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Jennifer Palermo

County Clerk, Hockley County, Texas

**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court will be held on Monday, the 7th day of August, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Hockley County Courthouse, Levelland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit:

1. Read for approval the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court held Monday, July 31, 2023.
2. Consider for approval all monthly bills and claims submitted to the Court dated through August 7, 2023.
3. Hear the monthly Public Assistance report.
4. Submission of the 2023 no-new-revenue tax rate and voter-approval tax rate to the Court by Debra Bramlett, Tax Assessor.
5. Consider and take necessary action to approve the 2024 Hockley County holidays.
6. Consider and take necessary action to approve the 2024 Safety Incentive Program for Hockley County full time employees.
7. Review the July 2023 fire runs as submitted by the City of Levelland.
8. Consider and take necessary action to Nunc Pro Tunc item 1 from the agenda for July 31, 2023 that is shown in the minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court to read as follows:
 1. Read for approval the minutes of the following Regular Meetings:
 - a. Monday, July 24, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Monday, July 24, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.
 - c. Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

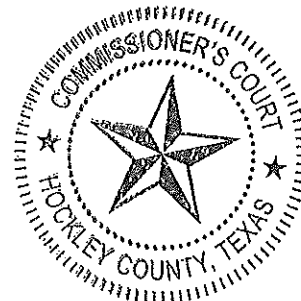
COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS.

BY: *Sharla Baldrige*
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse of Hockley County, Texas, as place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 3rd day of August, 2023, and said Notice remained posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2023.

Jennifer Palermo
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio
Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Hockley County, Texas



THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT
OF HOCKEY COUNTY, TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 7, 2023

Be it remembered that on this the 7th day of AUGUST A.D. 2023, there came on to be held a REGULAR Meeting of the Commissioners Court, and the court having convened in REGULAR session at the usual meeting place thereof at the Courthouse in Levelland, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Sharla Baldrige		County Judge
Alan Wisdom		Commissioner Precinct No. 1
Larry Carter	ABSENT	Commissioner Precinct No. 2
Seth Graf		Commissioner Precinct No. 3
Thomas R "Tommy" Clevenger	ABSENT	Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

Motion by Commissioner Graf, second by Commissioner Wisdom, 2 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court, held on July 31, 2023, be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Graf, 2 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that all monthly claims and bills submitted to the court and dated through August 7, 2023, A.D. be approved and stand as read.

Hear the monthly Public Assistance report for July 2023 from Cara Phelan.

Submission of the 2023 no-new-revenue tax rate and voter-approval tax rate to the Court by Debra Bramlett, Tax Assessor.



HOCKLEY COUNTY PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

DISPOSITIONS OF APPLICATIONS & REQUEST FOR PAYMENT

JULY 2023

Hockley County Public Assistance Administrator, Cara Phelan presents the following requests for financial assistance to the Hockley County Commissioner's Court.

SUMMARY OF APPROVED ASSISTANCE REQUESTS				
APPLICANT	PHYSICAL ADDRESS	ASSISTANCE REQUEST		ASSISTANCE
		RENT	UTILITY	
Fullen, Melinda	3541 Maverick Rd., Levelland		X	\$75.00
Jordan, Kristina	105 S. Alamo Rd. #72, Levelland	X		\$150.00
Wooley, Barbara	Levelland Manor Apts #33, Levelland	X		\$146.00
TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE APPROVED				\$371.00
SUMMARY OF DENIED ASSISTANCE REQUEST				
APPLICANT	REQUEST	REASON FOR DENIAL		
White, Irvina	Rental Assistance	Received assistance in June-not eligible for July		
Cruz, Rafaela	Utility Assistance	Over income guidelines		
Young, Aubrey	Rental Assistance	Did not provide Landlord Notice		
Flores, Angel	Rental Assistance	Did not provide Landlord Notice		
PAUPER BURIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS				
APPLICANT	DECEASED	DISPOSITION		COMMENT
		APPROVED	DENIED	

