

Ector County Commissioners' Court

September 04, 2025

6:00 PM

Commissioners' Courtroom, Ector County Administration Building Annex, 1010 E. 8th St., Odessa, Texas

CALL TO ORDER- JUDGE DUSTIN FAWCETT

Dustin Fawcett, County Judge
Mike Gardner, Commissioner Precinct #1
Samantha Russell, Commissioner Precinct #3
Billy Hall, Commissioner Precinct #4
Minutes taken by Jennifer Martin, County Clerk
Absent:

Greg Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2 (joined via cell)

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

INVOCATION- COMMISSIONER GREG SIMONS

The invocation was led by Judge Fawcett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- UNITED STATES AND TEXAS

Commissioner Gardner led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and the pledge of allegiance to the Texas flag.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL

1. Public Hearing: 2025-2026 Tax Rate, Shelby Rigtrup- Public Information Officer To conduct a public hearing regarding the 2025-2026 Tax Rate.

Minutes Attachments

1. Public Hearing_ 2025-2026 Tax Rate - 1.pdf

Judge Fawcett gave a presentation regarding the current proposed tax rate.

Jeff Russell, 1703 Redbud — addressed the court against the property tax rate being raised.

Jesse "Shawn" Callendar - addressed the court in favor of the proposed tax rate.

Anthony Robles, 521 N. Grant - addressed the court with a neutral opinion of the proposed tax rate and discussed the condition of the current courthouse.

Angela McDonald, 2813 Santa Rosa - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate

increase.

Veronica Janosick, 2102 N. Washington Ave. - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

Gene Burns, 7611 Doonmore St. - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

Billy Harless, 2608 Santa Monica - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

Michelle Villanueva Subia, 2260 Linda Ave. - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase with specific concern for commercial property increases.

Mark Sredanovich, 3123 Blossom Lane - addressed the court with questions regarding the state limits on taxation and against the proposed tax rate increase.

Christine Samples, 6434 W. 22nd - addressed the court against the tax rate increase.

Jim Fletcher, 1519 Pagewood - addressed the court against the tax rate increase and regarding his discouragement over the amount of tax abatements given by the court.

Dawn Tucker, 6209 Mecca - addressed the court against the tax rate increase.

Jim Moody, 1544 S. Shawnee Trail - addressed the court against the courthouse and the proposed tax rate increase.

Joe Soto, 561 Wein Rd. - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

Jay Davidson, 3863 N. Sierra - spoke regarding the ESD being a larger tax increase than the courthouse and the court not having any control over it. He also spoke against the proposed tax rate increase.

Annette Sanders - Spoke regarding being a senior and being taxed out of her home. Encouraged the court to have awareness of seniors and she also spoke against the proposed tax rate.

Daniel Lucero, 3033 N. Galahad - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

Max Dean, 6730 w. 25th - addressed the court against the proposed tax rate increase.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

ADJOURN

Time: 7:16 P.M.

With no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Russell with a second by Commissioner Gardner. MOTION PASSED 4-0

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ECTOR

I, Jennifer Martin, County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Proceedings for the meeting held on the above date.

September 12, 2025 at 02:32 PM

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Jennifer Martin, Ector County Clerk