

The State of Texas

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County of Edwards

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BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 10th day of January, 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 January 5, 2023 at 2:06 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

Victoria Franco, 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 Deputy Clerk Franco. All Commissioners were present.

2. **Open Forum.** There were no speakers present for 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.**

December 13, 2022. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the minutes from December 13, 2022 meeting; Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

b. **Burn Ban.** No action taken; the burn ban will remain as is, with the County Judge having the authority to reinstate it if needed.

c. **Motion to approve First Year Motions**

i. **Motion to Declare County Court a Continuous Term**

ii. **Motion for County Judge to Sign Vouchers and In Vacation Bills**

iii. **Motion for County Treasurer to Make Transfers as Needed for Payroll, Payroll Taxes, etc.**

iv. **Motion for County Treasurer to Write Checks for County Expenses as follows: Withholding Taxes, Social Security Payments, Treasurer's Fees to the State Treasurer, Insurance Premiums, Stamps and Postage for County Officers from the United States Postal Service, All Electric Bills, Fund Transfers From Government Programs, etc., as we have them in operation, and County Trapper Salaries.**

v. **Motion to Place County Officials on Salary Basis**

vi. **Motion to Appoint Edward County Health Officer for 2023**

See attached First of the Year Motions which are duly incorporated into these minutes as if set forth verbatim herein.

d. **Selection of Salary Grievance Committee members for 2023. – Olga Lydia Reyes.** The Commissioners Court selected the names of the Salary Grievance Committee from the list of last year's Grand Jury panels. Commissioner Matt Fry drew the names for the 2023 Salary Grievance Committee members. Those names selected by random drawing are as follows:

- (1) Lee McKinnerney - *yes*
- (2) Alicia Arredondo - *yes*
- (3) Elpidio (Pete) Reyes - *yes*
- (4) Armandina Guerra
- (5) Jodie Greene - *yes*

Alternates:

- (1) Reynaldo Ruiz
- (2) Deborah Johnson Holder

Commissioner Grooms made a motion to approve the list of citizens appointed to the Salary Grievance Committee. These individuals will be contacted by written correspondence from the County Judge's Administrative Assistant to inquire if they would be willing to serve as requested by the Commissioners Court. If any person declines the appointment, the alternates will be contacted in the same manner. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

e. Approve and/or discuss the quotes from Snider IT and Southwest Texas Telephone Co. for election security IT services for the Edwards County Clerk's Office as recommended by the Texas Secretary of State. – Olga Lydia Reyes. Snider Technology IT Services provided a quote of \$963.71 for their installation/support for Election Security IT services for the Clerk's Office. Southwest Texas Telephone Company provided a quote of \$135.00/router; \$4.00/filter, \$12.00/Service Order Charge; \$70.00/hour for labor. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the quote from Snider Technology and SWTTC for election security IT services for the Edwards County Clerk's Office as recommended. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

5. New Business. Matt Fry inquired about updating our Subdivision Regulations. This matter, and that of hydrology studies and the protection of our water, will be placed on next month's agenda. Judge Shanklin said that he proposed also

putting on the agenda that Edwards County would, in the future, no longer be approving any subdivision of 80 acres or less. Any subdivision that existed prior to February 2023 would be grandfathered in.

6. **Time and Date for Next Meeting.** The next meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court is scheduled for the second Tuesday of February, 2023 (February 14, 2023).

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

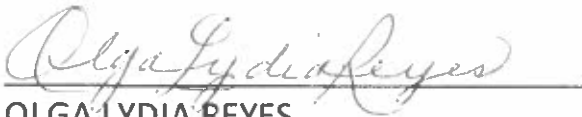
8. **Adjourn.** Commissioner Grooms made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0. This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court was adjourned at 9:33 o'clock a.m.

APPROVED:



SOULI ASA SHANKLIN
Edwards County Judge

Attest:



OLGA LYDIA REYES
Edwards County and District Clerk

EDWARDS COUNTY RESOLUTION 2023

WHEREAS, The Edwards County Commissioners Court finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Edwards County that the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program for Edwards County FY 24 be implemented; and


WHEREAS, The Edwards County Commissioners Court agrees to provide applicable matching funds for the said project as required by the Governor's Office; and

WHEREAS, The Edwards County Commissioners Court agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, Edwards County Commissioners Court assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full.

WHEREAS, The Edwards County Commissioners Court designates the Edwards County Judge as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

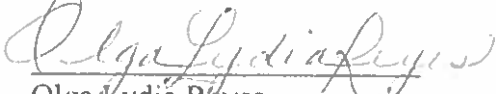
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The Edwards County Commissioners Court approves submission of the grant application for the Edward Byrne Memorial Grant Program for Edwards County FY 24 to the Office of the Governor.

Passed and Approved this 14th day of February 2023.



Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge
Edwards County, Texas

ATTEST:



Olga Lydia Reyes
Edwards County Clerk
Edwards County, Texas

Grant Number: 3985302

FIRST OF THE YEAR MOTIONS

MOTION TO PLACE COUNTY OFFICIALS ON A SALARY BASIS

On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion to Place the County Officials on a Salary Basis, with all four Commissioners and the County Judge voting in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:

Souli Asa Shanklin
Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge

MOTION TO DECLARE COUNTY COURT A CONTINUOUS TERM

On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion that the County Court is declared to be for a continuous term for the calendar year starting January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023, with all four Commissioners and the County Judge voting in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:

Souli Asa Shanklin
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Edwards County Judge

MOTION FOR COUNTY TREASURER TO MAKE QUARTERLY OR MONTHLY TRANSFERS TO PAY TAXES

On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion that the Edwards County Treasurer be authorized to make quarterly or monthly transfers to pay Social Security and Withholding Taxes, with the Edwards County and District Clerk countersigning the checks, with all four Commissioners and the County Judge voting in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:



Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge

MOTION TO APPOINT EDWARDS COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion that Dr. Jackson, with the Rocksprings Health Clinic, was appointed as County Health Officer for a two year period, which started January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, with all four Commissioners and the County Judge voting in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:



Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge

**MOTION FOR COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN VOUCHERS AND IN VACATION
BILLS**

On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion that the Edwards County Judge be authorized to sign vouchers for salary checks and In Vacation bills for the year of 2023, with all four Commissioners and the County Judge voting in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:



Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge

**MOTION FOR COUNTY TREASURER TO WRITE CHECKS FOR COUNTY
EXPENSES**


On a motion made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Smith, the Court approved the Motion that the Edwards County Treasurer be authorized to write checks for the following items when necessary, and as they become due and payable, each month, with the Edwards County and District Clerk countersigning the checks:

Withholding taxes, social security payments, Treasurer's fees to the State Comptroller, insurance premiums, stamps and postage for County officers from the United States Post Office, all electric bills, fund transfers from government programs, etc., as we have them in operation, and County trapper salaries.

All four Commissioners and the County Judge voted in favor of such motion. No discussion. Motion carried 5/0.

Date: February 14, 2023

APPROVED:



Souli Asa Shanklin
Edwards County Judge