

STATE OF TEXAS §

DATE: June 23, 2020

COUNTY OF POLK §

REGULAR MEETING

COUNTY CLERK - ABSENT

COMMISSIONERS COURT

AGENDA POSTING #2020-058

Be it remembered on this the 23rd day of June, 2020, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in "REGULAR" called meeting with the following officers and members present, to wit;

Honorable Sydney Murphy – County Judge presiding,

Bob Willis – Commissioner Pct #1

Ronnie Vincent - Commissioner Pct #2,

Milton Purvis - Commissioner Pct #3,

C.T. "Tommy" Overstreet - Commissioner Pct #4,

Crystal Harris – Chief Deputy County Clerk and

Louis Ploth – County Auditor.

The following agenda items, orders and decrees were duly made, considered & passed.

1. WELCOMED & CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 A.M. BY JUDGE MURPHY.
 - INVOCATION LED BY KEVAN WOODS WITH FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LIVINGSTON
 - PLEDGES TO U.S. AND TEXAS FLAGS LED BY CRYSTAL HARRIS, CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

3. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

JUDGE MURPHY ADVISED REQUESTS FROM PROTESTORS REGARDING LAW ENFORCEMENT HAVE BEEN FORWARDED TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OFFICE, JUDGE'S OFFICES, AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT.

JUDGE MURPHY ANNOUNCED THAT POLK COUNTY WAS IN THE TOP FOUR FOR COMPLETE RESTORATION. HOWEVER, ONLY THREE COUNTIES WERE CHOSEN AND THE COUNTY WILL REAPPLY NEXT YEAR.

A. JUDGE MURPHY RECOGNIZED THE WINNERS OF THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COUNTY BOBBY SMITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (SPONSORED BY LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR)

- COLE FOSTER – BIG SANDY ISD
- MAURICIO ORTIZ – CORRIGAN-CAMDEN ISD
- ANDREA CHAVEZ – GOODRICH ISD
- CASSIDY VALDEREZ – LEGGETT ISD
- VILAY MYERS – LIVINGSTON ISD
- BRANDON LANE SMITH – ONALASKA ISD

B. JUDGE MURPHY RECOGNIZED THE WINNERS OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SCHOLARSHIP (SPONSORED BY MANAGEMENT & TRAINING CORPORATION "MTC")

- ELIZABETH OCHOA – CORRIGAN-CAMDEN ISD
- LIZETTE ANGEL – GOODRICH ISD
- GIOVANNI OLIVARES – LIVINGSTON ISD

NEW BUSINESS

4. CONSENT AGENDA: JUDGE MURPHY NOTED AGENDA ITEM B INCLUDES ADDENDUMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235,400, \$4,654.72, \$7,313.70 AND \$144,097.98. MOTIONED BY BOB WILLIS, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS:

(ALL VOTING YES)

A. TABLED MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2020 (REGULAR SESSION)

B. APPROVE SCHEDULE OF BILLS, INCLUDING ADDENDUMS. (SEE ATTACHED)

DATE	AMOUNT	FUND	CHECK #
6/11/2020	696.13	General	282965
6/12/2020	4,884.98	General	282966-282971
6/12/2020	1,710.92	General	282972-282973
6/7/2020	109,627.06	General	ACH # 1549, 1554, 1556, 1557, 1558
7/1/2020	17,444.34	General	282974-282977
6/23/2020	51,525.00	Grant	1041
6/23/2020	105,435.00	Grant	1042
6/15/2020	8,376.71	General	282978-282981
6/16/2020	6.50	General	282982

6/17/2020	1,345.28	Grant	282988-282992
6/23/2020	232,249.57	General	282993-283083
6/23/2020	Addendum #1	\$235,440	1043
6/23/2020	Addendum #2	\$4,654.72	1044
6/19/2020	Addendum #3	\$7,313.70	256-258
6/23/2020	Addendum #4	\$144,097.98	283091-283146
TOTAL	\$924,807.89		

- C. RECEIVE COUNTY AUDITOR'S MONTHLY REPORT, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 114.025.
- D. APPROVE HOST AGENCY AGREEMENT WITH MOTIVATION EDUCATION & TRAINING, INC. (MET) FOR SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FOR JULY 1, 2020- OCT. 31, 2020. (SEE ATTACHED)
- E. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE COUNSEL (ADAC) FOR SPACE AT 602 E. CHURCH STREET, SUITE 120.0 (SEE ATTACHED)
- F. APPROVE PUBLIC OFFICIAL POSITION SCHEDULE BONDS (BLANKET BONDS) FOR RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCT 4.
- G. APPROVE APPOINTMENTS OF RICARD DELANEY AND TARA ALLYSON BURMAN TO RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4.
- H. APPROVE TO RESTORE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF RESERVE CONSTABLE DEPUTIES FOR PRECINCT 3 CONSTABLES.
- I. APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT RENEWING SUPPLEMENTAL COUNTY PARKING AT 321 NORTH BEATTY AVENUE. (SEE ATTACHED)
- J. APPROVE UPDATE TO COUNTY MASTER STREET ADDRESS GUIDE (MSAG).
- K. APPROVE RENEWAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES RISK MANAGEMENT POOL AND APPLICATION FOR PROVISION OF INSURANCE COVERAGES TO INCLUDE WORKERS COMPENSATION, AUTO (PHYSICAL DAMAGE & LIABILITY) AND GENERAL-PUBLIC OFFICIALS-LAW ENFORCEMENT LIABILITIES.
- L. RECEIVE COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL ROAD REPORTS PURSUANT TO TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE SECTION 251.005. (SEE ATTACHED)
- M. APPROVE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DR. RAY LUNA AS LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO TEXAS HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 121.021, FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM COMMENCING JULY 11, 2020, TO INCLUDE APPOINTMENT AS INFECTION CONTROL OFFICER AND NAMING OF DR. JEFF LUNA AS ALTERNATE INFECTION CONTROL OFFICER, PURSUANT TO HEALTH & SAFETY CODE CHAPTER 81 AS AMENDED BY S.B. 1574.

5. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

A. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY BOB WILLIS, APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORM REQUESTS SUBMITTED SINCE LAST MEETING AND AUTHORIZING 1 EMERGENCY HIRE IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

ALL VOTING YES.

(SEE ATTACHED)

6. BUDGET REVISIONS/AMENDMENTS:

A. MOTIONED BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, APPROVAL OF FY2020 BUDGET REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

ALL VOTING YES.

(SEE ATTACHED)

7. MOTIONED BY RONNIE VINCENT, SECONDED BY MILTON PURVIS, APPROVAL TO PURCHASE TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTIES AS FOLLOWS:

(PCT.2) LOTS 1,2 AND 3, BLOCK 2, SECTION 2, WELLS LANDING, CAUSE #T18-122

ALL VOTING YES.

8. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY BOB WILLIS, APPROVAL OF FINAL PLAT OF THE MILL CREEK SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN PRECINCT 4.

ALL VOTING YES.

9. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY BOB WILLIS, APPROVAL OF REVISED FINAL PLAT OF HIGHLAND HILLS SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN PRECINCT 4.

ALL VOTING YES.

10. MOTIONED BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY BOB WILLIS, APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY JUDGE SYDNEY MURPHY AND COMMISSIONER TOMMY OVERSTREET TO SERVE ON THE DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE 2020-2021 TERM.

ALL VOTING YES.

11. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, TO TABLE CONSIDERATION OF AGREEMENT WITH VIDEOMAGISTRATE FOR POLK COUNTY JUSTICE COURTS.

12. THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR STATE URGENT NEEDS

FUNDS WILL BE READVERTISED, SINCE NO PROPOSALS HAD BEEN RECEIVED.

13. MOTIONED BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVAL TO NEGOTIATE A NEW LEASE WITH MANN EYE CENTER AT THE POLK COUNTY REGIONAL HEALTH BUILDING FOR UP TO TWO YEARS.

ALL VOTING YES.

14. MOTIONED BY RONNIE VINCENT, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVAL OF THIRTY-DAY EXTENSION OF THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER ISSUED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT ON APRIL 28, 2020 FOR THE AREAS IMPACTED BY THE APRIL TORNADO. (SEE ATTACHED)

ALL VOTING YES.

15. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, APPROVAL TO REVISE NUISANCE ABATEMENT PROCEDURES (POLICY) FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF POLK COUNTY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 343 OF THE TEXAS HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, AUTHORIZING JUSTICES OF THE PEACE TO ACT AS HEARING OFFICERS.

ALL VOTING YES.

16. DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF ACTION REGARDING THE FY2021 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT.

JUDGE MURPHY ADVISED THE COURT OF KEY DATES AND UPCOMING BUDGET-RELATED AGENDA ITEMS. AD VALOREM TAX REVENUE CALCULATIONS IN DRAFT BUDGET ARE STILL BASED ON ESTIMATES AND CERTIFIED VALUES SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR BUDGET DEVELOPMENT BY JULY 28.

JUDGE MURPHY NOTED THAT THE HISTORICAL COLLECTION RATES IN PRIOR RECESSIONS SUGGESTS THAT WE CAN EXPECT A COLLECTION RATE OF 97%, SO THAT WAS ADJUSTED FOR THE PROPOSED BUDGET, INCREASING THE PROJECTED REVENUES FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND ROAD & BRIDGE FUNDS.

SHE THEN NOTED ALL SIGNIFICANT CHANGES MADE TO THE DRAFT BUDGET WORKBOOK SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING, AND ADVISED ON THE NEED TO GET CONTROL OF PERSONNEL EXPENSES – THE LARGEST COUNTY EXPENDITURE. SHE ASKED THE COURT TO CONSIDER FREEZING ALL MERIT RAISES FROM THIS POINT FORWARD AND THROUGH THE NEXT BUDGET YEAR TO REDUCE THE IMPACT ON THE NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET.

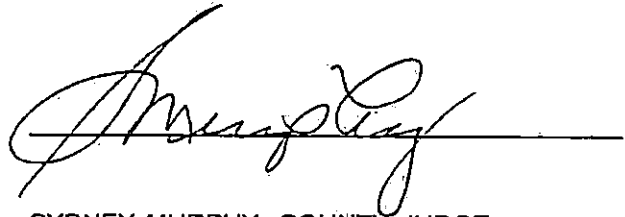
MOTIONED BY BOB WILLIS, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVAL TO FREEZE MERIT FUNDS EFFECTIVE JUNE 23, 2020 THROUGH THE FY2021 BUDGET CYCLE AND TO REVISIT ANY/ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS REGARDING THE FY2021 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT.

ALL VOTING YES.

ADJOURN:

MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY MILTON PURVIS, TO ADJOURN COURT THIS 23RD
DAY OF JUNE 2020 AT 11:04 A.M.

ALL VOTING YES.



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SYDNEY MURPHY, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:



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SCHELANA HOCK, COUNTY CLERK

BY: _____

CRYSTAL HARRIS