

The State of Texas

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County of Edwards

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 12th day of July, 2022, 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 Amended Agenda for this Regular Open Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Edwards County, Texas was posted on July 7, 2022 at 1:03 p.m.

Present were:

Honorable Marty Graham, Commissioner of Precinct One

Honorable Lee Sweeten, Commissioner of Precinct Two

Honorable Matt Fry, Commissioner of Precinct Three

Honorable Kenneth Reed, Commissioner of Precinct Four

Honorable Souli Asa Shanklin, County Judge

Honorable Olga Lydia Reyes, County and District Clerk was absent

Sabrina Montoya, County and District Chief Deputy Clerk was present for Clerk

1. **Determination of quorum; Call to Order.** The Open Meeting was called to order at 9:01 o'clock a.m. by Judge Shanklin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Court was led in prayer by Commissioner Reed. Clerk Reyes is absent due to having to attend her clerk seminar. The roll was called by Chief Deputy Montoya. Judge Shanklin and 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 Graham made the motion to approve the prior minutes from June 14, 2022; Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioners noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

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

c. **Discuss and Act upon Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Kerr County and Edwards County for Jail Services – Sheriff J.W. Guthrie.** Judge Shanklin explained that Kerr County has a fully functional ability for hospitalization and medical care in their jail and our county does not. So, if we encounter any issues along these lines, we can send our inmates over there. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Kerr County and Edwards County for Jail Services. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

d. **Discuss and Act upon Memorandum of Understanding is made and entered into by and between the Rocksprings ISD and Edwards County Sheriff's Office – J.W. Guthrie.** Chief Deputy Sheriff Will Allison addressed the Court in Sheriff Guthrie's absence. This is a school agreement that will better prepare law enforcement response at Rocksprings ISD and will encourage better communication for both the school and law enforcement if there is an event at the school that requires action from the Edwards County Sheriff's Office. Training will also take place at the campus so that the officers can learn the exact layout of the school. There is a separate agreement with Nueces Canyon. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding by and between the Rocksprings ISD and Edwards County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

e. **Discuss and potential action on closing the following Barksdale streets segments during school hours – Taylor from Broadway to Market and Market from Taylor to West Washington to include purchasing and placing signs indicating closure – Lee Sweeten.** Judge Shanklin stated that there is a process to get COVID funds that have been given to the school districts and have not been used to be released for security purposes. Commissioner Sweeten stated that this request would simply cover a closure from Monday-Friday during school days from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. This would not pose a problem for locals nor would it affect our Edwards County elections. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to close the following Barksdale streets segments during school hours – Taylor from Broadway to Market and Market from Taylor to West Washington and to approve the purchasing and placing of signs indicating closure. Commissioner Fry

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

f. Discussion and potential action on purchasing electronic gates to place at the intersection of Taylor and Broadway and Market and West Washington to assist the Nueces Canyon CISD with security for high school campus. This to be based upon the school district's ability to acquire funding to place security fencing around the high school campus. – Lee Sweeten. No action taken.

g. Discuss and Act upon Edwards County Employee's to complete the 2022 Cybersecurity Training Program – Judge Shanklin. This is the cybersecurity training that Edwards County employees complete annually. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve all of the Edwards County employees who use computers in their employment to complete the 2022 Cybersecurity Training Program. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

h. Discuss and Act upon equipment purchases for Edwards County Road Department – Judge Shanklin Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the equipment purchases for the Edwards County Road Department. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

i. Discuss and Act on Declaration of Local State of Disaster declaring the existence of an invasion on its border with Mexico. – Judge Shanklin. Judge Shanklin has previously signed a 7-day Declaration and is now seeking for that to be extended. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Declaration of Local State of Disaster declaring the existence of an invasion on its border with Mexico. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0. Later in the meeting, the Court revisited this action item by considering the "Edwards County Resolution Requesting that Governor Greg Abbot Immediately Declare the Continuing Crisis at our Border with Mexico An Invasion" that was put together by Commissioner Sweeten specifically for our Commissioners Court to accompany the Declaration of Local State of Disaster. Judge Shanklin made the motion to approve the "Edwards County Resolution Requesting that Governor Greg Abbot Immediately Declare the Continuing Crisis at our Border with Mexico An

Invasion.” Commissioner Sweeten seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

j. Discuss and Act upon approval for Payment of Salary Supplements to Mason County Treasurer Polly McMillian and Kimble County Treasurer Billie Stewart – Judge Shanklin. Judge Shanklin explained to the Court that these funds for this actionable item were to be taken out of the 452nd Judicial Forfeiture fund. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the payment of salary supplements to Mason County Treasurer Polly McMillian and Kimble County Treasurer Billie Stewart. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

k. Discuss and Act upon Preliminary Plat for Dominion at Wagon Wheel Ranch – Kenneth Reed. Commissioner Reed informed the Court that everything is proceeding smoothly with regards to this subdivision and he made the motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Dominion at Wagon Wheel Ranch; Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

6. Set time and date for next meeting. The next meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court will be on the second Tuesday of August, 2022 (August 9, 2022) at 9:00 a.m. in the Edwards County Courthouse, County Courtroom, Second Floor, located at 100 Main Street; Rocksprings, Texas 78880.

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

8. Adjourn. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0. This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court was adjourned at 9:48 o'clock a.m.

APPROVED:

Souli Asa Shanklin

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Edwards County Judge

Attest:

Olga Lydia Reyes

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Edwards County and District Clerk

