

# AGENDA

EAST MOUNTAIN CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION  
**August 14, 2023**  
**MONDAY 6:00 PM**  
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

**\*CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL**

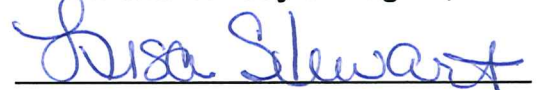
**\*PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Must sign in. 5 minute limit

**\*APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: July 10, 2023 Regular Session Minutes**

## AGENDA ITEMS

1. Vote on Upshur County Tax Rate: Mayor Marc Covington
2. Discuss PD Report: Chief Stephen Rathbun
3. Approve Budget Workshop dates: August 29<sup>th</sup> and September 26<sup>th</sup>: Mayor Marc Covington
4. Adjournment

Witness My Hand and Official Seal  
Of the City of East Mountain, Texas  
On This 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023

  
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Lisa Stewart, City Secretary

Posted the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July at 12:30 PM

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The City Council of the City of East Mountain reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters above, with respect to and as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.074 (Personnel Matters) and 551.087 (Negotiations).

CITY OF EAST MOUNTAIN  
CITY COUNCIL-REGULAR SESSION  
August 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Marc Covington. A quorum was present. The invocation was given by Mr. John Adams. All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:**

Those Council Members present were: Mr. John Adams, Mr. Richard Lattier, and Mr. Danny Medlin, Mr. Eugene Brown and Mr. Billy Morrow

**Open Discussion:** No open discussion

**Approval of the Previous Minutes:**

Mr. Eugene Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2023. For Regular Session and Mr. Billy Morrow seconded. The vote was unanimous.

**Agenda Item One Vote on Upshur County Tax Rate-Mayor Marc Covington**

The Mayor presented the tax rate increase that was received by Luana Howell of Upshur County showing an increase of .123025/100 and ask if everyone approved on the increase from the year before. Motion to accept: John Adams made motive to accept, Richard Lattier seconded. Vote was unanimous

**Agenda Item Two, Discuss PD Report-Chief Stephen Rathbun**

Chief went over the report, mentioned how it was less this month due to him being at Chief school and also working and filing 6-7 felony cases. Brought to everyone's attention that the reserve has been working and the hours that were worked.

Mayor asks where they were on the truck. Chief let them know that he should be getting it back on Saturday. Striping is done. Chief was asked about the 911 on the vehicles and Chief told them it was not required but could be added. Was decided not to add it. It is looking good. John Adams ask when it would be out working, Chief let them know as soon as he gets it all he will need to do is put computer in it and will be then out on patrol.

Eugene Brown about the warranty and the Mayor mention it has a 7 yr/175,000 mile warranty.

**Agenda Item Three, Approve Budget Workshop Dates-Mayor Marc Covington**

Discussed 1<sup>st</sup> budget workshop to be held on August 29<sup>th</sup> @ 9am and final budget meeting to be September 26<sup>th</sup> @ 9am. Vote was unanimous

**Agenda Item Four, Adjournment**

Billy Morrow made motion to adjourn and Eugene Brown seconded. All were in favor  
Adjourned at 6:30pm

Accepted and approved this 11<sup>h</sup> Day of September, 2023

  
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Mayor Marc Covington

Attested:

  
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City Secretary, Lisa Stewart