

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The CALHOUN COUNTY 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 9.791620 percent (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). 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 August 23, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Commissioners Court, 211 S. Ann St., Ste. 104, Port Lavaca, TX. 77979.

The second public hearing will be held on August 30, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Commissioners Court, 211 S. Ann St., Ste. 104, Port Lavaca, TX. 77979.

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

FOR: Commissioners Galvan, Lyssy, Fritsch and Finster and Judge Pfeifer
AGAINST: NONE
PRESENT and not voting: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALHOUN COUNTY last year was \$82,746. Based on last year's tax rate of \$0.490000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was \$405.46.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in CALHOUN COUNTY this year is \$86,359. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of \$0.446300 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$385.42.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of \$0.490000 per \$100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be \$423.16.

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

Special Provisions if Applicable

Criminal Justice Mandate (use for counties, if applicable):

The Calhoun County Auditor certifies that Calhoun County has spent \$0 in the previous 12 months beginning 07/01/2011, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Calhoun County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Enhanced Indigent Health Care Expenditures (use if applicable):

The CALHOUN COUNTY spent \$654,414 from 07/01/2011 to 06/30/2012 on enhanced indigent health care 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 \$0.

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.
** "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.
*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.