

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY JANUARY 31, 2024**

The Commissioners' Court of Van Zandt County met at the above-named date and time in the County Courtroom in the Van Zandt County Courthouse in Canton, Texas. Members present were County Judge Andy Reese, Commissioner Pct. #1 Chad LaPrade, Commissioner Pct. #2 Virgil Melton Jr. and Commissioner Pct #4 Brandon Barton. Notice was given by posting in compliance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code on all the following before the Court for consideration:

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM. 9:01 A.M. All members were present except for Commissioner Pct. #3 Keith Pearson.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. Judge Andy Reese recognized Christie Taylor for 10 years of service; Town hall meetings; update on election. Unofficial numbers are 5,276 total votes, Jill Dutton 2,812, Brent Money 2,464.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent agenda items are considered routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion.

There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the County Judge, or a Commissioners requests an item be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.

- a.) **Discuss and consider dispensing with the reading of the Minutes of the meeting(s) of the Commissioners Court and approval of same for January 17, 2024.**
- b.) **Discuss and consider approval of County's bills for payment as submitted**
- c.) **Discuss and consider ratifying of County's bills as submitted**
- d.) **Discuss and consider approval of FY2024 Line-Item Transfers.**
- e.) **Discuss and consider Monthly Reports submitted by various Offices and Departments of County Government and approval entry of same in the Court's Minutes as a matter of record.**
- f.) **Discuss and consider acceptance of December 2023 Financial & Investment Report of County Treasurer to be entered into the Minutes of Commissioners Court.**
- g.) **Discuss and consider approval of Proposed Installation of Pipe and/or Utility Lines**

-VZCR 1410, 1412
-VZCR 4305, 4304, 4315, 4303, 4301, 4211, 4212, 4215, 4210, 4213, 4302
-VZCR 4930

Item a) Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. stated that minutes should be corrected to include Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. to be authorized to sign the State Application with Cedar Creek Site 101 Located on VZ CR 3809. Motion to approve correction by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

Motion to approve items b-g Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MEETING LOCATION FOR VAN ZANDT HISTORICAL COMMISSION

The Court appointed a committee to discuss accommodations for the Historical Commission, including meeting locations and archive storage. The Committee includes Commissioner Chad LaPrade, Commissioner Brandon Barton and County Clerk Susan Strickland. No motion. Item was tabled.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND APPROVE (2) 3 MONTH LEASE AGREEMENTS AND PAYMENT CONCERNING BELLY DUMP TRAILERS FROM BRAZOS TRAILERS FOR PRECINCT 3.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REPLAT OF LOT 44R & 47R IN SUNSET ACRES ON VZCR 2436 LOCATED IN PRECINCT 2

Motion to approve for filing purposes only by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PJP SUBDIVISION ON VZCR 2319 LOCATED IN PRECINCT 2.

Motion to approve for filing purposes only by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TEXAS LIVIN' RV PARK ON HIGHWAY 64 CANTON, TEXAS LOCATED IN PRECINCT 1

Motion to approve for filing purposes only by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CYBERSECURITY COURSE ENROLLMENT FORM FOR ANNUAL CYBERSECURITY TRAINING

Cost is \$5 per user. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE LEASE CONTRACT WITH TILLMAN INFRASTRUCTURE LLC FOR THE P25 RADIO SYSTEM

\$900 a month and 2% increase each year. Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TAC-CIRA

Motion to approve by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENE BATES AUCTIONEERS CONTRACT ON UPCOMING AUCTION AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CONTRACT

Allow Auctioneer to collect commission from bidder instead of county. Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SELLING SURPLUS COUNTY PROPERTY USING RENE BATES AUCTIONEERS.

Items to be removed from list are Utility cart, (6) mountable wood chairs, 8 plastic 8 ft. folding tables and 1 tall plastic storage cabinet. Motion to approve by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT

9:30am. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. All in favor.

**SPECIAL SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2024**

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CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUCE QUORUM. 9:04am. All were present except Pct.#3 Commissioner Keith Pearson.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. None.


PUBLIC COMMENTS. Mrs. Ann Nelson spoke on agenda item #4.

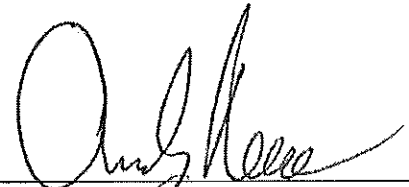
DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND CANVASS THE JANUARY 30, 2024, SPECIAL RUN OFF ELECTION FOR THE TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 2. Shannon Maddox spoke. There were 5,294 total voters. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. All in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING DA'S OFFICE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN FORFEITURE ACCOUNT. \$29,372.02. Motion to approve budget amendment by Commissioner Chad Laprade and seconded by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr. All in favor.

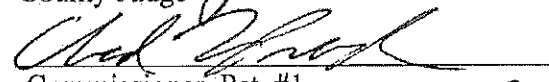
ADJOURNMENT
9:14am. Motion to approve by Commissioner Virgil Melton Jr and second by Commissioner Brandon Brown. All in favor.

Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

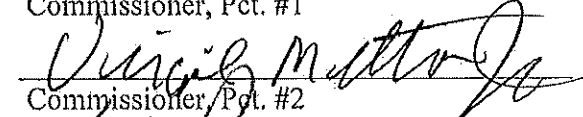
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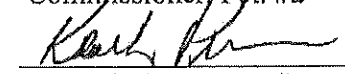
County Judge



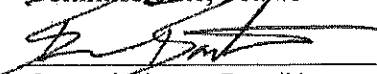
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Commissioner, Pct. #2



Commissioner, Pct. #3



Commissioner, Pct. #4