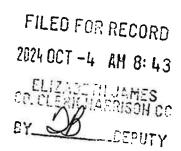


# County Judge Harrison County

#1 Peter Whetstone Square, Room 314 Marshall, Texas 75670 903-935-8401 903-935-4853 Fax Charlene Graff, Judicial Admin. Assist.



Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code requiring governmental bodies to give notice of their meetings, this is to advise that a REGULAR meeting of the Harrison County Commissioner's Court will be held at 9:00 a.m. on the 8th day of October, 2024 in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Harrison County Historic Courthouse in Marshall, Texas, at which time the Commissioners' Court will consider all matters pertaining to Harrison County business and grant authorization for the County Judge to execute any and all documents as may come before said Commissioner's Court for approval, including by way of information but not limitation, the following matters:

## **INVOCATION**

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

## **AMERICAN FLAG**

**TEXAS FLAG:** 

"Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State

Under God, One and Indivisible"

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

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Harrison County Extension Office Receives 4-H/ Youth & Development Agent – Shelia Harris, District 5 Extension Administrator presents Jennifer Dyson as the Harrison County Extension Agent 4-H/Youth & Development.

PROCLAMATION - NATIONAL 4-H WEEK WILL BE CELEBRATED OCTOBER 6-12, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

## **DECLARE A QUORUM PRESENT:**

## **CALL TO ORDER:**

## **AGENDA**

#### A. AUDITOR:

Administrative Report: No action to be taken - Submission of financial reports

- 1. Consideration and approval regarding Line Item Transfers.
- 2. Consideration and approval of payment of Regular Bills.
- 3. Consideration and approval of Payroll for September 27, 2024.

## B. ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT:

<u>Administrative Report: No action to be taken - Concerning status of construction, maintenance and repairs of county roads, bridges, and right of ways; also concerning condition of equipment.</u>

- 1. Consideration and approval of personnel changes for the Harrison County Road & Bridge Department.
- 2. Consideration and approval of the utility applications submitted to the Harrison County Road & Bridge Department as follows:

Gemini Carthage Pipeline, LLC

Strickland Springs Rd - CR 1105

CenterPoint Energy

George Ives Rd – CR 2001

3. Consideration and approval of the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD Chassis –

Quote No: 8135698

Quote No: 8135699

Quote No: 8135648

4. Consideration and approval of the four Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 -

Quote No: 8143883

Quote No: 8143882

• Quote No: 8143901

Quote No: 8143881

#### C. TREASURER:

- 1. Consideration and approval of the Harrison County Treasurer's Investment Report for the month of August 2024.
- 2. Consideration and action regarding the approval of the Treasurer's Monthly Report for August 2024 and the authorization on the county website pursuant to LGC Section 114.026.

## D. SHERIFF:

<u>Administrative Report: No action to be taken - Concerning statistics reflecting law</u> enforcement activity; execution of civil responsibilities; jail population and location of and turnover in prisoners.

1. Consideration and approval of the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 F-150 -

• Quote No: 8296090

• Quote No: 8296082

• Quote No:8296086

2. Consideration and approval of the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2024 Dodge Durangos -

• Quote No: 8301318

• Quote No: 8301466

• Quote No: 8301491

### **E. PURCHASING:**

- 1. Consideration and approval to accept agreements from RUDD Alarms for monthly monitoring of fire alarm systems at Fire Marshal and Road & Bridge buildings.
- 2. Consideration and action regarding the approval of an application to Texas Bank and Trust to obtain a credit card to be used by Darla Haynes, Purchasing Agent, for the Harrison County Purchasing Department with authorization for Sherry Rushing, Treasurer, to be added to account for administrative purposes.
- 3. Consideration and action to approve the removal of previous purchasing agents, Vickie Collier, Kendall Russell, Sadie Harkins and Bradie Guilliams from the CitiBank Credit Card for purchases by the Harrison County Purchasing Department effective October 8, 2024 and with all purchase approved before this date to remain payable by Harrison County unless said purchase is cancelled.

