

The State of Texas

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County of Edwards

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 3rd day of August, 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 of the Commissioners' Court of Edwards County, Texas was posted on July 31, 2023 at 9:53 a.m.

Present were:

Honorable Marty Graham, Commissioner of Precinct One

Honorable Stephen Smith, Commissioner of Precinct Two

Honorable Matt Fry, Commissioner of Precinct Three, was absent

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 2:03 o'clock p.m. by Judge Shanklin. The roll was then called by Clerk Reyes. All Commissioners, with the exception of Commissioner Fry, were present.

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

a. **Establish proposed increases of salaries, expenses or allowances for elected county officials and approve publications.** Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the proposed increases of salaries, expenses or allowances for elected county officials and approve publications. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

The salaries will be published on the Edwards County website and on the County Bulletin Boards.

b. **Discuss tax rate; if proposed tax rate will exceed the effective tax rate, take record votes and schedule public hearing if need be.** The rate for Road and Bridge

effective tax rate is .1334. Commissioner Grooms made the motion to approve the proposed tax rate of .1334 for the Road and Bridge effective tax rate. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0. The Clerk polled the Commissioners and recorded the following responses: Commissioner Graham – FOR; Commissioner Smith – FOR; Commissioner Grooms – FOR; County Judge Shanklin – FOR.

The effective tax rate for the General Fund is .5330. Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the effective tax rate for the General Fund. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0. The Clerk polled the Commissioners and recorded the following responses: Commissioner Graham – FOR; Commissioner Smith – FOR; Commissioner Grooms – FOR; County Judge Shanklin – FOR.

The total effective tax rate is .6664. Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the total effective tax rate for Edwards County as being .664. Commissioner Grooms seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0. The Clerk polled the Commissioners and recorded the following responses: Commissioner Graham – FOR; Commissioner Smith – FOR; Commissioner Grooms – FOR; County Judge Shanklin – FOR.

The next public hearing of the effective tax rate will be on August 10, 2023 @ 2:00 p.m. at the Edwards County Courthouse; County Courtroom; 100 Main Street; Rocksprings, Texas 78880.

c. **Discussion of proposed budget for 2023-2024.** Jason Arp appeared before the Court to discuss the budget for the Road and Bridge Department. Commissioner Smith made the motion to approve the proposed budget for the 2023-2024. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

d. **Discuss and Act upon Senate Bill 22 pertaining to the raise for Sheriff, Deputies and Detention Center Jailors and Dispatch.** Commissioner Grooms made the motion to approve the pay raises under Senate Bill 22 pertaining to the raise for Sheriff, Deputies, and Detention Center Jailors and Dispatch.

Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

3. **New Business.** No new business was discussed.

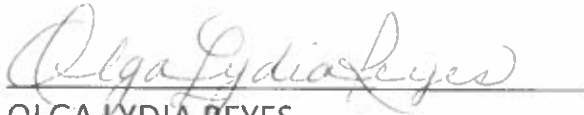
4. **Adjourn.** This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court was adjourned at 2:34o'clock p.m.

APPROVED:



SOULI ASA SHANKLIN
Edwards County Judge

Attest:



OLGA LYDIA REYES
Edwards County and District Clerk