Respectfully Submitted to:
Hockley County Commissioners Court

Monday, August 7, 2023

Hockley County Public Assistance Administrator

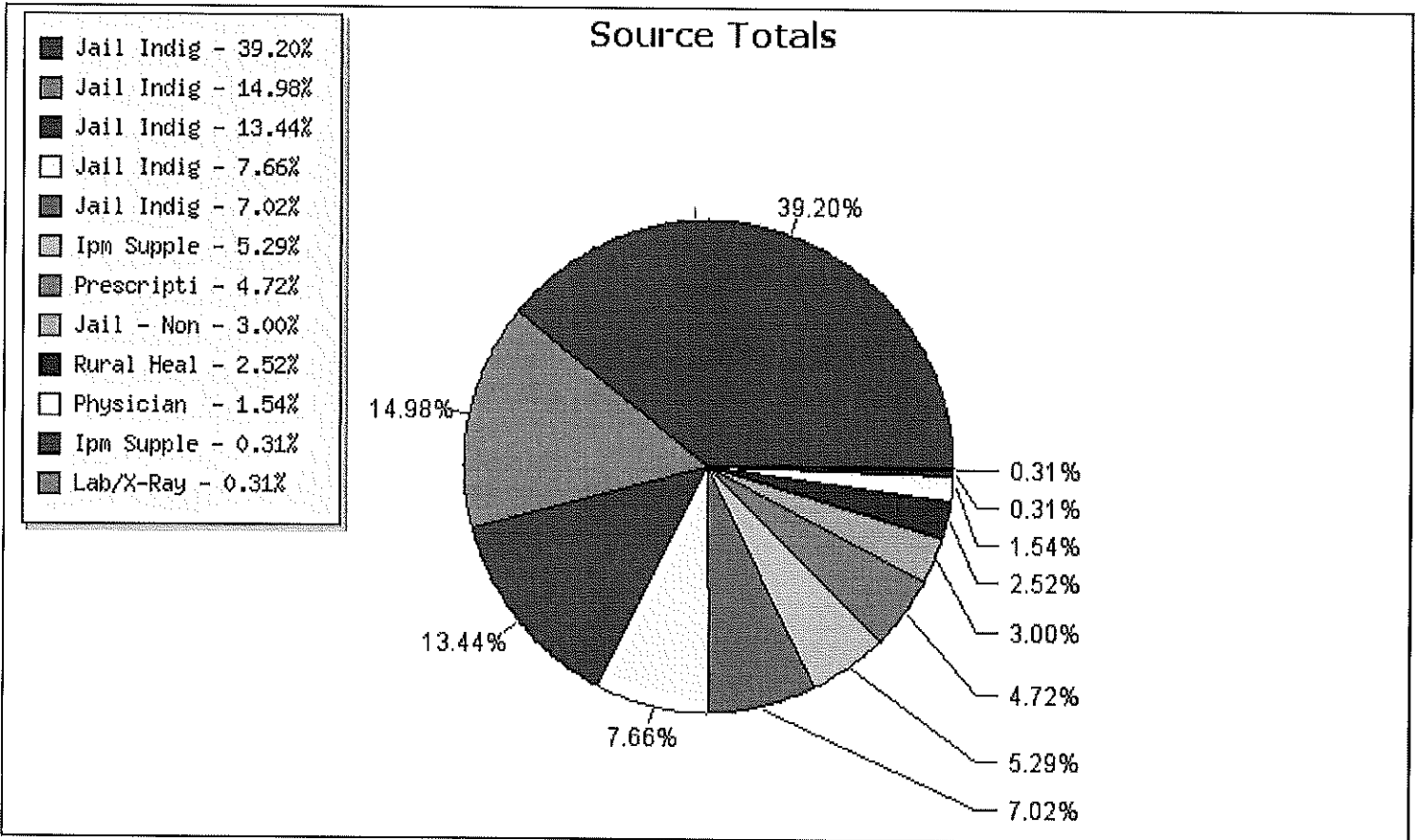
Cara Phelan

Source Totals for Batch Dates 07/01/2023 through 07/31/2023

Jail Indigent - Prescription D	39.20%	\$6,298.59
Jail Indigent - Physician Ser	14.98%	\$2,407.50
Jail Indigent - Rural Health C	13.44%	\$2,160.20
Jail Indigent - Lab/X-Ray	7.66%	\$1,231.36
Jail Indigent - Optional Servi	7.02%	\$1,128.18
Ipm Supplemental Fee-Jail	5.29%	\$850.00
Prescription Drugs	4.72%	\$757.99
Jail - Non-Indigent Prescripti	3.00%	\$482.05
Rural Health Clinics	2.52%	\$405.30
Physician Services	1.54%	\$246.73
Ipm Supplemental Prescription	0.31%	\$50.00
Lab/X-Ray	0.31%	\$49.18

Total Expenditures

\$16,067.08



Entry Statistics for Entry Dates 07/01/2023 through 07/31/2023

Clients Entered	26
Rapid Reg. Entered	0
Vendors Entered	0
Worksheets Entered	3
Invoices Entered	175

Notice About 2023 Tax Rates

(current year)

Property Tax Rates in HOCKLEY COUNTY
(taxing unit's name)

This notice concerns the 2023 property tax rates for HOCKLEY COUNTY
(current year) (taxing unit's name)

This notice provides information about two tax rates used in adopting the current tax year's tax rate. The no-new-revenue tax rate would impose the same amount of taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. In most cases, the voter-approval tax rate is the highest tax rate a taxing unit can adopt without holding an election. In each case, these rates are calculated by dividing the total amount of taxes by the current taxable value with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Taxing units preferring to list the rates can expand this section to include an explanation of how these tax rates were calculated.