#### F. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Consideration and approval of the Resolution of the Assignment of private activity bond authority to Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs; and containing other provisions relating to the subject.
- 2. Consideration and approval of the Assignment Agreement between East Texas Housing Finance Corporation ("HFC") and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs ("TDHCA").
- 3. Consideration and approval of the Transfer of Lease North East Texas Soccer Association; to take responsibility of Flower Fields as well as the following accounts:

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Republic - trash/waste

SWEPCO – Electricity (SWEPCO has the soccer fields address, but BGC receives all three location under one bill.

4. Consideration and approval of the Resolution of the Commissioner's Court of Harrison County, Texas to authorize the submission of a Texas Community Development Block

Grant Program application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Community Development Fund in support of Gum Springs WSC for 2025 grant funding and acceptance of the \$15,000 matching funds from Gum Springs WSC.

- 5. Consideration and approval of the Resolution approving the financing by the New Hope Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corporation for Superior Living Foundation, Inc. regarding Skilled Nursing Health Facilities located within Harrison County, Texas to issue bonds or notes in a maximum principal amount of \$370,656,000.00.
- 6. Consideration and approval for the 2025 SAVNS Grant Contract Contract Number C-01702, with a term of September 1, 2024-August 31, 2025.
- 7. Consideration and action regarding the approval of the appointments to the Harrison County Child Welfare Board as listed:

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- 8. Consideration and action requesting review and approval to enter in to the proposed ILA with ETCOG and accepting the \$750,000.00 contract for One Communications Tower to be built in Northwest Harrison County.
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- 10. Call of Court to Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters related to Harrison County.
- 11. Consideration and action to approve any matters as discussed in execution session.

**ADJOURN** 

CHAD SIMS, COUNTY JUDGE

This is to certify that at the time and date stamped hereon, the notice of a meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto, has been filed in my office, and posted on my official bulletin board in the Courthouse, as is required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

Executed on: October 4, 2024

## COUNTY CLERK HARRISON COUNTY, TEXAS

(In accordance with Title III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, we invite all attendees to advise us of any special accommodations due to disability. Please submit your request as far as possible in advance of the program you wish to attend.)

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT HELD IN THE HISTORIC HARRISON COUNTY COURTHOUSE MARSHALL, TEXAS

## THIS THE 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2024

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that at 9:00 a.m. on the 8th of October 2024, Regular Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Historic Harrison County Courthouse in Marshall, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same. The meeting was open to the public and notices of said meeting were posted as required by law.

Invocation was led by County Judge Chad Sims

Pledge of Allegiance:

American Flag

Texas Flag: "Honor the Texas Flag; I Pledge Allegiance to Thee, Texas, One State under God, One and Indivisible"

The following were present:

Chad Sims,

County Judge

William Hatfield,

Commissioner, Precinct #1

Zephaniah Timmins,

Commissioner, Precinct #2

Phillip Mauldin,

Commissioner, Precinct #3 Not Present

Jay Ebarb,

Commissioner, Precinct #4

Liz James,

County Clerk

Becky Haynes,

**County Auditor** 

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#### PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

## DECLARE A QUORUM PRESENT:

When the following were heard and the following Orders passed:

Call to Order by the County Judge, Chad Sims, at 9:10 a.m.

**Item A:** <u>County Auditor:</u> Becky Haynes gave Administrative Report given: No action to be taken concerning submission of financial reports. Exhibit-A

Motioned by Comm. Hatfield Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-465

Item #1. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve Line Item Transfers in the amount of \$103,491.81. Exhibit A-1

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-466

Item #2. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the payment for Regular Bills in the amount of \$1,295,670.85. Exhibit A-2

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-467

Item #3. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve Payroll for September 27, 2024. Exhibit A-3

## Item B: Road and Bridge Department Luke Davis gave Administrative Report:

For the record: Final figures on construction are 15.864 miles completed by County forces and the contract work on Lansing Switch. 10.669 miles of chip sealed. For a total of 26.533 miles completed are chipped sealed this year. Contract mowers have started in the Woodlawn area, they will continue to Caddo Lake area and Waskom. Continuing on storm Debris cleanup.

