

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Randall County Commissioners' Court will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 4.81 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on September 1, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Randall County Commissioners' Courtroom, 400 16th Street, County Square North Annex, Canyon, Texas 79015.

The second public hearing will be held on September 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at Randall County Commissioners' Courtroom, 400 16th Street, County Square North Annex, Canyon, Texas 79015.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Ernie Houdashell, Buddy DeFord, Robert Karrh, Gene Parker, George "Skip" Huskey

AGAINST:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Randall County last year was \$137,523. Based on last year's tax rate of \$.36062 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$495.94.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Randall County this year is \$140,397. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$.35438 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$497.54.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$.37144 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$521.49.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Special Provisions

Criminal Justice Mandate

The Randall County Auditor certifies that Randall County has spent \$252,237 in the previous 12 months beginning July 1, 2008 for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The Randall County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.