

Minutes for the Madison County Commissioners Court Monday, July 13, 2020

Item #3

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MADISON

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MADISON COUNTY TEXAS

The Madison County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session the 13th day of July 2020, 9:30 a.m., in the Courtroom of the Madison County Courthouse Annex, 103 West Trinity Street, Suite 106, Madisonville, Texas with the following members:

Tony Leago	County Judge	Present
Ricky Driskell	Commissioner, Precinct 1	Present
Carl Wiseman	Commissioner, Precinct 2	Present
Carl Cannon	Commissioner, Precinct 3	Present
David Pohorelsky	Commissioner, Precinct 4	Present

ITEM 1. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAGS

The invocation and pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags were led by Judge Leago.

ITEM 2. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

COUNTY CLERK - SUSANNE MORRIS

ITEM 3. Review and/or correct minutes of Regular Meeting held June 22, 2020. See attached. Judge Leago asked for any comments or corrections to Regular Meeting minutes, there were none, they stand as presented, he said.

ITEM 4. COLLECTION REPORTS

a) Approve Collection Reports for County Clerk and County Criminal Court.

Susanne Morris, County Clerk gave June 2020 Collection Reports for County Clerk, \$15,499.00 and June 2020 County Criminal Court, \$5,602.16, as recorded in these minutes.

Commissioner Cannon moved for approval of the collection reports; Commissioner Driskell gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	Х			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	Х			

All in favor, motion carried.

- b) Approve Collection Reports for District Attorney No reports were submitted.
- c) Approve Collection Reports for District Clerk

Rhonda Savage, District Clerk provided the court with June 2020 collections, \$6,705.37.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve District Clerk's reporting; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge called for vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	Х			

All approved, motion carried.

TREASURER - JUDI DELESANDRI

ITEM 5. Approve paying County bills.

Accounts Payable Claims List for July 13, 2020 was submitted by Judi Delesandri, County Treasurer. See A/P Claims List attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve payment of county bills, Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	Х			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	Х			

All in agreement, motion carried.

ITEM 6. Approve bills paid since last court date June 22, 2020. See attached.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve bills paid since last court date, June 22, 2020.

Commissioner Cannon gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	Х			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	Х			

No one opposed, motion carried.

ITEM 7. Approve Treasurer's Reports.

Judi Delesandri, County Treasurer gave a Treasurer's Monthly Report for June 2020. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Cannon; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; Judge called for a vote.

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X.			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

A Quarterly Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2020 was presented by Treasurer Delesandri for approval. Commissioner Driskell moved to approve the Quarterly Report; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	Х			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	Х			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in agreement, motion carried.

ITEM 8. Approve personnel changes.

Three Sheriff Department payroll promotions were reported by Treasurer Delesandri as follows: Donald Renfrow promoted from Jailer to Sgt. Jailer on 6/29/2020, \$14.37 hourly; Jason Lawrenz promoted from Deputy to Chief Investigator replacing Larry Shiver, 6/29/2020, \$20.11 hourly; and Lynn Standley, promoted from Sgt. Jailer to Jail Administrator, 6/29/2020, \$16.68 hourly.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	Х			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	Х			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	Х			

Unanimous vote, motion carried.

AUDITOR - TONI JOYNER

ITEM 9. Auditor Report

A Budget Analysis Usage report for July 13, 2020 was provided by auditor's office.

A copy is included in these minutes for review.

ITEM 10. Budget Amendments

Auditor Toni McBee Joyner presented and Order to Amend 2019-2020 Budget as recorded in these minutes.

Commissioner Cannon moved for approval of Order to Amend 2019-2020 Budget; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ITEM 11. Designated Representative Monthly Report - Lynn Jeffries
Jeffries reported he had received 11 septic applications, a total fee of \$2,530.

ITEM 12. Tax Assessor/Collector Monthly Report – Karen Lane, Tax A/C
Tax Assessor-Collector Lane reported June 2020 Tax Office collections as attached for review in these minutes.

ITEM 13. Emergency Management Report – Shelly Butts

Emergency Management Coordinator Butts reported on Madison County COVID-19 cases and provided graphs and statistics for the five area codes in Madison County. We are in Region 7 of Texas State Health Services who report positive cases for Madison County, Butts said. There is an ongoing problem in getting accurate information, it is hard to report correct numbers. The addresses of those positive COVID cases are reported to the Sheriff's Department.

