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IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT Regular Meeting May 27th, 2025

A **Regular** Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 27th day of May at 2 PM 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 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. Nester Leamon spoke.
- 4. PUBLIC HEARING
 - A. Public discussion on Mass Gathering application.
 - Presentation given by Regina Gray & Robert Lattimore.
- 5. JUPITER POWER
 - A. Discussion and possible action on presentation from Jupiter Power regarding the potential Tidwell Prairie phase 3 (Barton Branch IA LLC) & Tidwell Prairie phase 4 (Bee Branch IA LLC) tax abatement applications for a battery storage project in Robertson County, Precinct 4. Presentation was given.
- 6. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK
 - A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from May 13, 2025 regular meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2025 regular meeting, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
 - B. Approve bonds and oaths.
- No action taken. 7. BARBARA AXTELL, DISTRICT CLERK
 - A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for April 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the monthly report for April 2025, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

8. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

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

9. MICHAEL BREWER, TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR

A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for April 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the monthly report for April 2025, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

10. 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.

11. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE

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

12. TY RAMPY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

A. Discuss and take action to approve final invoice to refurbish Precinct 1 Grapple Truck in the amount of \$85,045.55 to be paid out of Road & Bridge Contingency. (This was originally approved in Commissioners Court on February 4, 2025 in the amount of \$79,545.55).

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve final invoice from Truck & Parts to refurbish Precinct 1's Grapple Truck in the amount of \$85,045.55 to be paid out of Road & Bridge Reserves. (This was originally approved in Commissioners Court on February 4, 2025 in the amount of \$79,545.55) and allow the check to be cut and given to Commissioner Rampy so that he may make payment, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

13. DONALD THREADGILL, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

- A. Discuss and take action on accessing private property to address erosion issues. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve for R & B Precinct 2 to access private property on Winding Road to address erosion issues, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discuss and take action on accessing private property to address water drainage. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve for R & B Precinct 2 to access private property on Old Hearne Road to address water drainage issues, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Discuss and take action on accessing private property to address excess sand for a pug mill. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve for R & B Precinct 2 to access private property (the Miller property) to harvest sand for a pug mill, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- D. Discuss and take action on accessing private property to remove trees. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve for R & B Precinct 2 to access two privates properties on Mumford/Benchley Road to remove trees, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

14. BILL RULAND, SHERIFF

- A. Discussion and possible action on any Sheriffs' Office & Jail related matters.
 - Discussion was held.
- B. Discussion and possible action on any Courthouse Security related matters.
- No action taken. 15. JOE DAVID SCARPINATO, COUNTY JUDGE
 - Discussion and possible action on any budget related matters or county business. Discussion was held.
 - B. Discussion and possible action for court to consider Tax Abatement Agreement for Big Rooter West, LLC. Tabled.
 - C. Discuss and take action on approval of Use of County Road Right-Of-Ways for Special Events permit application for Friends of the Wheelock School House Parade & BBQ Fundraiser scheduled for Friday, July 4, 2025.

Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the use of County Road Right-Of-Ways for Special Events permit application for Friends of the Wheelock School House Parade & BBQ Fundraiser scheduled for Friday, July 4, 2025, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

- D. Discuss and take action on approval of Use of County Road Right-of-Ways for Special Events permit application for Robertson County Gunslingers Trail Riding Club scheduled for Friday, June 20, 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the Use of County Road Right-of-Ways for Special Events permit application for Robertson County Gunslingers Trail Riding Club scheduled for Friday, June 20, 2025, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- E. Discuss and take action on Mass Gathering application. Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the Mass Gathering application for the Robertson County Gunslingers Trail Riding Club, pending liability insurance and any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- F. Discuss and take action to ratify and place of record the agreement between CATRAC and Robertson County Office of Emergency Management. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to ratify and place of record the agreement between CATRAC and Robertson County Office of Emergency Management, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- G. Discuss and take action to ratify and place of record the application and resolution for the 2026 SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant Program.
 Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to ratify and place of record the application and resolution for the 2026 – SB 224 Catalytic Converter Grant Program, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- H. Discuss and take action on approval to pay (3) three invoices from CDW-G for MDT's and Docking stations in the amount of \$64,585.95 (Sourcewell Contract) using SB22 funds. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve to pay (3) three invoices from CDW-G for MDT's and Docking stations in the amount of \$64,585.95 (Sourcewell Contract) using SB22 funds, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- Discuss and take action on approval to pay invoice from Kubota Tractor for Precinct 2 in the amount of \$87,721.24 (BuyBoard Cooperative Purchase) using ARPA funds that was approved in Commissioners Court on November 26, 2024.
 Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to pay invoice from Kubota Tractor for Precinct 2 in the amount of \$87,721.24 (BuyBoard Cooperative Purchase) using ARPA funds that was approved in Commissioners Court on November 26, 2024, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and
- motion carried unanimously.
 J. Discuss and take action on approval to pay invoice from PlanNorth in the amount of \$4000.00 using ARPA funds that was originally approved in Commissioners Court on August 20, 2024.
 Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to pay invoice from PlanNorth in the amount of \$4000.00 using ARPA funds that were originally approved in Commissioners Court on August 20, 2024, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

- K. Discuss and take action on approval to pay invoice from Patillo, Brown & Hill, LLP for the single audit in the amount of \$9,000.00 using ARPA funds. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to pay invoice from Patillo, Brown & Hill, LLP for the single audit in the amount of \$9,000.00 using ARPA funds, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- Discuss and take action to change the name on the account with South Star Bank from Disaster Recovery Grant to TxCDBG Grant.
 Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve to change the name on the account with South Star Bank from Disaster Recovery Grant to TxCDBG Grant, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- M. Discuss and take action to place of record the (30) thirty-day Proclamation Disaster Declaration Related to Severe Weather that expires on June 13, 2025. Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the (30) thirty-day Proclamation – Disaster Declaration Related to Severe Weather that expires on June 13, 2025, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- N. Discuss and take action to award bid for Road & Bridge Precinct #1 for a used CAT M315 (or similar make & model), wheeled excavator to be financed with assistance from the U.S. Department of Treasury under the Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds (SLFRF/ARPA) program. Tabled.

16. 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 Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for Environmental Protection
- (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 Threadgill to approve payment for invoice from the Post Office (12 month box lease for Treasurer's Office) in the amount of \$120.00, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment for invoice for JP Precinct 4 (hotel parking) in the amount of \$30.00, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment for two invoices from All Family Mortuary (transports) in the amounts of \$1,150.00 & \$600.00, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$421,230.56 pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

17. 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.

18. 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.

19. ADJOURN

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

Robertson-County Judge

Commissioner Precinct #1

Commissioner Precinct #3

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Commissioner Precinct #2

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County Auditor

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