn Ban.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to leave the burn ban as is; the County Judge has the ability to enact the ban if needed. Commissioner

Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

c. **Discussion of Election Administrator for Edwards County – Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the creation of the position of Election Administrator, a salaried position. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

d. **Discuss and Act upon approval of salary supplement for District Attorney Office Employee Jana Ritter to be paid with funds from the District Attorney Asset Forfeiture Funds – Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Graham made the motion to approve the salary supplement for District Attorney Office Employee Jana Ritter to be paid with funds from the District Attorney Asset Forfeiture Funds. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

e. **Discuss and Act upon Proclamation to declare May 2023 as Community Action Month – Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to declare May 2023 as Community Action Month. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

f. **Discuss and Act upon Proclamation to declare May 2023 as Mental Awareness Month. – Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Grooms made the motion to declare May 2023 as Mental Awareness Month. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

g. **Consider and Act upon Resolution approving submission of Val Verde 2022 Operation Stonegarden Grant Application #3158208. – Carl Esser.** Commissioner Graham made the motion to approve the Resolution approving submission of Val Verde 2022 Operation Stonegarden Grant Application #3158208. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

h. **Discuss and Act upon ARPA Funds Allocation to Standard Allowance for Revenue Loss – Carl Esser.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the

ARPA Funds Allocation to Standard Allowance for Revenue Loss. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

i. Discuss of employee health insurance benefits for 2023-2024 – Bobby Zesch. Mr. Zesch appeared before the Court to discuss the employee insurance benefits for Edwards County. He provided a claims update, a review of the medical benefits, HAS – HRA options, multiple plan options with a 2% load, and he explained the basic differences between BCBS Blue Choice PPT and BCBS Blue Essentials HMS, and presented the Court with the 2023 TAC plan options that were available. No action taken at this time.

j. Discuss and Act upon Preliminary – Correction Plat for L & M Ranch – Sterling Martin – Commissioner Grooms Pct 4. This subdivision was created in the 1990's but it was never recorded at the Clerk's office. Commissioner Grooms made the motion to allow the L & M Ranch to file a Correction Plat for the L & M Ranch. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

k. Discuss and act upon Water Availability Study (Collier Consulting) in partnership with Real-Edwards Conservation & Reclamation District – Judge Shanklin. The County will get a Memorandum of Understanding or Contract from Collier regarding a partnership for the Water Availability Studies. Commissioner Grooms made the motion to approve the Water Availability Study (Collier Consulting) in partnership with Real-Edwards Conservation & Reclamation District. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

l. Discussion on minimum lot size for subdivision regulations. – Judge Shanklin. Sterling Martin led the Court in a discussion regarding the minimum lot size for the subdivision regulations. The court tabled the discussion and will place this item on a future agenda. No action was taken.

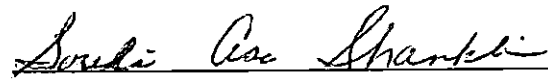
5. New Business. No new business was discussed.

6. **Set time and date for next meeting.** The next meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court is set for the second Tuesday of June, 2023 (June 13, 2023).

7. **Pay bills.** Commissioner Graham made the motion to pay 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.


APPROVED:



SOULI ASA SHANKLIN

Edwards County Judge

Attest:



OLGA LYDIA REYES

Edwards County and District Clerk

