

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF FALLS COUNTY

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES COUNTY OF FALLS

COMMISSIONER'S COURT MINUTES FOR MARCH 25, 2024

1. Proof of posting of notice in accordance with the provisions of Title 5, Chapter 551, Government Code (Vernon's Texas Codes Ann. 1994) as amended, known as the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Judge Elliott asked for proof of posting and the same was affirmed by Elizabeth Perez, County Clerk, on the North and South door and the bulletin board. Commissioner Wuebker was not present for the meeting.

2. Public comments.

Wally Burns stated that he would like to see an option to donate his check he received from helping with the election to an organization within the county. Sheryl Pringle, County Treasurer, stated that he can bring his check to her office and state which organization he would like to donate to.

3. Elected official reports.

No elected official reports.

4. Discussion and/or action concerning American Rescue Plan.

Jerri Gauntt, Grant Manager, gave an RFP template for reference, because in the next month an RFP contract, for construction on the bridges, will need to be put out for the Road and Bridge Department for the work that is being done only for ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act). It needs to be a 2-year contract for a specific amount and not to exceed an amount. Jim Hanks, our engineer, has a not to exceed contract and he has not come close to billing for that amount. We need to get with Jim Hanks and get a better estimate on the bridges, so Jerri, Grant Manager, and Georgie Patterson, County Auditor, can obligate the funds for other things in the county.

Jerri Gauntt also discussed the non-profit organizations. There are several that are not in compliance. They have not submitted their documentation so they can be reimbursed. Jerri said that we need to send out notices by the end of April and have everything in compliance by the end of July, or they will lose their funds.

5. Discussion and/or action concerning air conditioner repair.

Commissioner Green made a motion to approve Zip Air for the air conditioner repair at the courthouse. Commissioner Willberg seconded; motion carried.

6. Discussion and/or action concerning Sheriff's office racial profiling report.

Commissioner Willberg made a motion to accept the Sheriff's office racial profiling report. Commissioner Albright seconded; motion carried.

7. Discussion and/or action concerning Falls County Child Protective Services board members.

Sharon Scott, Chief Deputy for County Clerk, stated the Falls County Child Protective Services board needs members. She recommended that Elizabeth Perez, Vanessa Dodd, Rita Dorsey, and Kelly Szelestey be appointed to serve on the Falls County Child Protective Services board.

Commissioner Green made a motion to accept the names Sharon Scott recommended. Commissioner Albright seconded; motion carried.

8. Discussion and/or action concerning WW II memorial concrete work.

Commissioner Green made a motion to approve the new total of \$13,000 from Sanchez Driveways. Commissioner Albright seconded; motion carried.

9. Discussion and/or action concerning electricity contract.

Falls County is currently using P3 for electricity with a contract that expires January 2026. Mantis Innovation presented a proposal for electricity, where we could lock in the rate now for a contract to begin after our current contract expires.

Commissioner Green made a motion to approve Mantis Innovation and allow Judge Elliott to work out the numbers and bring back to court if something changes. Commissioner Albright seconded; motion carried.

10. Discussion and/or action concerning Falls County water guide.

Jackson Mountain gave a presentation on creating a Water Guide to help the county with water supply. Falls County could benefit by being able to apply for grants. After a discussion, Commissioner Green made a motion to approve going forward with the application. Commissioner Albright seconded; motion carried with Commissioner Willberg being opposed.

11. Review and discussion of Road and Bridge precinct work reports, including Administrator's progress report.

Jeff Jackson was not present for the meeting, so Judge Elliott gave the Road and Bridge Report.

12. Discussion and/or action concerning the approving of payment of bills, including reimbursements, late charges, the transfer of cash or funds from any line item or departments to another, book transfers and any budget amendments; including but not limited to discussion and action concerning department or non-departmental items with line items that go past their budgeted amounts.

Commissioner Albright made a motion to approve the payment of all bills, budget amendments, and payroll. Commissioner Green seconded; motion carried.

13. Approval of minutes of prior meetings of Commissioner's Court.


Commissioner Willberg made a motion to approve the minutes of prior meetings. Commissioner Green seconded; motion carried.

14. Adjournment.

Judge Elliott adjourned the meeting at 10:22 a.m., after all items had been discussed.

Signed this 22 day of ^{April}~~March~~ 2024.


Jay T. Elliott, County Judge


F. A. Green, Comm.Pct#2

NOT PRESENT
Nita Wuebker, Comm.Pct#4


Milton Albright, Comm.Pct#1


Jason Willberg, Comm.Pct#3


Elizabeth Perez, County Clerk