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**County of Edwards** 

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**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, 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 November 4, 2021.

## 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

- 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 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.

**October 12, 2021.** Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the minutes from October 12, 2021; Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioners noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.

b. Burn Ban. No action taken.

- c. Discuss and take final action on discussion of special session open public hearing meeting for findings of facts regarding Edwards County redistricting of precinct political boundaries. Judge Shanklin. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to adopt the Edwards County redistricting of precinct political boundaries as shown on the map provided to the Court by Allison, Bass & Associates, LLP; Commissioner Fry seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.
- d. Discuss and possible action on resolution regarding senate bill 8 to return funds from the Federal American Rescue Plan of 2021- Lee Sweeten. Commissioner Sweeten addressed the Court. He stated that the reasoning behind this action item is the discovery that the acceptance of these funds comes with conditions that every person who ultimately benefits from these funds will be subject to obeying federal mandates, which include, but are not limited to, being mandated to take the COVID-19 vaccine. Judge Shanklin stated that Edwards County will not obligate its citizens to obey federal mandates or take a vaccine, saying that medical decisions are up to each individual. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Resolution Regarding Senate Bill 8 to Return Funds from the Federal American Rescue Plan of 2021. Judge Shanklin seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.
- e. Discussion and act upon the Official Ballot for Board of Directors for Edwards County Central Appraisal District for the year 2022-2023. Judge Shanklin. Judge Shanklin announced that Edwards County's two representatives to the Board of Directors for the Edwards County Central Appraisal District are Max Martin and Craig Wolcott; Edwards County has received 2025 votes to use in the election for the ECAD Board of Directors. It was discussed that Edwards County will distribute these votes by casting 1,012 for Max Martin and by casting 1,013 for Craig Wolcott. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the casting of Edwards County's votes in the manner described in the election for the Board of Directors for Edwards County Central Appraisal District for the year 2022-2023;

- Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.
- f. Discuss and Act upon Approval of Edwards County Holiday/Observances for 2022- Judge Shanklin. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Edwards County Holiday/Observances for 2022; Commissioner Graham seconded the motion and Commissioner Sweeten abstained from voting. The motion carried 4/0, with 1 abstention.
- g. Discuss and possible action for Canvass of Votes for November 2, 2021 General Election. Olga Lydia Reyes. The Court canvassed the vote from the November 2, 2021 Constitutional Amendment Election. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Canvass of Votes for the November 2, 2021 Constitutional Election; Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.
- h. Discuss and Act upon Final Plat for Texana Oaks Ranch Matt Fry. Commissioner Fry stated that everything is in order for this subdivision. Commissioner Fry made the motion to approve the Final Plat for Texana Oaks Ranch; Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0.
- 5. **New Business.** No new business was discussed.
- 6. **Set time and Date for Next Meeting.** The next Regular Open Meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court will be on the second Tuesday of December, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. (December 14, 2021)
- 7. **Pay Bills.** Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to pay 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 Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 5/0. This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioner Court adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

**APPROVED:** 

SOULI ASA SHANKLIN

**Edwards County Judge** 

Attest:

OLGA LYDIA REYES

**Edwards County and District Clerk**