

**COMMISSIONERS COURT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
AUGUST 18, 2020**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in a Special Meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner Court Meeting Room, Kaufman Texas with the following members present: **Hal Richards**, County Judge; **Mike Hunt**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; **Skeet Phillips**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **Terry Barber**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **Ken Cates**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; **Laura Hughes**, County Clerk.

**INVOCATION;  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG;  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG;  
REMARKS FROM VISITORS;**

**ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

2. There came on to be a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Accept Commissioners Court Minutes for August 7, 2020.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING SPECIAL MEETING**

**AND ENTER INTO PUBLIC HEARING**

3. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Special Meeting and enter into a Public Hearing to receive input from the public regarding the following items:

4. Adoption of the Kaufman County Clerk's Record Archive Funding Plan, pursuant to Local Government Code §118.025(g).

5. Adoption of the Kaufman County District Court Records Archive Fee - \$10.00, pursuant to Local Government Code §51.305(b) District Court Records Technology Fund.

6. Proposed Budget for FY 2020-2021.

7. Proposed Tax Rate for FY 2020-2021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing was held. No one from the public spoke on the topics.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING PUBLIC HEARING**

**AND ENTER INTO SPECIAL MEETING**

8. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Public Hearing and enter into Special Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE FUNDING OF ARCHIVE PLAN**

9. There came on to be a motion to approve the Kaufman County Clerk's Records Archive Funding Plan, pursuant to Local Government Code §118.025(g).

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE ARCHIVE PLAN**

10. There came on to be a motion to approve the District Court Records Archive Plan, pursuant to Local Government Code §51.305(b) District Court Records Technology Fund.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE SETTING SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

11. There came on to be a motion to approve setting salaries, expenses and other allowances for Elected County and Precinct Officers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Hunt and seconded by Commissioner Ken Cates.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**DISCUSSION**

12. Discussion on the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget.

**MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET**

13. There came on to be a motion to adopt Budget of Record for Fiscal Year 2020-2021, with proposal to reallocate \$18,397 from Terrell Library to Wage Study Fund.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a record vote with Commissioner Mike Hunt, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commissioner Terry Barber, Commissioner Ken Cates and County Judge Hal Richards voting 'for'. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE DEBT SERVICE TAX RATE**

14. There came on to be a motion to approve setting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Debt Service Tax Rate as 0.069704.

Motion was made Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a record vote with Commissioner Mike Hunt, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commissioner Terry Barber, Commissioner Ken Cates and County Judge Hal Richards voting 'for'. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS AND ROAD AND BRIDGE TAX RATES**

15. There came on to be a motion to approve setting the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate as 0.346618 and Road and Bridge Tax Rate as 0.088635.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a record vote with Commissioner Mike Hunt, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commissioner Terry Barber, Commissioner Ken Cates and County Judge Hal Richards voting 'for'. Motion carried and is so ordered.

### **MOTION TO RATIFY TAX RATE**

16. There came on to be a motion that the Property Tax Rate be decreased by the adoption of a Tax Rate of 0.504957, which is effectively a 5.99 percent (5.99%) decrease in the Tax Rate.

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| Maintenance & Operation        | 0.346618 |
| Road & Bridge Fund             | 0.088635 |
| Interest and Sinking Fund Rate | 0.069704 |
| Total Tax Rate                 | 0.504957 |

This Tax Rate will raise more taxes for Maintenance and Operations than last year's Tax Rate.

Motion was made by County Judge Hal Richards and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a record vote with Commissioner Mike Hunt, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commission Terry Barber, Commissioner Ken Cates and County Judge Hal Richards voting 'for'. Motion carried and is so ordered.

### **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

17. There came on to be a motion to approve a Resolution for the County Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There came on to be a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

I, Laura Hughes, County Clerk of Kaufman County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

*Laura Hughes*

Laura Hughes, County Clerk

