## Special Session Commissioners' Court

 August 19, 2002 8:30 a.m. Members of the Court Present:| Jack Leath | County Judge |
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| Keith Clark | Commissioner Pct. \#1 |
| Lynn Smith | Commissioner Pct. \#2 |
| Doyle Dickerson | Commissioner Pct. \#3 |
| Gene Nethery | Commissioner Pct. \#4 |
| Janice McDaniel | County Clerk |

Judge Leath called the meeting to order.
Tammy Reeves, Tax Assessor/Collector is present in Court.
Agenda item \#1-Discuss Proposed Tax Rate-Take Record Vote \& Schedule Public Hearings if Necessary

Tammy gave the Court the following rates:
Values are up from last year.

| Effective rate: | .36117 | $94 \%$ collection |
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| Last yr.'s rate | .38445 | $\$ 1,118,381$ |
| 3\% above effective rate | .37200 | $1,190,469$ |
| 1 cent above last yr. rate | .39445 | $1,151,917$ |
| Roll back rate | .41124 | $1,221,435$ |
|  |  | $1,273,426$ |

Tammy said the increase for the average household will be approximately $\$ 3.12$.

Commissioner Nethery said he feels the intelligent thing to do is to go up a little each year. Some short falls appear to be coming in the future. He proposes to go up 1 cent above last year's rate. Judge Leath agreed.

Judge Leath moved to set the proposed tax rate at .39445 .
Commissioner Nethery seconded.
In discussion, Commissioner Smith said we tend to spend whatever we have. He said he supports the salary and other increases but feels it is bad timing for a tax increase. He said he believes the people will accept even a 5 -cent increase at a later date if you explain to them why you need to increase taxes that much.

Commissioner's Clark, Dickerson and Nethery and Judge Leath voted for the motion. Commissioner Smith voted against. Motion carried.

Judge Leath moved to set a public hearing for August "hat 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nethery moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. Meetingayourned.


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