

A Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Robertson County, Texas was held on the 10th day of December 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.
No action taken.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Public discussion on Chapter 312 Tax Abatement Agreement for Big Rooter West, LLC.
No action taken.

5. STEPHANIE SANDERS, COUNTY CLERK

- A. Discuss and take action to approve minutes from November 26, 2024 regular & special meeting. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the minutes from the November 26, 2024 regular & special meeting, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously. Commissioner Taylor abstained.
- B. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for November 2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the monthly report for November 2024, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- C. Approve bonds and oaths. Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the Continuation Certificate for Traci Carol Lopez and Robert Brown, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

6. BARBARA AXTELL, DISTRICT CLERK

- A. Discuss and take action to approve monthly report for November 2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to approve the monthly report for November 2024, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

7. REBEKAH CALLAWAY, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR

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

8. 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.

9. DEE DEE FERRELL, 911 ADDRESSING COORDINATOR

- A. Discuss and take action on addressing for November 2024.
Discussion was held.

10. CHARLES PALCER, DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE/MAINTENANCE

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

11. TY RAMPY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

- A. Discussion and possible action on presentation from Apex Energy regarding Wind Turbines. Presentation was given.
- B. Discussion and possible action on approval of Special Road Use Permit.
Tabled.

12. CHUCK HAIRSTON, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

- A. Discussion and possible action on request from Mike Sangl for county approval to take Broken Branch Court and Fallen Oak Court in Precinct 2 (Precinct 3 takes care of these roads) into county inventory (approval to start 2 years maintenance was approved in Commissioners Court on May 17, 2022). Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to approve to take in Broken Branch Court and Fallen Oak Court into Precinct 2 county inventory (Precinct 3 takes care of these roads presently), pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- B. Discussion and possible action on presentation from Ross Bush for approval/rejection on Preliminary Subdivision Plat – EW25T in Precinct 3, Robertson County, Texas.
Tabled.

13. JOE DAVID SCARPINATO, COUNTY JUDGE

- A. Discussion and possible action on any budget related matters or county business.
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to place of record the Jurisdiction Summary for the Tax Office, 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. Discuss and take action to approve payment of Constable, Precinct 4 vehicle in the amount of \$46,675.35 that was approved in Commissioners Court on July 26, 2024.
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve purchase of Constable Pct. # 4 vehicle in the amount not to exceed \$49,999.99, pending approval of purchasing contract, co-op contract or buyboard and authorize payment and titles of trade-ins to be delivered to Holiday Chevrolet, AAA and/or Defender Supply and authorize any required signatures, seconded by Commissioner Taylor and motion carried unanimously.
- E. Discuss and take action to purchase a new SQL Server license for EDOC Server for County and District Clerk.
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to approve the purchase of a new SQL Server license for the EDOC Server for the County and District Clerks office in the amount of \$8,289.38 to BVCOG (to be paid out of the District and County Clerks technology fund), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- F. Discuss and take action to approve the Revised HOT Fund Request & Reimbursement packet.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve the Revised HOT Fund Request & Reimbursement packet, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- G. Discuss and take action to place of record the MOU's for the remaining funds totaling \$710,231.03 for the ARPA grant that was originally approved in Commissioners Court on November 26, 2024.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to place of record the MOU's for the remaining funds totaling \$710,231.03 for the ARPA grant that was originally approved in Commissioners Court on November 26, 2024, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.
- H. Discuss and take action to place of record the monthly report for November for the Veterans Service Officer.
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to place of record the monthly report for November for the Veterans Service Officer, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- I. Discuss and take action to acknowledge that we have received the 3-year option payment of \$64.50 (Sixty-Four & 50/100 Dollars) to be considered and accepted as the full and complete compensation paid to us this date by Hawkwood Energy East Texas, LLC. covering 0.258 acres described in that certain Oil Gas and Mineral Lease dated December 13, 2021 referenced by Memorandum of Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease recorded in Volume 1480, Page 95 in the Official Public Records of Robertson County, Texas. Approval for Judge to sign Affidavit of Receipt of Payment and get notarized.
Motion was made by Judge Scarpinato to acknowledge that we have received the 3-year option payment of \$64.50 (Sixty-Four & 50/100 Dollars) to accepted the full and complete compensation paid to us this date by Hawkwood Energy East Texas, LLC. covering 0.258 acres described in that certain Oil Gas and Mineral Lease dated December 13, 2021 referenced by Memorandum of Oil, Gas and Mineral Lease recorded in Volume 1480, Page 95 in the Official Public Records of Robertson County, Texas and approve the Judge to sign Affidavit of Receipt of Payment and get notarized, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.
- J. Discuss and take action to place of record the Amended Subrecipient Contract with City of Bremond for the allocated funds for waterline infrastructure funded by The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); amended contract in the amount of \$65,295.94 that was approved in Commissioners Court on October 15, 2024.
Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to place of record the Amended Subrecipient Contract with City of Bremond for the allocated funds for waterline infrastructure funded by The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); amended contract in the amount of \$65,295.94 was approved in Commissioners Court on October 15, 2024, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- K. Discuss and take action to appoint/reappoint members to the Robertson County Historical Commission (CHC) for 2025-2026 term.
Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to reappoint all previous member to the Robertson County Historical Commission (CHC) for 2025-2026 term with no changes, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- L. Discuss and take action to approve the re-appointment of Sheriff Gerald Yezak as a Board of Trustee Member to the MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley to fill the upcoming term, March 1, 2025 through February 28, 2027.
Motion was made by Commissioner Hairston to re-appoint Sheriff Gerald Yezak as a Board of Trustee Member to the MHMR Authority of Brazos Valley to fill the upcoming term, March 1, 2025 through February 28, 2027, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.
- M. Discuss and take action to place of record the Order Rescinding the Outdoor Burn Ban Implemented on November 26, 2024 that is effective at 6:00pm on December 6, 2024.
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to place of record the Order Rescinding the Outdoor Burn Ban Implemented on November 26, 2024 that is effective at 6:00pm on December 6, 2024, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.
- N. Discussion and possible action for court to consider Tax Abatement Agreement for Big Rooter West, LLC.
Tabled.
- O. Court to consider and/or act upon authorizing purchase of Department of Transportation Clearinghouse Query

