



**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SPECIAL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

David Dunn, President  
Bryn Dodd, Vice President  
Will Kappauf  
Syliva Rodriguez-Sanchez  
Don Hallmark  
Wallace Dunn  
Kathy Rhodes

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Russell Tippin, President/Chief Executive Officer  
John Grigson, Interim Chief Financial Officer  
Steve Steen, Chief Legal Counsel  
Matt Collins, Chief Operating Officer  
Kim Leftwich, Interim Chief Nursing Officer  
Dr. Timothy Benton, Chief Medical Officer  
Gingie Sredanovich, Chief Compliance and Privacy Officer  
Grant Trollope, Assistant Chief Financial Officer  
Kerstin Connolly, Paralegal  
Lisa Russell, Executive Assistant to the CEO  
Various other interested members of the Medical Staff, Employees,  
and Citizens

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

David Dunn called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room of Medical Center Hospital. Notice of the meeting was properly posted as required by the Open Meetings Act.

**II. ROLL CALL**

David Dunn called roll of the ECHD Board Members. All members were present. Wallace Dunn moved, and Don Hallmark seconded the motion to accept the roll call. The motion carried.

**III. PROPOSED 2025 AD VALOREM TAX RATE FOR THE 2026 BUDGET YEAR**

John Grigson, Interim Chief Financial Officer, stated the voter approval tax rate is \$0.134344 per \$100 valuation for 2025 and the no new revenue tax rate is \$0.093205 per \$100 valuation for 2025. The proposed tax rate is \$0.133344 per \$100 valuation for 2025.

No action was taken.

#### IV. PUBLIC HEARING

David Dunn stated *"The Special Meeting of the ECHD Board of Directors is open to accept comments from the public regarding the proposed 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate. For those wishing to make public comments and who have not already done so, please sign in with Ms. Connolly. Comments to the Board will be limited to 3 minutes. Counsel will give each speaker a 1-minute warning prior to the expiration of the 3-minute time limit."*

No members of the public requested to address the ECHD Board of Directors.

Board member Kathy Rhodes read a prepared statement in favor of the tax rate increase.

#### V. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2025 AD VALOREM TAX RATE

Wallace Dunn moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.133344, which is effectively a 31.78% increase in the tax rate. The ad valorem tax rate of \$0.013726 per \$100 valuation for Interest and Sinking Fund and \$0.119618 per \$100 valuation for Maintenance and Operations with a total tax rate of \$0.133344 for tax year. 2025. Don Hallmark seconded the motion to approve the 2025 ad valorem tax rate as presented. The following vote took place:

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|--------------------------|-----|
| Bryn Dodd                | No  |
| Will Kappauf             | No  |
| Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez | Yes |
| David Dunn               | Yes |
| Don Hallmark             | Yes |
| Wallace Dunn             | Yes |
| Kathy Rhodes             | Yes |

There being five votes for and two vote against, the resolution passed.

**TAX RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
IN ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS**

On the 18th day of September 2025, at a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors for the Ector County Hospital District (ECHD), a government entity, held in the City of Odessa, Ector County, Texas with a quorum of the Board Members present, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the ECHD has been duly organized in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the ad valorem taxes be levied for the Maintenance and Operations and Interest and Sinking Fund of ECHD for the fiscal year 2026 and tax year 2025;

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor-Collector has certified and published a No-New-Revenue tax rate for 2025 of \$0.093205 on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of valuation, and ECHD requests a proposed tax rate of \$0.133344 on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of valuation as required by the Texas Tax Code;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the ECHD has complied with all procedural requirements for the setting of the 2025 ad valorem tax rate as specified by the Texas Tax Code; and

WHEREAS, upon motion made by Wallace Dunn and seconded by Don Hallmark to pass, approve and adopt this Resolution setting the ad valorem tax rate for 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of ECHD to adopt the following ad valorem tax rate:

\$0.013726 per \$100 valuation for Interest and Sinking Fund and  
\$0.119618 per \$100 valuation for Maintenance and Operations with  
a total tax rate of \$0.133344 per \$100 valuation for tax year 2025.

THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

**THE TAX RATE WILL EFFECTIVELY BE RAISED BY 40.11 PERCENT AND  
WILL RAISE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS ON AT  
\$100,000 HOME BY APPROXIMATELY \$34.25.**

**THE FOLLOWING VOTE WAS RECORDED:**

|                                       |                                          |                                         |                                  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Bryn Dodd (District 1)                | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>            | No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Will Kappauf (District 2)             | Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>            | No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Sylvia Rodriguez-Sanchez (District 3) | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/>            | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| David Dunn (District 4)               | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/>            | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Don Hallmark (District 5)             | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/>            | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wallace Dunn (District 6)             | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/>            | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Kathy Rhodes (District 7)             | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | No: <input type="checkbox"/>            | Absent: <input type="checkbox"/> |

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that, upon the adoption of this Resolution, the Board of Directors of the ECHD shall certify to a copy of this Resolution and forward to the Ector County Assessor and Collector of Taxes.

This Resolution shall take effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

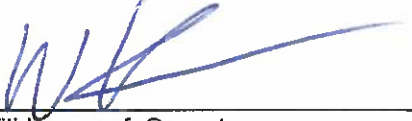
  
David Dunn, President  
Ector County Hospital District  
Board of Directors

  
Will Kappauf, Secretary  
Ector County Hospital District  
Board of Directors

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, David Dunn adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Will Kappauf', is written over a horizontal line.

Will Kappauf, Secretary  
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors