## STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ROBERTSON

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### IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT Regular Meeting July 23rd, 2024

A **Regular** Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 23rd day of July at 2:00PM in the Robertson County Historic Courthouse, County Courtroom, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 PLEDGES
- 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. CARY BAKER, SCOTTY'S HOUSE CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
  - A. Discussion and possible action on presentation to request funding to support Scotty's House. Presentation was given.

## 5. LAURIE DITTO, COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER OF ROBERTSON COUNTY

- A. Discussion and possible action on presentation to request funding to support CRCRC. Presentation was given.
- 6. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK
  - A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from July 9, 2024 regular meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2024 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
  - B. Approve bonds and oaths. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Deputation for Christopher Simmons, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
- 7. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR
- A. Discuss and take action on election related matters.
  - No action taken.
- 8. MICHAEL BREWER, TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR
  - A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for June 2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the monthly report for June 2024, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- 9. BILLY HUGGINS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR
  - A. Discuss and take action on EMC related matters.
    - Discussion was held.
  - B. Discuss and take action on County Burn Ban.
  - No action taken.

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## 10. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE

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

## 11. TIFANI WITHERSPOON & KAREN BOX, SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- A. Discuss and take action to approve the continuation of the NCIC Correctional Communications Service. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve and place of record the continuation of the NCIC Correctional Communications Service, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discuss and take action on approval to open a credit account with Energy Transfer Solutions, DBA: Rapid HVAC Parts for the purchase HVAC supplies for the Sheriff's Office. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the Judge to sign a credit application with Energy Transfer Solutions, DBA: Rapid HVAC Parts for the purchase of HVAC supplies for the Sheriff's Office, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action on approval of an order with Smarsh, Inc. to continue archiving of Robertson County Sheriff's Office cell phone text messages and allow the Judge to sign. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the order with Smarsh, Inc. to continue archiving of the Robertson County Sheriff's Office cell phone text messages pending legal and the Judge's signature, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

#### 12. DONALD THREADGILL, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

A. Discussion and possible action on plat for Post Oak Subdivision on Woody Lane. No action taken.

#### 13. CHUCK HAIRSTON, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

 Discussion and possible action on presentation from Melinda Scott for approval/rejection on Final Subdivision Plat - Hudson Farm in Precinct 3, Robertson County, Texas. Tabled.

#### 14. 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 approve the purchase of the image PROGRAF TM (plat maker) for the County Clerk's Office in the amount of \$9,310.00, to be paid out of the records management funds, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discussion and possible action on any Sheriffs' Office & Jail related matters. No action taken.
- C. Discussion and possible action on any Courthouse Security related matters. Discussion was held.
- D. Discussion and possible action on Order to Abate Nuisance at 3271 East Us Highway 79. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the Order to Abate Nuisance at 3271 East US Highway 79, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- E. Discuss and take action on HOT Funds request from ROLL CALL Friends of Camp Hearne. Tabled.
- F. Discuss and take action to place of record the June 2024 Commissioners Court Report from the Extension Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to place of record the June 2024 Commissioners Court Report from the Extension Office, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

- G. Discussion and possible action on Administration Services contract with GrantWorks, Inc. on the CDBG MIT-MOD grant. Tabled.
- H. Discuss and take action to ratify the appointment/re-appointment of members to the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District Board (BVGCD). Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to re-appoint John Elliott & Jeff Kennedy to the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District Board (BVGCD) pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- I. Discuss and take action on swearing in appointed/re-appointed members to the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District Board (BVGCD).

Swearing in of John Elliott & Jeff Kennedy.

- J. Discuss and take action to place of record the Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster related to severe storms, flooding and wind that expires on August 16, 2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Extended Order Declaring a Local State of Disaster related to severe storms, flooding and wind that expires on August 16, 2024, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- K. Discussion and possible action to purchase additional brush truck under emergency declaration. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the purchase of a 2017 Freightliner Grapple/Brush Truck from Trucks N Parts of Texas in the amount of \$144,900.00 pending inspection before purchase, to be paid out of R & B overall reserves & to be declared under the Emergency Declaration so that it may be exempt from the bidding process, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- L. Discussion and possible action to refurbish existing brush truck under emergency declaration. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve sending the existing Grapple Truck – county owned out
- for bids to be refurbished, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.M. Discussion and possible action on Application and Order Regulating the use of County Road Right-of-Way for Special Events.
  - No action taken.

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### 15. CANDY ANDERSON, COUNTY AUDITOR

A. Discuss and take action on approving budget adjustments, budget amendments, credit applications, lease agreements, or cell phone allowances.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the budget adjustment for non-departmental (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the budget adjustment for the Sheriff's Office (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 2 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 2 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve the budget adjustment for R & B Precinct 1 (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Taylor 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 payment for invoice from Flex Movers (JP # 1 office) in the amount of \$1,400.00 to be paid out of contingency, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve payment for invoice from Lone Star Mold Testing (Jail/ Sheriff's office) in the amount of \$2,895.00 to be paid out of Sheriff's Offices repair & maintenance line, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment for invoice from Lindsey Communications LLC (JP #1 office) in the amount of \$535.00 to be paid out of JP Precinct 1 telecommunications line, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment for invoice from Brazos Valley WIFI (JP # 1 office) in the amount of \$100.00 to be paid out of JP Precinct 1 telecommunications line, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$417,045.12 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

# 16. 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.
- B. 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.

#### 17. 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.
- 18. ADJOURN

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

Robertson County Judge

Commissioner Precinet #1

**Commissioner Precinct #3** 

County Clerk

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**Commissioner Precinct #4** 

**County Auditor** 

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