Plan Bundle per requirement of Department of Transportation for County Employees required to have a CDL to perform their duties; providing funds for said purchase, and designating County Judges Office as responsible for maintaining records of CDL queries and results.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the purchase of the Department of Transportation Clearinghouse Query Plan Bundle per requirement of Department of Transportation for County Employees required to have a CDL to perform their duties; providing funds for said purchase, and designating County Judges Office as responsible for maintaining records of CDL queries and results, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

14. 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 the Jail (see attached adjustment), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve the budget adjustment for the 911 Office (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 payment to WC Tractor in the amount of \$20,638.38 to be paid out of R & B Precinct 1 repair and maintenance line, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Taylor to approve payment to Plan North in the amount of \$20,000.00 to be paid out of ARPA Funds, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Hairston and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve payment to Thomson Reuters West Publishing Corporation in the amount of \$206.73 (District Courts Software), seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy approve accounts payable in the amount of \$386,652.12, pending any necessary signatures, seconded by Commissioner Threadgill and motion carried unanimously.

- C. Discuss and take action on filing monthly report.

Motion was made by Commissioner Threadgill to approve filing the monthly report for August 2024 & September 2024, seconded by Commissioner Rampy and motion carried unanimously.

15. 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.

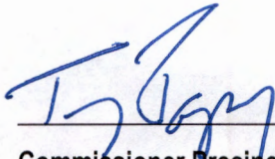
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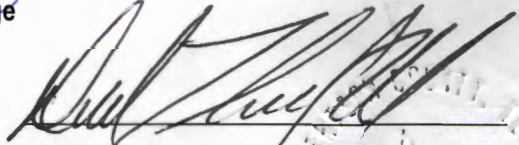
- A. The Robertson County Commissioners' Court will reconvene in a public meeting to discuss and take action on related matters.
No action taken.

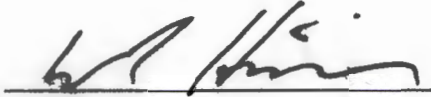
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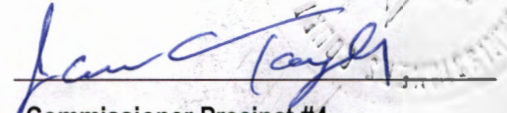
Motion was made by Commissioner Rampy to adjourn, seconded by Judge Scarpinato and motion carried unanimously.


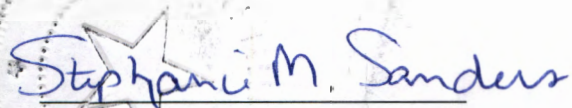

Robertson County Judge


Commissioner Precinct #1


Commissioner Precinct #2


Commissioner Precinct #3


Commissioner Precinct #4



Stephanie M. Sanders
County Clerk


Absent
County Auditor

December 30, 2024