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-468

**Item #1. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the personnel changes for September 18, 2024 through October 2, 2024 for the Harrison County Road & Bridge Department. Exhibit B-1

**NEW HIRES**: None

**RANGE/STEP CHANGES:** None

RESIGNATIONS: None TERMINATIONS: None RETIREMENTS: None

TRANSFER:

None

Full Time Employees (53)

49 (Includes the Road Administrator)

F/T Vacancies:

4

Part Time Employees (3)

3

Part Time Vacancy:

Temporary

(6) 0

Temp. Vacancies:

6

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-469

**Item #2. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the utility applications submitted to the Harrison County Road & Bridge Departments as follows: Exhibit B-2

Gemini Carthage Pipeline, LLC Center Point Energy Strickland Springs Rd –CR 1105 George Ives Rd –CR 2001

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-470

**Item #3. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 HD Chassis, Exhibit B-3

Quote No: 8135698Quote No: 8135699Quote No: 8135648

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-471

**Item #4. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the four Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 Chevrolet Silverado 1500. Exhibit B-4

Quote No: 8143883Quote No: 8143882Quote No: 8143901Quote No: 8143881

Item C: Treasurer:

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-472

**ITEM #1. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, to approve the Treasurer's Investment for August 2024. Exhibit C-1

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Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-473

ITEM #2. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for August 2024 and authorization to publish on the county website pursuant to LGC Section 114.026. Exhibit C-2

Item D: Sheriff's Department: Administrative Report given by Sheriff Fletcher: No action to be taken --- concerning statistics reflecting law enforcement activity, execution of civil responsibilities, jail population, also location of and turnover in prisoners. Exhibit D

DATES: 9-4-2024 TO 10-1-2024

Total Calls for Service 2414 Criminal Reports Taken 232

Criminal Investigation Assigned Cases 66

Arrest HCSO 93 (Figure includes Deputies & booking Jailers)

Traffic Citations Issued 410 Mental 3

Transport/Warrants Office 35 Transports

7657 Mileage

Civil Process: Legal Documents Received 137

72 Personal Service

17 Indictment Precepts served in Jail

21 Tax Postings

28 CCL/DC Postings

1 Harrison Central Appraisal District Tax Sales

Total Served 139

Juror Notices 815

Grand Juror Notices 0

10-1-2024 @ 9:56A.M Jail Population: 294 9-4-2024 to 10-1-2024 Contract Inmates Marion County (1) US Marshall (28) Total 29

## Harrison County Sheriff's Office Fire Marshal & OSSF Division Activity Summary

#### 9-1-2024 to 9-30-2024

01 02 Citations: Fire Inspections:

Illegal Dumping Cases 12

Litter picked up 6,300 (cubic feet)

Structure Fires 02 Complaints 09

Notice of Violations 04

Citations 01 Inspections 24

Utility Hookups- Upshur Rural Electric 19 Utility Hookups- Panola-Harrison Electric 17

Single Family Permits Fee:  $$360.00\ 21 = $7,560.00$ \$360.00 3 = \$1,680.00 Commercial: \$ 50.00 0 = \$ 560.00 Subdivision Review: \$560.00 0 = \$ 00.00 Multifamily Permit Fee: Subdivision Review: \$ 50.00 0 = \$ 00.00 Re-Inspection Fee: ½ Permit Fee 00=\$ 00.00

**Total Money Collected:** \$9,240.00

Motioned by Comm. Hatfield Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-474

Item #1. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2025 F-150. Exhibit D-1

> • Quote No: 8296090 • Quote No: 8296082 • Quote No: 8296086

Motioned by Comm. Hatfield Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

Order #2024-475

Item #2. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the three Enterprise Fleet Management Quotes for the 2024 Dodge Durango's. Exhibit D-2.

