

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
AGENDA POSTING # 2021-114**

Be it remembered on this the 14TH day of **December, 2021**, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in “**REGULAR**” called meeting with the following officers and members present, to wit;

- Honorable Sydney Murphy – County Judge presiding,
- Guylene Robertson – 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’s Office
- Louis Ploth – County Auditor.

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

1. WELCOMED & CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 A.M. BY JUDGE SYDNEY MURPHY.
 - INVOCATION LED BY DAVID DARDEN, NEW BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH.
 - PLEDGE TO U.S. & TEXAS FLAGS LED BY CRYSTAL HARRIS.
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NO ONE PRESENT FOR COMMENTS.
3. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

JUDGE MURPHY NOTED THAT DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, THE SCORING COMMITTEE WAS UNABLE TO MEET TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATOR OR ENGINEER FOR THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS, SO THE SELECTION WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR THE DECEMBER 28TH AGENDA.

 - A. PRESENTATION OF THE POLK COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE “EXCELLENCE IN SAFETY AWARD” FOR FY2021 TO TERRY VIKEN OF THE POLK COUNTY TREASURERS OFFICE.
 - B. BETSY DEITERMAN, CURATOR OF THE POLK COUNTY MEMORIAL MUSEUM, PRESENTED END OF THE YEAR REPORT FOR FY2021. BETSY ADVISED ATTENDANCE IN CHILDREN HAS INCREASED 32%, THE MUSEUM IS NOW EQUIPPED WITH EMERGENCY LIGHTING AND EXIT SIGNS, AND ALL DONATIONS ARE NOW BEING CATALOGED.

NEW BUSINESS

4. CONSENT AGENDA: JUDGE MURPHY NOTED ADDENDUMS ON ITEM B IN THE AMOUNTS OF \$25,467.59, \$215,326.84, \$19.00 AND \$18,206.74. MOTIONED BY RONNIE VINCENT, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS:
(ALL VOTING YES)
 - A. APPROVE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 22, 2021 (REGULAR SESSION).
 - B. APPROVE SCHEDULES OF BILLS, INCLUDING ADDENDUMS. (SEE ATTACHED)

| DATE | AMOUNT | FUND | CHECK # |
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| 11/8/2021 | 103,379.78 | General | ACH 2273, 2278, 2280, 2281, 2282 |

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| 11/24/2021 | 227,814.27 | General | ACH 2251,2263, 22469,2277 |
| 11/30/2021 | 2,074.92 | General | 291019-291020 |
| 12/2/2021 | 89.33 | General | 291063 |
| 12/3/2021 | 4,648.07 | Grants | 1095 |
| 12/3/2021 | 55,579.90 | General | 291037-291058 |
| 12/6/2021 | 15,910.99 | General | 291064 |
| 12/6/2021 | 13,630.08 | Retiree Health Trust | 339-340 |
| 12/6/2021 | 265,743.56 | General | 291065-291081 |
| 12/14/2021 | 12,729.91 | Grants | 1092-1093 |
| 12/14/2021 | 23,460.35 | General | 291059-291062 |
| 12/14/2021 | 25,124.36 | General | 291082-291101 |
| 12/14/2021 | 22,959.93 | General | 291102-291115 |
| 12/14/2021 | 338,723.05 | General | 291116-291247 |
| 12/10/2021 | 101,214.80 | General | ACH 2289,2296,2297, 2298,2294 |
| 12/10/2021 | 2,074.92 | General | 291248-291249 |
| | Addendum #1 | \$25,467.59 to appear on future schedule | |
| | Addendum #2 | \$215,326.84 to appear on future schedule | |
| | Addendum #3 | \$19.00 to appear on future schedule | |
| | Addendum #4 | \$18,206.74 to appear on future schedule | |
| TOTAL | \$1,215,158.22 | | |

- C. APPROVE ORDER DESIGNATING SURPLUS PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AND OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. (SEE ATTACHED)
- D. APPROVE RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT WITH BLACKBOARD CONNECT.
- E. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT RENEWING SERVICES WITH HARRIS COUNTY FOR POSTMORTEM EXAMINATIONS. (SEE ATTACHED)
- F. APPROVE REQUEST FROM SCOTT HUGHES, CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1, FOR ASSET FORFEITURE EXPENDITURE OF SEIZED PROPERTY NOT TO EXCEED \$268.22 FOR TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT TO RESERVE DEPUTY BEAU PRICE.