This year's no-new-revenue tax rate \$.425897 /\$100

This year's voter-approval tax rate \$.473945 /\$100

To see the full calculations, please visit co.hockley.tx.us for a copy of the Tax Rate Calculation Worksheet.
(website address)

Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the taxing unit's accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Fund	Balance
GENERAL FUND	\$ 18,233,983
INTEREST & SINKING FUND	119,005

Current Year Debt Service

The following amounts are for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from upcoming property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid From Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
NONE	\$	\$	\$	\$

(expand as needed)

Total required for debt service..... \$ N/A
(current year)

- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in unencumbered funds \$ N/A

- Amount (if any) paid from other resources \$ N/A

- Excess collections last year..... \$ N/A

= Total to be paid from taxes in \$ N/A
(current year)

+ Amount added in anticipation that the taxing unit will collect
only % of its taxes in \$ N/A
(collection rate) (current year)

= Total Debt Levy..... \$ N/A

Voter-Approval Tax Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate

The HOCKLEY County Auditor certifies that HOCKLEY County has spent \$ 32,710 (minus any amount
(county name) (county name) (amount)
received from state revenue for such costs) in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas
Department of Criminal Justice. HOCKLEY County Sheriff has provided HOCKLEY information on these costs,
(county name) (county name)
minus the state revenues received for the reimbursement of such costs. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by \$ 0.00 /\$100.
(amount of increase)

Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 302,009 from July 1 2022 to Jun 30 2023
(county name) (amount) (prior year) (current year)
on indigent health care compensation procedures at the increased minimum eligibility standards, less the amount of state assistance. For the current tax
year, the amount of increase above last year's enhanced indigent health care expenditures is \$ 44,077 . This increased the voter-approval tax
rate by \$ 0.001276 /\$100.

Indigent Defense Compensation Expenditures

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 159,078 from July 1 2022 to June 30 2023
(county name) (amount) (prior year) (current year)
to provide appointed counsel for indigent individuals, less the amount of state grants received by the county. In the preceding year, the county spent
\$ 217,957 for indigent defense compensation expenditures. The amount of increase above last year's indigent defense expenditures is
(amount)
\$ 0.00 . This increased the voter-approval rate by \$ 0.00 /\$100 to recoup
(amount of increase) (amount of increase) (use one phrase to complete sentence: the increased expenditures, or 5% more than the preceding year's expenditures)

Eligible County Hospital Expenditures

The HOCKLEY COUNTY spent \$ 0.00 from July 1 2022 to June 30 2023

on expenditures to maintain and operate an eligible county hospital. In the preceding year, the HOCKLEY COUNTY

spent \$ 0.00 for county hospital expenditures. For the current tax year, the amount of increase above last year's expenditures is

\$ 0.00. This increased the voter-approval tax rate by 0.00 /\$100 to recoup

This notice contains a summary of the no-new-revenue and voter-approval calculations as

certified by DEBRA C BRAMLETT HOCKLEY COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR 8/7/2023

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

Motion by Judge Baldrige, second by Commissioner Graf, 3 votes yes, 0 votes no, that commissioners court approved the 2024 Hockley County Holidays. As per Order To Approve The 2024 Hockley County Holidays recorded below.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER TO APPROVE THE 2024 HOCKLEY COUNTY HOLIDAYS

The Commissioners' Court of Hockley County has hereby approved the 2024 Hockley County holiday schedule AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 7th day of August, 2023, upon motion by Commissioner, Judy Sharla Baldrige, seconded by Commissioner, Seth Graf and unanimously carried.

