

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 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 Cliff Williams, Commissioner Pct. #3 Keith Pearson 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 the members were present.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. None

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). Mr. Bob Reese spoke about #11

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 COMMISSIONER REQUESTS AN ITEM BE REMOVED FROM THE CONTENT 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 SEPTEMBER 11, 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 AUGUST 2024 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**
 - 280 VZCR 3837 Btw PR 7836 & 7837
- h.) **RATIFY COUNTY JUDGE SIGNING DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION RESOLUTION FOR CONSTITUTION WEEK.**

Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROCLAIMING THE WEEK STARTING OCTOBER 7, 2024 AS NATIONAL 4-H WEEK.
Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS. Ms. Emily Manning spoke. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER VAN ZANDT COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD APPOINTMENT OF ANGELA CADE HILL. Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE REGARDING CANTON VESSELS PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 2318 & VZCR 2323 IN PRECINCT 2. Motion to Table by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ONCOR SETTING POLES IN VAN ZANDT COUNTY ROAD EASEMENT ON VZCR 3104. This is from FM 859 to VZ CR 3110; north side; County will not be responsible or charged if poles need to be moved in the future. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO REQUEST A SIX MONTH EXTENSION TO DEADLINE FOR DISASTER RECOVERY. Extend to May 2025. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND AUTHORITY TO TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. Motion to Table by County Judge Andy Reese and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN FY25 SAVNS GRANT CONTRACT. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING ELECTION SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN VAN ZANDT COUNTY AND MARTINS MILL ISD FOR ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS CONSIDER AND APPROVE MILESTONE PAYMENTS #732234A, #734400A1, #734740A, #732236A, #734579A, #533917D TO SABRE. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDER SETTING TERM OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR 2024-2025. We will be keeping the same schedule every other Wednesday starting October 9, 2024. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SEC. 130.908 LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE APPROVAL OF SPENDING BY CERTAIN COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. 25% max expenditure allowable per line item. Exception would be for line item 023-623-571 Pct. 3 (Equipment Purchases) FEMA related costs for Pct. 1. 021-621-335. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY SHERIFF AND CONSTABLE FEE SCHEDULE FOR FY2025. No changes. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL OFFICE FEE SCHEDULE FOR FY2025. Motion to approve new and added fees by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTION OF HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOND FOR NICOLE NIX, ASSISTANT AUDITOR, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE TITLE IV-E COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE PERIOD OF 10/01/2024 – 09/30/2025. This is for defense lawyers and CPS services. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ANDREWS CENTER FOR OCTOBER 1, 2024 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2025. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH PEOPLES FOR INTERNET SERVICE FOR L3 HARRIS AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. \$250.00 per month. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE SALE OF 2011 PETERBUILT TRUCK VIN# 1XPHDU9X7BD117552 VZ ID# 09335 AND 1996 PETERBUILT TRUCK VIN# 1XPDR8XXTN385029 VZ ID# 09516 FROM ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT 1 TO ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT 3. This is for a total of \$30,000.00 for both items. Motion to approve by Commissioner Chad LaPrade and seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER EQUIPMENT OWNED BY ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT 1 AND ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT 3. Pct. 1 to own 100% of the Culvert Cleanout Machine and PCT. Pct. 3 to own 100% of Lay down machine. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Chad LaPrade. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATION FROM RAYMOND WATTS SR. FOR \$1000.00 FOR THE WORK ON VZCR 3412 LOCATED IN PCT. 3. Motion to approve by Commissioner Keith Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

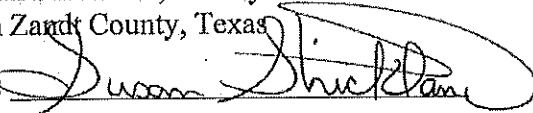
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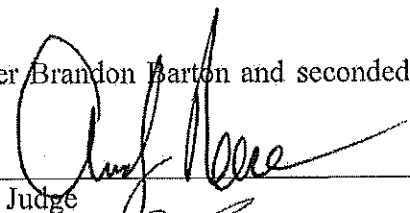
- (1) TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; OR
- (2) TO HEAR A COMPLAINT OR CHARGE AGAINST AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE


10:49 A.M.
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. No action.

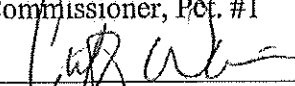
ADJOURNMENT. 10:51 Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Brandon Barton and seconded by Commissioner Keith Pearson. All voted in favor.

Susan Strickland, County Clerk
Van Zandt County, Texas

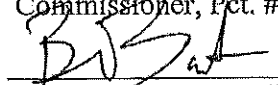
BY: 



County Judge


Commissioner, Pct. #1


Commissioner, Pct. #2
ABSENT

Commissioner, Pct. #3


Commissioner, Pct. #4