

For Immediate Release

Sweeny Community Hospital Lowers Tax Rate

SWEENY – On September 19, 2023 following a public hearing, the Sweeny Community Hospital Board approved a new tax rate of 0.387962, which is less than the No New Revenue Tax Rate. The new tax rate is a reduction from the 2022 tax rate of 0.441100, which will result in a decrease of 4% or \$328,476 in the amount of taxes collected by the hospital district.

The elected hospital board and leadership has shown dedication to improving operations and revenue as part of their plan to continue to lower taxes for the district. The new tax rate of 0.387962 was proposed at the August 29, 2023 board meeting. During the September 19 public hearing, Sweeny Community Hospital Chief Financial Officer Travis Alford provided a financial update and projections for 2024.

"SCH is dedicated to bringing strong, state of the art healthcare to West of the Brazos Community. The new hospital build is coming along well as in addition to our new building in West Columbia for the Health Clinic and Wellness Center," Sweeny Community Hospital CEO Kelly Park said. "We are excited to be able to reduce the tax rate and continue to bring the best healthcare to the area."

The Sweeny Community Hospital exists to provide the West Brazos area consistently with FIRST quality and costeffective healthcare services. We are committed to keeping the local community informed of our operations. If you have questions or comments about this announcement, please email or call Kari Schroeter, Marketing Director.

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