Quote No: 8301318Quote No: 8301466Quote No: 8301491

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Item E: Purchasing:

**IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve

**Item #1. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve to accept agreements from RUDD Alarms for monthly monitoring of fire alarm systems at Fire Marshal and Road & Bridge buildings. Exhibit E-1

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Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-477

**Item #2. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the application to Texas Bank and Trust to obtain a credit card to be used by Darla Haynes, Purchasing Agent, for the Harrison County Purchasing Department with authorization for Sherry Rushing, Treasurer, to be added to account for administrative purposes. Exhibit E-2

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Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-478

Item #3. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the removal of previous purchasing agents, Vickie Collier, Kendall Russell, Sadie Harkins and Bradie Guilliams from the Citibank Credit Card for purchases by the Harrison County Purchasing Department effective October 8, 2024 and with all purchase approved before this date to remain payable by Harrison County unless said purchase is cancelled. MExhibit

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#### **Item F: New Business:**

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-479

Item #1. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Resolution of the Assignment of private activity bond authority to Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs; and containing other provisions relating to the subject. Exhibit F-1

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-480

Item #2. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Assignment Agreement between East Texas Housing Finance Corporation ("HFC") and Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs ("TDJCA"). Exhibit F-2

Motioned by Comm. Hatfield Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-481

**Item #3. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Transfer of Lease – North East Texas Soccer Association; to take responsibility of Flower Fields as well as the following accounts: Exhibit F-3

For the record: Correction made in open court: This is a Transfer of Lease - from the Boys and Girls Club to the North East Texas Soccer Association (NETSA) to take responsibility of Flower Fields as well as the following accounts:

City of Marshall – Water

East Texas Septic – Sewer

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Receives all three locations under one bill.

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Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-482

Item #4. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Resolution of the Commissioner's Court of Harrison County, Texas to authorize the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Community Development Fund in support of Gum Springs WSC for 2025 grant funding and acceptance of the \$15,000 matching funds from Gum Springs WSC. Exhibit F-4

Motioned by Comm. Hatfield Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-483

Item #5. IT IS ORDERED by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Resolution approving the financing by the New Hope Cultural Education Facilities Finance Corporation for Superior Living Foundation, Inc regarding Skilled Nursing Health Facilities located with Harrison County, Texas to issue bonds or notes in a maximum principal amount of \$370,656,000.00. Exhibit F-5

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-484

**Item #6. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the 2025 SAVNS Grant Contract – Contract Number C-01702, with a term of September 1, 2024- August 31, 2025. Exhibit F-6

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-485 **Item #7a. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the appointments to the Harrison County Child Welfare Board as listed. Exhibit F-7a

One (1) Year Term
Charlie Oliver
Robert Johnson
LaDarius Carter
Ruthie Smith
Madison Hood
Pearlie Perkins
Denver Thomas
Angelia Mason
Chanda Johnson

For the record: # (7) on the agenda was changed in open court to (7a) to correct error on agenda.

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Timmins All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-486

**Item #7b. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the monthly recurring charge for Two (2) Fiber Optic Communications lines for the Harrison County Radio Upgrade Project. Exhibit F-7b

For the record: # (7) on the agenda was changed in open court to (7b) to correct error on agenda.

Motioned by Comm. Ebarb Seconded by Comm. Hatfield All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-487

**Item #8. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve to enter into the proposed ILA with ETCOG and accepting the \$750,000.00 contract for One Communications Tower to be built in Northwest Harrison County. Exhibit F-8

Motioned by Comm. Timmins Seconded by Comm. Ebarb All members voting in favor Motion carried unanimously (4-0) Order #2024-488 **Item #9. IT IS ORDERED** by the Commissioners' Court of Harrison County, Texas to approve the Resolution and Order in support of the Establishment of a Civil Court Alternative Dispute Resolution system process and Presentation by J.D. McMullen pursuant to Tex.Civ.Prac. & Rem, Code Section 135.151 & CH. 152. Exhibit F-9

Item #10. Call of Court to Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters related to Harrison County.

For the record: Court did not call Executive Session.

Item #11. Consideration and action to approve any matters as discussed in executive session.

For the record: No action taken. Court did not call executive session.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no further business to come before the Court for consideration and action, the motion was made by Commissioner Hatfield and seconded by Commissioner Ebarb to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

ATTEST

Elizabeth James, County Clerk

Harrison County, Texas

Date: 10/16/2024