ITEM 14. County Extension Agent Monthly Report — Chadd Caperton
Leslie Lazenby, Extension Program Assistant, gave an update on the recent activities of the 4-H clubs.
State Fair of Texas is closed but they are working on a way for the kids to show their animals.

ITEM 15. Veterans Affairs - Danny Singletary

Singletary said things have been slow in his office due to the COVID, he has received one phone call and one visit requesting benefits information; and drove three Veterans for health care services to College Station, Texas.

ITEM 16. Elections Administrator-Janet Boone No report was submitted.

ITEM 17. Public Comment – Hear Comments in reference to the <u>following Agenda Items Only</u> – time limit 3 minutes, one person at a time will be called from the Public Participation Forms submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium.

Two Public Participation Forms were submitted to Clerk of Court for ITEM 18 discussion by Pastor Tony Green, Sweet Zion Missionary Baptist Church and Etta Spivey, President of the Madison County Juneteenth Organization.

ITEM 18. Discuss and consider request for funds of "Men of Tomorrow" for activities for planned program for the young men and boys of Madison County. See attached.

Judge Leago called on Pastor Tony Green to discuss the "Men of Tomorrow" program. Pastor Green explained, this program will focus on engaging each young man to be a positive figure with the community with a goal to create opportunities for the young men to excel in areas of education, self-confidence, family life and workforce. Green was joined by Etta Spivey who said they had hoped to begin this "Men of Tomorrow" program this summer but the COVID-19 pandemic cancelled those plans. They requested \$6,100 from the county's upcoming 2020-2021 budget.

ITEM 19. Discuss and consider approving final minor plat on land recorded in Volume 1404, Page 337, Number 91270 of the Madison County Records. Located in the Meredith Tongate Survey, Abstract 0215, Tract 13. Directions to property: Off FM 1452, down drive parallel to Holomon Road, known as 911 address 13949 FM 1452 W. Normangee, Texas 77871, and an additional address to be determined. See attached.

Shelly Butts, 911 Coordinator explained this is a minor plat, 3.5065 acres with road access and within the county's subdivision rules.

Commissioner Cannon moved to approve final minor plat; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	Х			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 20. Approve and accept Annual Road Report for Pct. 1, 2, 3 and 4. See attached. Commissioner Driskell moved to approve Annual Road Report; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	Х			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	Х			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 21. Discuss and consider refund in the amount of \$31,166.10 to CDM Resources Management LL pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code Sec. 31.11(2)(b). See attached.

Judge Leago called on Karen Lane, TAC who explained this refund is due CDM Resources Management from a 2018 Texas Supreme Court ruling concerning taxing compressor equipment.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve refunding \$31,166.10 to CDM Resources Management LL; Commissioner Pohorelsky seconded the motion; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	Х			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 22. Discuss and consider extending Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency for an additional thirty (30) days. See attached.

Commissioner Driskell moved to extend Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency for an additional thirty (30) days; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second to the motion; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Naý	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	Х			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	Х			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 23. Discuss and consider for approval Resolution for Equivalent-Match Projects for the Boyd Road Project with TXDOT. See attached.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve Resolution for Equivalent-Match Projects for the Boyd Road Project with TXDOT; Commissioner Cannon seconded the motion; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	Х			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X.			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All agreed, motion carried.

ITEM 24. Discuss implementation of Texas Local Government Code Sec. 114.44 Report to Commissioners Court at Regular Term by Officer who Collects Fines, Judgment, or Jury Fees. See attached.

Judge Leago referred to Texas Local Government Code Sec. 114.044 requiring elected officials who collects fines, judgment or jury fees to report to the Commissioners' Court regularly those collections. Commissioner Cannon moved to implement Texas Local Government Code Sec. 114.44 reporting to Commissioners' Court offices collections; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge called for a vote.

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			***************************************
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All agreed, motion carried.

ITEM 25. Public Comment- No Discussion or Action will be taken at this time by the Court – A three (3) minute limit per speaker. One person at a time will be called from the Public Participation submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium. Please address your comments to your Commissioner.

No participation forms were presented to the Clerk of Court.

ITEM 26. Adjourn

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

No one opposed, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned Monday, July 13, 2020 at 10:34 a.m.

I, Susanne Morris, Madison County Clerk, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for July 13, 2020.

Approved and signed this 27th day of July 2020.

Susanne Morris, County Clerk Clerk of Commissioners Court Madison County, Texas