

**JONES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2024 - 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 September 9, 2024 regular meeting as presented. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2025 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING.

Judge Spurgin opened the public hearing on the 2025 budget at 9:02 AM and closed the public hearing at 9:25 AM with no public comment.

3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2024 TAX RATES PUBLIC HEARING.

Judge Spurgin opened the public hearing on the 2024 tax rate at 9:03 AM and closed the public hearing at 9:30 AM with no public comment.

4. 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.

5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON HAULING AND MATERIAL BIDS.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANSON SOLAR CENTER PHASE I & II.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON WEIGHT LIMITS SIGNAGE ON COUNTY ROAD BRIDGES.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON UNCLAIMED COOPERATIVE CREDITS FROM COMPTROLLERS OFFICE.

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to distribute the unclaimed cooperative credits from the Comptroller's Office in the amount of \$3,581.66 to the Jones County Child Welfare Board. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SURPLUS DISTRIBUTION CHECK FROM TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES HEALTH INSURANCE.

Texas Association of Counties Health Insurance presented Jones County with a surplus distribution check in the amount of \$40,000.00. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ADOPTION OF 2025 BUDGET.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to adopt the 2025 budget. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. Judge Spurgin polled the court. Commissioner Spalding voted aye. Commissioner Vivian voted aye. Commissioner Davis voted aye. Commissioner Spraberry voted aye. Judge Spurgin voted aye. See Exhibit A.

11. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 2024 TAX RATES.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion that the 2024 property tax rate be increased from the 2023 tax rate by the adoption of a total tax rate of \$0.558096, which is effectively a 6.94% increase in the tax rate above the no new revenue tax rate. Maintenance and Operation (M&O) tax rate of \$0.510156 per \$100 valuation and Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate of \$0.047940 per \$100 valuation capped at \$0.80 per \$100 valuation. Maintenance of Public Roads tax rate of \$0.00 per \$100 valuation capped at \$0.15 per \$100 valuation. Farm to Market Road or Flood Control tax rate of \$0.00 per \$100 valuation capped at \$0.30 per \$100 valuation. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. Judge Spurgin polled the court. Commissioner Spalding voted aye. Commissioner Vivian voted aye. Commissioner Davis voted aye. Commissioner Spraberry voted aye. Judge Spurgin voted aye. See Exhibit B.

12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO RATIFY 2024 TAX RATES.

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to ratify the 2024 tax rates. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion. Judge Spurgin polled the court. Commissioner Spalding voted aye. Commissioner Vivian voted aye. Commissioner Davis voted aye. Commissioner Spraberry voted aye. Judge Spurgin voted aye.

13. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TREASURER’S REPORT.

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit C.

14. AMEND BUDGET AND APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to amend the budget and approve line-item transfers. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit D.

15. PAY BILLS.

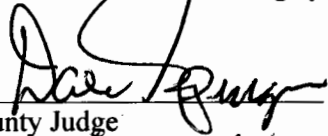
Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to pay the bills as presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

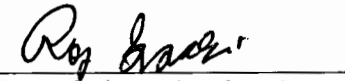
DISCUSSION ITEM

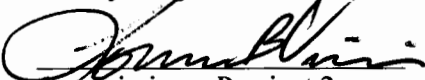
The Extension Office submitted an office agenda for the Court to review. See Exhibit E.

ADJOURN

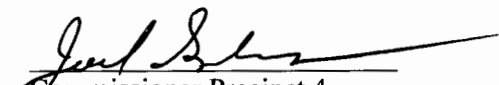
Commissioner Davis entered a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

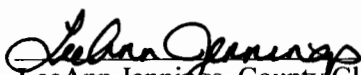

County Judge


Commissioner Precinct 1


Commissioner Precinct 2


Commissioner Precinct 3


Commissioner Precinct 4

Attest: 
LeeAnn Jennings, County Clerk
& Clerk of the Court

