

NOTICE OF MEETING TO VOTE ON TAX RATE

A tax rate of \$0.76382 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Dickens County.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.76382 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.76382 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.99602 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2023 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Dickens County from the same properties in both the 2022 tax year and the 2023 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Dickens County may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Dickens County is not proposing to increase property taxes for the 2023 tax year.

A PUBLIC MEETING TO VOTE ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 11, 2023 AT 8:45 am AT Dickens County Annex 508 Crow Dickens Tx 79229.

The proposed tax rate is also not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Dickens County is not required to hold an election to seek voter approval of the rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Dickens County of Dickens County at their offices or by attending the public meeting mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

FOR the proposal:

Greg Arnold
Mike Smith
Judge Kevin Brendle

Charlie Morris
Dennis Wyatt

AGAINST the proposal:

PRESENT and not voting:

ABSENT:

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.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.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Dickens County last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Dickens County this year.

	2022	2023	Change
Total tax rate (per	\$0.83910	\$0.76382	decrease of -0.07528, or

\$100 of value)			-8.97%
Average homestead taxable value	\$31,121	\$35,916	increase of 4,795, or 15.41%
Tax on average homestead	\$261.14	\$274.33	increase of 13.19, or 5.05%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$2,376,197	\$3,604,573	increase of 1,228,376, or 51.70%

No-New-Revenue Maintenance and Operations Rate Adjustments

State Criminal Justice Mandate

The Dickens County County Auditor certifies that Dickens County County has spent \$15,895 in the previous 12 months for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Dickens County County Sheriff has provided Dickens County information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.00511/\$100.

Indigent Health Care Compensation Expenditures

The Dickens County spent \$62,974 from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 on indigent health care compensation expenditures 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 \$32,977. This increased the no-new-revenue maintenance and operations rate by \$0.01060/\$100.

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Dickens County at 806-623-5216 or dickenst@caprock-spur.com, or visit www.co.tx.us.com for more information.