

**ECTOR COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 – 5:15 p.m.**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Dunn, President
Bryn Dodd, Vice President
Will Kappauf
Syliva Rodriguez-Sanchez
Don Hallmark
Wallace Dunn

MEMBERS ABSENT: 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, Chief Nursing 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 5:15 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. Kathy Rhodes had an excused absence. 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 \$0.134344 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."*

There were two members of the public who requested to address the ECHD Board of Directors. Larry Robinson and Bobby Janosick addressed the ECHD Board of Directors.

After the public comments were received, Mr. Dunn asked if there were additional public comments regarding the 2025 Ad Valorem Tax Rate. There were no further comments from the public.

V. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2025 AD VALOREM TAX RATE

Don Hallmark moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.134344, which is effectively a 33.84% increase in the tax rate. The ad valorem tax rate of \$0.013726 per \$100 valuation for Interest and Sinking Fund and \$0.120618 per \$100 valuation for Maintenance and Operations with a total tax rate of \$0.134344 for tax year. 2025. Wallace Dunn seconded the motion to approve the 2025 ad valorem tax rate as presented. The following vote took place:

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

There being three votes for and three vote against, the resolution ended in a tie, and the motion did not pass.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, David Dunn adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,



Will Kappauf, Secretary
Ector County Hospital District Board of Directors