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**BE IT REMEMBERED** that on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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 October 7, 2021.

Present were:

Honorable Marty Graham, Commissioner of Precinct One

Honorable Lee Sweeten, Commissioner of Precinct Two

Honorable Matt Fry, Commissioner of Precinct Three, was absent

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 9:04 o'clock a.m. by Judge Shanklin. The Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas State Flag were recited. The Court was led in prayer by Commissioner Reed. The roll was then called. All Commissioners, with the exception of Commissioner Matt Fry, 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.**

**September 14, 2021.** Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the minutes from September 14, 2021. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

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

c. **Discuss and Act upon Preliminary Plat for Newby Hills Ranch North Subdivision. Commissioner Matt Fry.** Judge Shanklin informed the Court that prior to today's session, Commissioner Fry contacted him to let him know that everything was in order with regards to this Preliminary Plat. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Preliminary Plat for Newby Hills Ranch North Subdivision; Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

d. **Discuss and Act upon Re-Plat of Mail Trail Valley Ranch Subdivision Phase II, Re-plat of Tract 20A into 20B and 20C – Matt Fry.** Judge Shanklin informed the Court that this property is located within Precinct 3 and Commissioner Fry has no objection to this item. Commissioner Graham made the motion to approve the Re-Plat of Mail Trail Valley Ranch Subdivision Phase II, Re-plat of Tract 20A into 20B and 20C; Commissioner Sweeten seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

e. **Discuss and Act upon License Agreement between Edwards County, Texas and Financial Intelligence. Treasurer Lupe Enriquez.** JoBeth Moffett informed the Court that Financial Intelligence had bought out Hill Country Software, which is the software used by the Treasurer's Office. This license agreement would cover an upgrade to that software. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the License Agreement between Edwards County, Texas and Financial Intelligence; Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

f. **Consider and Act upon Resolution to Apply for 2022 Indigent Defense Grant – Carl Esser.** Judge Shanklin informed the Court that this grant is requested every

year and helps to cover the fees paid to court-appointed attorneys in criminal cases. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Resolution to Apply for the 2022 Indigent Defense Grant. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**g. Discuss and Act upon Resolution to Apply to Governor's Office for Operation Lone Star Grant. Matching Funds are not required. –Carl Esser.** Judge Shanklin stated that this grant had come about as a result of the continuing border crisis. The Governor's office requested that the Sheriffs of the counties affected by this crisis come up with a budget request for reimbursement of our expenditures due to this crisis, such as, but not limited to, increased court-appointed attorney fees and inmate health care. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Resolution to Apply to Governor's Office for Operation Lone Star Grant. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**h. Discuss and Act upon the Nomination of Board of Directors for Edwards County Appraisal District for 2022-2023 - Judge Shanklin.** Judge Shanklin announced that Edwards County will have 2,025 votes allotted to it in the nomination process for the Board of Directors for the ECAD. Edwards County's votes should go to its' representatives, Max Martin and Craig Wolcott. Both gentlemen are willing to serve. Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Nomination of Max Martin and Craig Wolcott as Edwards County's representatives to the Board of Directors for the Edwards County Appraisal District for 2022-2023 and that they should receive Edwards County's allotted votes. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**i. Discuss and Act upon the Declaration of Local State of Disaster and Order Regarding Inspection. Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to approve the Declaration of Local State of Disaster and Order Regarding Inspection. Commissioner Graham seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**j. Discuss and Act upon Memorandum of Understanding with Kimble County on Border Security Operation Lone Star. Sheriff J.W. Guthrie.** Sheriff Guthrie stated that this agenda item would involve an Interlocal agreement with Kimble County to provide additional personnel as necessary to provide law enforcement functions. This would be a mutual aid agreement between counties. Commissioner Graham made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Kimble County on Border Security Operation Lone Star. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**k. Discuss and Act upon Resolution for the 2020 Help America Vote/HAVA Grant Assurances Election Security Sub Grant to Texas Counties. Judge Shanklin.** Commissioner Graham made the motion to approve the Resolution for the 2020 Help America Vote/HAVA Grant Assurances Election Security Sub Grant to Texas Counties. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**5. New Business.** Judge Shanklin announced that the Tax Assessor/Collector's office will be getting an upgrade in voter registration software. Lori Ruiz, the Tax Assessor/Collector, has been asked to obtain three bids from companies that offer this software that would take the voter registration information from cardstock to digitization.

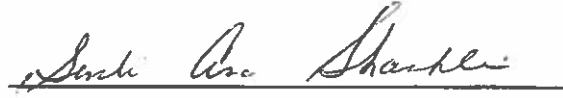
**6. Set time and date for next meeting.** The next regular open meeting of the Edwards County Commissioners Court will be on the second Tuesday in November (November 9, 2021) at 9:00 a.m.

**7. Pay bills.** Commissioner Reed made the motion to pay the bills; Commissioner Sweeten seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion carried 4/0.

**8. Adjourn.** Commissioner Sweeten made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Reed seconded the motion. No Commissioner noting any opposition, the motion

carried 4/0. This meeting of the Edwards County Commissioner Court adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

APPROVED:



SOULI ASA SHANKLIN  
Edwards County Judge

Attest:



OLGA LYDIA REYES  
Edwards County and District Clerk

