## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND SPECIAL MEETING LIMESTONE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2

The LIMESTONE CO EMERGENCY SERVICES DIST. #2 (ESD#2) will hold a Special Meeting at **6:30 p.m. on August 29, 2023** at West Lake Limestone Fire Department, Main Station 6614 FM 937, Thornton, Texas to consider **adopting a proposed tax rate** for tax year 2023. The proposed tax rate is **\$0.0375 per \$100** of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes in ESD#2 by 12.28%. At 7:00 p.m., following the Public Hearing portion of the meeting, the Board will continue the special meeting by formally addressing the adoption of the proposed tax rate.

All in attendance are required to sign in upon arrival as a part of the public record. Proper order will be maintained and individuals may address the Board once recognized by the presiding officer. Visitors who wish to speak will be expected to state their full names for the public record.

## **SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA\***

## PART 1: PUBLIC HEARING ON AUGUST 29, 2023

The subject matter to be considered during this hearing will include the following:

- 1. Announcement of the intended adoption of the proposed 2023 tax rate of \$0.0375/\$100 for the district;
- 2. Comments/questions\*\* by the public and discussion of tax rate issues;
- 3. Adjournment of the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

## PART 2: ESD#2 BOARD ACTIONS ON TAX RATE

The subject matter to be considered and acted upon in this special meeting will include the following:

- 1. Meeting call to order and establishment of a quorum;
- 2. Pledge to the flag of the United States of America and a moment for prayer/reflection;
- 3. Citizen Comments Session\*\* (Public comments, relevant to other business of the District, are limited to five minutes per person or a 20-minute limit per subject matter, whichever is less.);
- 4. Reading and approval of the minutes of the Regular August Meeting;
- 5. Deliberation and actions on the following agenda items:
  - a. Motion to adopt the Proposed Tax Rate, thus establishing an Adopted Tax Rate of \$0.0375/\$100 valuation;

6. Adjournment.

Dr. Paul A. Loeffler President

Limestone County ESD#2

- \* The Board of Commissioners is authorized by the Open Meetings Act to convene in closed or Executive Session for certain purposes. These purposes include: considering legal advice from its attorney, discussing real property matters, evaluating gifts and donations, addressing personnel matters, and discussing security personnel or devices. If the Board decides to enter into Executive Session regarding any item on this agenda, the Presiding Officer will announce that an Executive Session will be held and will identify the item to be discussed. No actions will be taken during the closed session and, following completion, the Board will return to the open meeting. Closed session items may be discussed and acted on, if appropriate, in the open meeting.
- \*\*During citizen comment sessions, individuals understand that they are provided a limited amount of time and will be allowed to address the Board only if the comments are not rude, disparaging, or defamatory, nor disruptive to the good order of the meeting.

As required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, if an individual inquires about a subject for which notice has not been given, the provisions of the act do not apply to a statement of specific factual information given in response to that inquiry nor to a recitation of existing policy or previous Board decisions about the subject of the inquiry. Any further deliberation or decision about that newly introduced subject shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda of a subsequent meeting.