JONES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 14, 2023 - 9:00 AM

The Commissioner's Court of Jones County, Texas, met this day in regular session with the following members present: Dale Spurgin, County Judge, presiding; Roy Spalding, Commissioner Precinct 1; Lonnie Vivian, Commissioner Precinct 2; Ross Davis, Commissioner Precinct 3; Joel Spraberry, Commissioner Precinct 4; and LeeAnn Jennings, Jones County Clerk.

- 1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING.
 - Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to approve the minutes from the July 24, 2023 meeting as presented. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye
- 2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING ALL TRUST PROPERTY BIDS AS ONE ACTION ITEM, AGENDA ITEMS 3-4. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve agenda items three and four as one action item. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.
- 3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A BID SUBMITTED BY LYNDA VAYE LAURIE FOR THE PURCHASE OF (R13966), LOTS 7, 8, & 9, IN BLOCK 126, IN THE CITY OF HAMLIN, JONES COUNTY, TEXAS. THE BID AMOUNT IS \$150.00. COURT COST HAS BEEN WAIVED. Refer to agenda item 2. See Exhibit A.
- 4. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A BID SUBMITTED BY JOHN WAYNE BENAVIDES FOR THE PURCHASE OF (R27206), LOT 3 IN BLOCK 21 OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF HAMLIN, JONES COUNTY, TEXAS. THE BID AMOUNT IS \$120.00. COURT COST HAS BEEN WAIVED. Refer to agenda item 2. See Exhibit B.
- 5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISASTER DECLARATION FOR DR-4416 AND ALL ITEMS RELATED REGARDING FEMA AND TDEM FORMS AND REQUIREMENTS.

 No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISASTER DECLARATION FOR ONGOING WEATHER EVENTS THAT BEGAN ON JUNE 14, 2023. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TXDOT ADVANCED FUNDING AGREEMENT FOR BITTERCREEK AND DRAW BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECTS.

Commissioner Spraberry entered a motion to approve the advanced funding agreement with TXDOT for bridge at Bittercreek on CR 449 and Draw Bridge replacement on CR 443. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit C.

- 8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TXDOT PEDESTRIAN COUNT AT COURTHOUSE. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TAC CYBER SECURITY TRAINING. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court. See Exhibit D.
- 10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANSON SOLAR CENTER ROAD USE AGREEMENT. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 11. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

- 12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT PURCHASE FOR ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT FROM ARPA FUNDS. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve the purchase of a 2023 John Deere excavator from Yellowhouse Machinery in the amount of \$313,200.00 to be purchased with ARPA funds. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit E.
- 13. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON MATERIAL AND MATERIAL HAULING BIDS.

 Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to accept a new material bid from Vulcan.

 Commissioner Davis seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit F.
- 14. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF DESKS FOR TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR OFFICE USING ARPA FUNDS.

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to purchase three desks for the Tax Assessor/Collector Office from O'Kelley Office Supply in the amount of \$7,248.00 to be paid with ARPA funds. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit G.

- 15. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANSON SOLAR CENTER PHASE II AND BATTERY PROJECT. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 16. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE LOCAL GOVERNEMENT CORPORATION AND JONES COUNTY FOR CAPITAL CASES. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve the agreement with the Regional Public Defender Office Local Government Corporation in the amount of \$8,516.00 to provide defense services to indigent defendants in Jones County. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit H.
- 17. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING SB 22 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CONSTABLE'S OFFICES, AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICES IN RURAL COUNTIES.

 No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- **18. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON INSURANCE CLAIM FOR STORM DAMAGE.**No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.
- 19. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN JONES COUNTY AND THE CITY OF ABILENE FOR ELECTION TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 7, 2023. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve the interlocal agreement with the City of Abilene for an election to be held on November 7, 2023. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit I.
- **20. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A JUVENILE CONTRACT FOR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE 259**TH **JUDICIAL DISTRICT AND RITE OF PASSAGE, INC.** Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve a juvenile contract for residential services with Rite of Passage, Inc. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit J.
- 21. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A CONTRACT AND AGREEMENT FOR PLACEMENT OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS BETWEEN GARZA COUNTY AND THE 259TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve a contract for placement of juvenile offenders with Garza County. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit K.

22. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BURN BAN.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to implement a 90 day burn ban. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit L.

23. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BROADBAND INTERNET PROJECT AND GRANT APPLICATION. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

24. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

25. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2023 PROPOSED TAX RATE.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

26. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE FOR PROPOSED 2023 TAX RATE AND 2024 PROPOSED BUDGET. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

27. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2024 BUDGET WORKSHOP.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

28. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit M.

29. AMEND BUDGET AND APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS.

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to amend budget and approve line item transfers.

Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit N.

30. PAY BILLS.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to pay the bills as presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

DISCUSSION ITEM

The Extension Office submitted an office agenda for the Court to review. See Exhibit O.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

County Judge

Commissioner Precinct 2

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LeeAnn Jennings, County Cler

& Clerk of the Court