5. PERSONNEL MATTERS:

- A. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY MILTON PURVIS, APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS SUBMITTED SINCE LAST MEETING, AUTHORIZING EIGHT (8) EMERGENCY HIRES AT THE JAIL AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

- ALL VOTING YES. (SEE ATTACHED)
- B. MOTIONED BY RONNIE VINCENT, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, TO APPROVE UPDATE TO PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REGARDING JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR I AND II.
ALL VOTING YES. (SEE ATTACHED)
6. BUDGET REVISIONS/AMENDMENTS:
A. MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVAL OF FY2021 & FY2022 BUDGET REVISIONS #2021-22 & #2022-5 AND AMENDEMENTS #2021-22(A) & #2022-05(A), AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE.
ALL VOTING YES. (SEE ATTACHED)
7. MOTIONED BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES OF \$26,173.99 FROM MAINTENANCE CAPITAL OUTLAY BUILDINGS (BUDGETED FUNDS) FOR A REPLACEMENT WALK-IN COOLER AT THE AGING DEPARTMENT. JUDGE MURPHY ADVISED THE PREVIOUS COOLER WAS STRUCK BY LIGHTENING AND AN INSURANCE CLAIM HAS BEEN FILED.
ALL VOTING YES. (SEE ATTACHED)
8. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO TAKE NO ACTION TO ADOPT ORDER REGULATING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY, AND ALLOWING PEOPLE TO PURCHASE FIREWORKS DURING THE DECEMBER HOLIDAY PERIOD.
ALL VOTING YES.
9. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN POLK COUNTY AND COMMISSIONER PURVIS FOR STORAGE OF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (CTIF) MATERIALS FOR A ONE-YEAR AND SUCCESSIVE ONE-YEAR RENEWALS UNLESS WRITTEN NOTICE TO CANCEL IS RECEIVED BY EITHER PARTY, OR UNTIL THE COMMISSIONER NO LONGER HOLDS THIS OFFICE.
GUYLENE ROBERTSON VOTING YES.
MILTON PURVIS ABSTAINED. (SEE ATTACHED)
10. MOTIONED BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR TXDOT OFF-SYSTEM BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM. JUDGE MURPHY ADVISED THE BRIDGE ON SUNFLOWER WILL BE CLOSED AND THE BRIDGES ON DARDEN, KENNEDY, AND CARMONA WILL REMAIN OPEN.
ALL VOTING YES. (SEE ATTACHED)
11. MOTIONED BY RONNIE VINCENT, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, APPROVE REQUEST TO PROCEED WITH REPLAT OF FOUR CORNERS SUBDIVISION PHASE 4, BLOCK ONE LOTS FIFTEEN THROUGH THIRTY AND LOTS SIXTY-FIVE THROUGH 73 BLOCK THREEE (REMOVING LOTS) AND NEW PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR FOUR CORNERS PHASE 4 (THE PARK). JUDGE MURPHY ADVISED THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE SET FOR JANUARY 11, 2022 AND THE HEARING WILL NEED TO BE ADVERTISED FOR 21 DAYS.
ALL VOTING YES.
12. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY RONNIE VINCENT, TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM FALCONE FOREST, SECTION THREE SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 4 FOR VARIANCE TO POLK COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS DESIGN STANDARDS, INCREASING

LIMIT OF SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING PER LOT TO TWO IF LOTS ARE AT LEAST 5 ACRES OR LARGER WITH ADEQUATE SEWER AND WATER AVAILABILITY AND THE APPROPRIATE PERMITS.

ALL VOTING YES.

13. MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY GUYELENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION TO EXEMPT FROM COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS THE DEVELOPMENT OF ABST 970 PETER WHITAKER SURVEY LOCATED IN PRECINCT 4 AND CONSISTING OF TWO TRACTS WITH INDIVIDUAL ACCESS TO EXISTING PUBLIC ROADS WITH NO OTHER COMMON AREAS AND/OR STREETS.

ALL VOTING YES.

(SEE ATTACHED)

14. MOTION BY MILTON PURVIS, SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET TO UPGRADE COUNTY ELECTION EQUIPMENT TO COMPLY WITH TEXAS ELECTION CODE, CHAPTER 129, UPDATED IN THE 87TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

ALL VOTING YES.

(SEE ATTACHED)


PRECINCT 1 CONSTABLE SCOTT HUGHES ADDRESSED THE COURT AND STATED THE AUDITOR ADVISED HIM OF OVERPAYMENT OF WAGES BEYOND THE TERMS OF THE CURRENT MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING. HUGHES STATED THIS WAS DUE TO ASSISTING DURING COVID-19 CLINICS AND PATROLS FOR THE SHERIFFS OFFICE. LOUIS PLOTH, AUDITOR, CONFIRMED THIS WAS REGARDING SEIZURE MONEY AND NOT COUNTY MONEY.

15. MOTION BY GUYELENE ROBERTSON, AND SECONDED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET TO APPROVE OVERPAYMENT OF WAGES ON MOU BETWEEN POLK COUNTY AND POLK COUNTY PRECINCT 1 CONSTABLE IN REFERENCE TO RESERVE DEPUTY PATROL IN PRECINCT 1 FROM CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1 ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS.


ADJOURN:

MOTIONED BY TOMMY OVERSTREET, SECONDED BY MILTON PURVIS, TO ADJOURN COURT THIS 14TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2021 AT 10:40 A.M.

ALL VOTING YES.


SYDNEY MURPHY, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:


SCHELANA HOCK, COUNTY CLERK

BY: 
CRYSTAL HARRIS, CHIEF DEPUTY