IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT Regular Meeting September 5th, 2023

A **Regular** Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 5th day of September at 2:00 P.M. in the Robertson County Historic Courthouse, County Courtroom, 3rd Floor, Franklin, Texas.

The following members were present:

Joe David Scarpinato, County Judge

Ty Rampy, Commissioner Precinct #1

Donald Threadgill, Commissioner Precinct #2

Chuck Hairston, Commissioner Precinct #3

James Taylor, Commissioner Precinct #4

Stephanie M. Sanders, County Clerk

Candace Anderson, County Auditor

- 1. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM / CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT
 - A. Maximum of 3 minutes and must have the completed Public Participation Form turned into the County Judges or County Clerk's Office by 2pm the day before the meeting of the Court. No action taken.

4. BUDGET WORKSHOP

- A. Discuss and take action to consider making changes to the proposed fiscal year 2023-24 budget that the Commissioners Court considers warranted by the law and required by the interest of the taxpayers. No action taken.
- B. Discuss and take action on filing amended proposed budget. No action taken.

5. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK

- A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from August 22, 2023 regular meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve minutes from the August 22, 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from August 30, 2023 special meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve minutes from the August 30, 2023 special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for August 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the monthly report for August 2023, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- D. Approve bonds and oaths.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve Continuation Certificate for Shirley A. Smith, Jr & Shelley Smith, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

6. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

A. Discuss and take action on election related matters. Discussion was held.

7. DEE DEE FERRELL, 911 ADDRESSING COORDINATOR

A. Discuss and take action on addressing for August 2023. Discussion was held.

8. BILLY HUGGINS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

A. Discuss and take action on EMC related matters.

Discussion was held.

- B. Discussion and possible action on COVID-19 related matters and any other issues. Discussion was held.
- C. Discuss and take action on County Burn Ban. No action taken.

9. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE

A. Discuss and take action on maintenance related matters. Discussion was held.

10. CHUCK HAIRSTON, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

A. Discussion and possible action on presentation from George Harris for approval/rejection on Preliminary Plat for a Subdivision in Precinct 3, Robertson County, Texas.

Tabled.

11. JAMES TAYLOR, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

- A. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase the following:
 - a. Shredder

Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve payment to WC Tractor in the amount of \$19,400.00 to be rolled forward, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

- b. heaters for the shop Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment in the amount of \$8,750.00 to be rolled forward, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- c. have motors installed on two of the shop bay doors Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve payment in the amount of \$12,907.50 to Aggieland Garage Doors to roll forward and allow Judge to write a letter of intent, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

12. JOE DAVID SCARPINATO, COUNTY JUDGE

A. Discussion and possible action on any budget related matters or county business. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to make payment to REC for \$4,416.99 to be paid out of Contingency (Rebuild water pump broiler), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to allow the Judge to write a letter of Support endorsing a project for Friends of Wheelock School House and any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

- B. Discussion and possible action on any Sheriffs' Office & Jail related matters. Discussion was held.
- C. Discussion and possible action on any Courthouse Security related matters. Discussion was held.
- D. Discussion and possible action on CDBG MIT-MOD grant related matters and any other issues. Discussion was held.
- E. Discussion and possible action on Swoboda Engineering proposal for courthouse electrical and generator design services.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to accept Swoboda Engineering's proposal for courthouse electrical and generation design services and make payment in the amount of \$3,000 to be paid out of contingency pending legal, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.

- Discuss and take action to appoint/re-appoint or remove members on the Post Oak RC&D Board. Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to appoint Rick Swick as a new member to the Post Oak RC&D Board, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- G. Discuss and take action to designate dates and times for regular Commissioners' Court meetings. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the designated dates and times for regular Commissioners' Court as presented for the 2023/2024 year, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- H. Discuss and take action to approve 2024 Holiday Schedule. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve 2024 Holiday Schedule as presented, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- Discuss and take action to place of record the signed ARPA Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Hearne that was approved in Commissioners Court on March 7, 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the signed ARPA Subrecipient Agreement with the city of Hearne that was approved in Commissioners Court on March 7, 2023 pending Judge's signature, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- Discuss and take action to place of record letter and Form RD 1940-1, "Request for Obligation of Funds" that indicates on August 7,2023, USDA Rural Development approved a grant of \$20,275 for the District Attorney's
 - Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the letter and Form RD 1940-1, "Request for Obligation of Funds" that indicates on August 7, 2023, USDA Rural Development approved a grant of \$20,275 for the District Attorney's Office, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously. Rampy absent for vote.
- K. Discuss and take action to place of record Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster for severe winter weather conditions through September 22, 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster for severe winter weather conditions through September 22, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously. Rampy absent for vote.
- L. Discuss and take action to place of record the annual confirmation of Cybersecurity Training Certification STV-16385 for Fiscal Year 2023 for Robertson County. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the annual confirmation of Cybersecurity Training Certification STV - 16385 for Fiscal Year 2023 for Robertson County, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

13. CANDY ANDERSON, COUNTY AUDITOR

A. Discuss and take action on approving budget adjustments and/or amendments, credit applications and/or lease purchase agreements, and/or cell phone allowance agreements. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 1(see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 4 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve budget adjustment for District Court (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve budget adjustment for the Public Safety Dept. (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve budget adjustment for the Veteran's Service Office (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve budget adjustment for Juvenile Probation (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve budget adjustment for the Courthouse (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 3(see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve budget adjustment for District Court (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve budget adjustment for Non-Departmental (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

B. Settlement of Accounts: Discussion, consideration and possible action to settle and pay all accounts against the county as per Texas Local Government Code Section 115.021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to pay C R Systems in the amount of \$3,622.74 & Lone Star Mold (Mold testing) in the amount of \$2,520.00 both to be paid out of contingency, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$251,297.53 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

C. Discuss and take action on approval of annual report and payment on RCFA and the Libraries. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the annual report and payment on the RCFA and Carnegie Library, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.

D. Discuss and take action on filing monthly report. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to file the monthly reports for April & May pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Closed meeting (Executive Session) pursuant to Section §551.071 of the Texas Government Code Consultation with Attorney Discussion with attorney regarding a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflicts with Texas Government Code Section 551 Open Meetings Act; or discussion with attorney regarding a matter of contemplated litigation or a settlement offer or both; to wit: __No action taken.
- Announcement of time and date closed meeting (executive session) for this matter ends and reconvene in open session.
 No action taken.
- C. The Robertson County Court reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above as authorized by the Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultations with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Properties), 551.073 (Deliberations regarding Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations regarding Security Devices or Security Audits), and 551.087 (Deliberations regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

 No action taken.

15. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

 A. The Robertson County Commissioners' Court will reconvene in a public meeting to discuss and take action on related matters.
 No action taken.

16. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Precinct #1

Commissioner Precinct #2

Commissioner Precinct #4

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County Clerk

County Auditor

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