Sharla Baldrige
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

Alan Wisdom
Alan Wisdom, Commissioner, Pct 1

Absent
Larry Carter, Commissioner, Pct 2

Seth Graf
Seth Graf, Commissioner, Pct 3

Absent
Tommy Clevenger, Commissioner, Pct 4

ATTEST: Jennifer Palermo
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk,
Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners
Court of Hockley County, Texas



2024 Hockley County Holidays

****PROPOSED****

January 1, 2024	Monday	New Year's Day
February 19, 2024	Monday	Presidents' Day
March 29, 2024	Friday	Good Friday
May 27, 2024	Monday	Memorial Day
July 4, 2024	Thursday	Independence Day
September 2, 2024	Monday	Labor Day
October 14, 2024	Monday	Columbus Day
November 11, 2024	Monday	Veteran's Day
November 28 & 29, 2024	Thursday & Friday	Thanksgiving
December 24, 25 & 26, 2024	Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday	Christmas

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Graf, 2 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners court approved the 2024 Safety Incentive Program for Hockley County full time employees. As per Order To Approve The 2024 Safety Incentive Program recorded below.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

ORDER TO APPROVE THE 2024 SAFETY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Commissioners' Court of Hockley County has hereby approved the 2024 Hockley County Safety Incentive Program AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONE IN OPEN COURT, this the 7th day of August, 2023, upon motion by Commissioner, Alan Wisdom, seconded by Commissioner, Seth Graf and unanimously carried.

Sharla Baldrige
Sharla Baldrige, Hockley County Judge

Alan Wisdom
Alan Wisdom, Commissioner, Pct 1

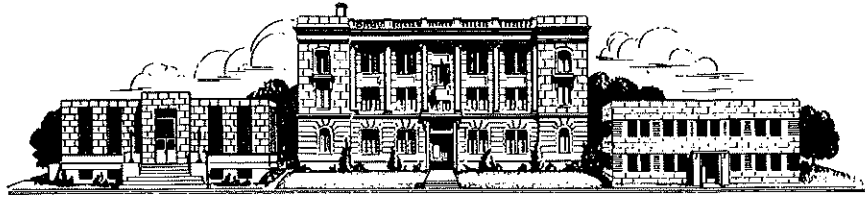
Absent
Larry Carter, Commissioner, Pct 2

Seth Graf
Seth Graf, Commissioner, Pct 3

Absent
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ATTEST: Jennifer Palermo
Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk,
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Hockley County

SHIRLEY PENNER
County Auditor
806/894-6070

802 Houston, Suite 103
Levelland, Texas 79336

August 7, 2023

Honorable Sharla Baldrige
The Honorable Commissioners of Hockley County

Re: Continuation of Safety Incentive Program for Hockley County Full Time Employees

For each full-time employee that has no lost time due to a work related injury during the current year (2023), two (2) workdays of personal leave will be awarded to that employee for the next year (2024) to be used at a time in that year determined by the Department Head.

Also, for each entire department that has no lost time due to a work related injury during this same year, an additional work day of personal leave time will be awarded to the employees in those departments.

*Employee must be employed by Hockley County from January 1st to December 31st of 2023

**Use them or lose them. Any days awarded will not carry over to the next year. Days awarded for 2023 must be used in 2024.

Review the July 2023 fire runs as submitted by the City of Levelland.

of Apparatus: 2

Total Call Duration: 00:19:00

Received reports of a fire out in the county. Dispatched a unit to check on the fire due to reports of a control burn out in the area. Once onscene determined that the reported fire was the control burn. Made contact and cleared the area.

2023223 0 7/21/2023 14:08 322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries

Address: Intersection of E STATE HIGHWAY 114 & VERETTO RD, LEVELLAND, TX

of Personnel: 7 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 4

Total Call Duration: 01:32:00

RESPONDED TO MAJOR MVA ASSISTED EMS IN FIRST AID OPERATIONS AFTER EMS TRANSPORTED FIRE UNITS STAYED ON SCENE FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL ONCE VEHICLE'S WERE CLEARED FIRE UNITS WENT 10-8

2023218 0 7/15/2023 16:58 100 - Fire, other

Address: 840 LOVEBIRD RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

of Personnel: 8 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 3

Total Call Duration: 00:05:00

Dispatched to 840 Lovebird. Advised to respond and smyer would let us know if they need us when they arrive on scene. B14 responded two men. Disregarded en route. Returned to service.

2023214 0 7/12/2023 19:51 143 - Grass fire

Address: Intersection of S FM303 & FM 300, HOCKLEY CO, TX

of Personnel: 2 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 2

Total Call Duration: 00:24:00

PD RECEIVED A CALL ABOUT A SMALL GRASS FIRE IN THIS AREA. UPON ARRIVAL, UNITS FOUND WHAT WAS POSSIBLY A CONTROLLED BURN, BUT THERE WAS NO ONE THERE TO WATCH IT, SO UNITS EXTINGUISHED THE FIRE.

2023211 0 7/8/2023 20:36 611 - Dispatched & canceled en route

Address: 3673 HOWARD RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79313

of Personnel: 7 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 4

Total Call Duration: 00:44:00

We received a call from the police department stating that there was an RV on fire

in Anton. While in round, we were canceled by Anton Fire Department. We then return to the station.

