

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 2, 2015**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in Special Meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Kaufman County Commissioners Court Meeting Room with the following members present to wit: **Bruce Wood**, County Judge; **Jimmy Joe Vrzalik**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; **Skeet Phillips**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **Kenneth Schoen**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **Jakie Allen**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; **Laura Hughes**, County Clerk.

ITEM 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to Order at 9:30 a.m.

ITEM 2. **MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING SPECIAL MEETING**
AND ENTERING INTO PUBLIC HEARING

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Special Meeting and entering into a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 3. **PUBLIC HEARING**

Several members from the public spoke on this topic. Jean Kolar; Ronnie Oldfield; Pam Corder; Chief Bryan Beavers; Donna Gehl; Jolie Stewart; Laura Hughes; Karen MacLeod.

ITEM 4. **MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING PUBLIC HEARING**
AND ENTERING INTO SPECIAL MEETING

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Public Hearing and entering into the Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 5. **MOTION TO APPROVE SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve setting salaries, expenses and other allowances of all elected county and precinct officers. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 6. **MOTION TO ADOPT BUDGET**

There came on to be considered a motion to adopt the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget for Kaufman County, including changes presented by Auditor and County Clerk for Records Archive Fund. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Judge Bruce Wood and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote with Commissioner Jakie Allen, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and County Judge Bruce Wood voting 'aye' and Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik voting 'nay'. Motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 7.

MOTION TO RATIFY PROPERTY TAX RATE

There came on to a considered a motion to ratify the Property Tax Rate of \$0.5762 per \$100 value, raising more revenue from property taxes than in the previous year as required by the budget. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Judge Bruce Wood and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote with all Commissioners and County Judge Bruce Wood voting 'aye'. Motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 8.

MOTION TO APPROVE ADOPTING TAX RATE

There came on to be considered a motion to approve that the Property Tax Rate be increased by the adoption of a Tax Rate of: \$0.5762, which is effectively a 2.05 percent (2.05%) increase in the Tax Rate: Maintenance and Operation Tax Rate - \$0.4398; Road & Bridge Fund - \$0.0867, Interest & Sinking Fund Rate - \$0.0497. Total Tax Rate - \$0.5762. This tax rate will raise more taxes for Maintenance and Operations than last year's tax rate. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Judge Bruce Wood and seconded by Commissioner Jackie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 9.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There came on to be considered a motion to adjourn Special Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

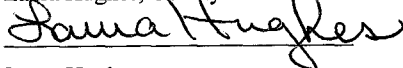
Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT 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, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas



Laura Hughes
County Clerk

