## 01-13-2025 Minutes

## McDonald County Commission—Minutes

January 13th, 2025

Present:

Bryan Hall - Presiding Commissioner Jamey Cope - Eastern Commissioner Rick Lett - Western Commissioner Jessica Cole - County Clerk, Interim

## **General Business**

Commission signed and approved accounts payable for Facility Utilities in the amount \$15,698.85.

Commission met with members of the 911 board, Ellworth Amos III, Director of the 911 board; Kaylea Gibbs, Operations Manager, and Robert Evenson, Vice Chairman of the 911 Board to discuss their formal request to designate .005% of the proposed .02% use tax for the 911 Board.

Commission continued to discuss the unfair advantage that is enjoyed by the online conveniences out of state vendors have over our local vendors. These big box stores continue to collect online sales tax and yet do not report it back to affect our local infrastructures. Currently, the local small brick and mortar vendors collect the sales tax but online vendors do not. In continued effort the Commission began an official reading of the ballot language for the local use tax to be placed on the ballot.

The Ballot language will say:

"In attempt to eliminate the unfair advantage enjoyed by out-of-state vendors, shall the County of McDonald impose a local use tax at the same rate as the total local sales tax, currently .02%, provided that if the local sales tax rate is reduced or raised by voter approval, the local use tax shall also be reduced or raised by the same?

[]YES []NO

If you are in favor of the question, darken the oval opposite the word "YES". If you are opposed to the question, darken the oval opposite the workd "NO".

## **ADJOURN**

Commission will reconvene on January 15th, 2025

**SIGNATURES** 

Jamey Cope

Approved

Wednesday January 15th, 2025

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