2023208 0 7/7/2023 12:06 112 - Fires in structure other than in a building
Address: 3512 DEER RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336
of Personnel: 6 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00
of Apparatus: 5 **Total Call Duration: 03:39:00**

Requested as mutual aid on a structure fire rekindle on Deer road. Upon arrival the residence was smoldering. Fire crews worked to extinguish the residence and returned to the station.

2023205 0 7/6/2023 15:41 611 - Dispatched & canceled en route
Address: Intersection of NIGHTINGALE RD & ELK RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX
of Personnel: 8 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00
of Apparatus: 4 **Total Call Duration: 00:16:00**

RECEIVED REPORTS OF GRASS FIRE UNITS RESPONDED AND CANCELED BY SMYER FD BEFORE ARRIVAL

2023203 0 7/6/2023 15:05 352 - Extrication of victim(s) from vehicle
Address: 897 N US HIGHWAY 385, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336
of Personnel: 7 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00
of Apparatus: 5 **Total Call Duration: 00:15:30**

EMS REQUESTED FIRE UNITS ON MVA FIRE UNITS PROVIDED ASSISTANCE UNTIL NO LONGER NEEDED FIRE UNITS 10-8

2023202 0 7/6/2023 10:21 111 - Building fire
Address: 6512 DEER RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336
of Personnel: 5 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00
of Apparatus: 5 **Total Call Duration: 02:41:00**

REKINDLE ON STRUCTURE FIRE SMYER REQUESTED ASSISTANCE

2023200 0 7/5/2023 00:19 120 - Fire in mobile prop. used as a fixed struc., other
Address: 6512 DEER RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336
of Personnel: 11 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 5

Total Call Duration: 04:41:00

Requested for mutual aid on a structure fire. Upon arrival helped smyer extinguish the residence. Once scene was controlled all units were released and returned to the station.

2023198 0 7/4/2023 23:50 631 - Authorized controlled burning

Address: 1851 IRONMAN RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

of Personnel: 8 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 2

Total Call Duration: 00:17:00

Dispatched to a possible fire out in the county. Upon arrival made contact with the land owner and was advised it was a control burn and he didnt have his phone on him. All units cleared and returned to the station.

2023197 0 7/4/2023 22:45 154 - Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire

Address: 1421 CACTUS DR, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

of Personnel: 7 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 2

Total Call Duration: 00:07:00

Dispatched to reports of a dumpster fire at south plains church. Upon arrival there was a dumpster on fire with fireworks still ignited. Fire dept personnel extinguished the fire and returned to the station.

2023196 0 7/4/2023 22:39 143 - Grass fire

Address: Intersection of COUNTY RD & E ELLIS ST, HOCKLEY CO, TX

of Personnel: 8 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 3

Total Call Duration: 00:10:00

Dispatched to a reported grassfire at the intersection of county road and ellis. Upon arrival there was nothing burning. Units searched the area and were unable to locate. Units cleared the scene and returned to the station.

2023195 0 7/4/2023 21:44 143 - Grass fire

Address: Intersection of ALASKA RD & COUNTY RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX

of Personnel: 9 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 3

Total Call Duration: 00:31:00

Dispatched to a small grassfire at the intersection of county road and alaska. Upon arrival there was a small grassfire in the barditch. Fire dept personnel extinguished

the fire and returned to the station.

2023193 0 7/2/2023 04:54 733 - Smoke detector activation due to malfunction

Address: 104 MANDY CIR, OPDYKE, TX 79336

of Personnel: 3 Hours Paid per Person: Total Man Hours: .00

of Apparatus: 2 **Total Call Duration: 00:31:00**

Dispatched to reports of a fire alarm activation. Upon arrival there was no smoke or fire showing. Searched the residence with the thermal imager. There was no heat signatures detected. Advised residents to replace the batteries and contact the homeowner. All units cleared the scene and returned to the station.

Total Number of Incidents in this District: 17

Grand Total Call Duration: 0 Days, 21:2

Report Filter Settings

Report Name: County Monthly by Date - with Narrative

Filter Name: Date Range and District

Filter Expression: (Not Is Null [IncidentNumber]) And ([AlarmDateTime] is between '7/1/2023 00:00' and '8/1/2023 00:00') And ([DistrictID] equals '2 - 2')

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There being no further business to come before the Court, the Judge declared Court adjourned, subject to call.

The foregoing Minutes of a Commissioner's Court meeting held on the 7th day of August, A. D. 2023, was examined by me and approved.

Alan Wisdom
Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

[Signature]
Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Absent
Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

Absent
Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Charla Baldrige
County Judge

Jennifer Palermo
JENNIFER PALERMO, County Clerk, and
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