STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ROBERTSON

IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT Regular Meeting October 3rd, 2023

A **Regular** Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 3rd day of October 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 - ABSENT

Chuck Hairston, Commissioner Precinct #3

James Taylor, Commissioner Precinct #4

Stephanie M. Sanders, County Clerk

Candace Anderson, County Auditor - Raynie Hancock

1. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM / CALL TO ORDER

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- 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. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK
 - A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from September 15, 2023 special meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2023 special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from September 19, 2023 regular meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2023 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
 - C. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from September 26, 2023 special meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2023 special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
 - D. Discuss and take action to approve purchase of fire proof cabinet from Wilton's Office Works to be paid from Records Archive account.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the purchase of a fire proof cabinet from Wilton's Office Works in the amount of \$2,344.00 to be paid from Records Archive Account, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

5. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

- A. Discuss and take action on election related matters.
 - No action taken.

6. DEE DEE FERRELL, 911 ADDRESSING COORDINATOR

- A. Discuss and take action on addressing for September 2023.
- Discussion was held.
- 7. KAREN BOX, SHERIFF'S OFFICE
 - A. Discussion and possible action on disposal of recording equipment that cannot be completely wiped clean. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the disposal of the recording equipment that cannot be completely wiped clean, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

8. GREG SANDERS, WALNUT CREEK MINING

A. Discussion and possible action for approval on request by Walnut Creek Mining Company, Calvert Mine to close and relocate a section of Rosehill Road and Beck Prairie Road at the intersection of Nesbitt Cemetery Road.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the request by Walnut Creek Mining Company, Calvert Mine to close and relocate a section of Rosehill Road and Beck Prairie Road at the intersection of Nesbitt Cemetery Road pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the Judge and all four Commissioners to sign paperwork for Walnut Creek Mining Company, Calvert Mine to close and relocate a section of Rosehill Road and Beck Prairie Road at the intersection of Nesbitt Cemetery Road, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.

9. 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. No action taken.
- C. Discuss and take action on extending County Burn Ban.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to reinstate the Burn Ban for another 90 days, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

10. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE

- A. Discuss and take action on maintenance related matters.
- Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the purchase of a hot water heater (3rd floor) for the courthouse not to exceed \$1,500.00 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

11. 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 allow the Judge to coordinate with Mrs. Anderson for the payment from the BVCOG in the amount of \$5,000.00 to the Calvert Senior Center for purchase of a ac unit, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy 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. Discuss and take action on approval of the FY 2024 SAVNS Grant Contract. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the FY 2024 SAVNS Grant Contract pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- F. Discuss and take action on approval of FY 2024 Texas VINE Service Renewal. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the FY 2024 Texas VINE Service Renewal and allow the Judge to sign, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- G. Discuss and take action to appoint one member to the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District (BVGCD) Board.
 - Tabled
- H. Discuss and take action to appoint/remove members to BVCOG's Homeland Security Advisory Committee. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to remove Rosa Hoyt and replace her with Robert Fowler on the BVCOG's Homeland Security Advisory Commitee, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- I. Discuss and take action on 2024-2025 Board of Directors Nominations for Robertson Central Appraisal District.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to renominate Bill Lightsey, Greg Sanders, Ross Simmons, John Elliott, and David Ely to the 2024-2025 Board of Directors for Robertson Central Appraisal District, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

- J. Discuss and take action on first (1) payment of ARPA Funds to the City of Hearne. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the first (1) payment of ARPA Funds in the amount of \$49,00.00 to the City of Hearne (for generator project) pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- K. Discuss and take action on full payment of ARPA Funds to Robertson County Water Supply. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve full payment in the amount of \$300,00.00 from the ARPA Funds to Robertson County Water Supply, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- L. Discuss and take action to place of record Robertson County Disaster Declaration related to threat of wild fires due to drought conditions through October 20, 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Robertson County Disaster Declaration related to threat of wild fires due to drought conditions through October 20, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- M. Discuss and take action to place of record Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster for severe winter weather conditions through October 20, 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster for severe winter weather conditions through October 20, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

12. 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 Taylor to approve the budget adjustment for the Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy 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 Rampy to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$ 234,106.42, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action on MASA Helicopter Plan for retirees.
 - Tabled

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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- 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.

14. 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.

15. ADJOURN

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

Robertson County Judge

Commissioner Precinct #1

Commissioner Precinct #3

County Clerk \mathcal{J}_{i}^{n}

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Commissioner Precinct #2

Commissioner Precinct #4

County Auditor

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