Hays County ESD #4—Wimberley Fire Rescue Meeting Minutes for the Board of Commissioners for A Public Hearing and Special Meeting to Adopt Tax Rate August 18, 2020



- 1. President Ron Spangenberg called the meeting to order at 8:33a.m.
- 2. Commissioners present were Ron Spangenberg, Joe Pendleton, Chuck Ware, and Eddie Gumbert. Angel Robinson was in attendance. A quorum was present.
- 3. Public Comment: No Public were present nor signed in.
- 4. Consider taking action regarding budget for fiscal year October 1, 2020 to September 20, 2021: President Spangenberg presented a comparison of FY 2019 - 2020 budget to this FY 2020 - 2021 budget. He stated the cost for Worker's Compensation Insurance in FY 2019-2020was \$21,500. The estimated cost for the same Worker's Compensation Insurance for FY 2020 – 2021 has increased to \$42,000. Other options are being looked at. Renewal is in January 2021. President Spangenberg reviewed staff salaries, training for TCFP certification and the proposed increases for both included in the new year's budget. A Motion to adopt the proposed budget in the amount of \$1,719,521 for the period October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021 was made by Mr. Chuck Ware and seconded by Mr. Joe Pendleton. There was no additional discussion. The Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposal to increase property taxes. President Spangenberg stated this Hearing is conducted to present the proposal of the tax rate. No member of the public was present. No public discussion.
- 6. Take a record vote on the District's 2020 tax rate, adopt an Order Levying Taxes, authorize filing of the Order with Hays County Tax Assessor/Collector; Chuck Ware, Treasurer of the Board stated "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .05 cents which is effectively a 3.6294 % increase in the tax rate." The Motion was seconded by Mr. Eddie Gumbert. Record votes as the Motion passed with Board of Commissioners members Mr. Eddie Gumbert, "Aye"; Mr. Joe Pendleton, "Aye"; Mr. Chuck Ware, "Aye"; and President Ron Spangenberg abstaining. The Record shows Mr. John White, Secretary, was not present and did not cast a vote. The Motion passed.
- 7. Acknowledge and approve posting of the statement regarding adopted tax rate to home page of the District website. President Spangenberg reviewed the language that is required to be accessible on the District's website "HAYS COUNTY ESD NO. 4 ADOPTED A TAX RATE THAT WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE. THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 3.6294 PERCENT AND WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON A \$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$1.72." A Motion to acknowledge this language and approve its placement on the District's website was made by Mr. Joe Pendleton and seconded by Mr. Eddie Gumbert. There was no additional discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Adjourn; President Spangenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:56 a.m.

Respectfully

John White, Secretary

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