

**MINUTES OF THE JOINT MEETING DEWITT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
AND DEWITT COUNTY ENERGY TRANSPORTATION REINVESTMENT ZONE (CETRZ)  
ADVISORY BOARDS, NO. 1, NO. 2 AND NO. 3**

**JOINT MEETING MARCH 8, 2017**

DeWitt County Commissioners Court and DeWitt County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ) No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 met in a joint meeting on March 8, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

Commissioner Curtis Afflerbach, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner James B. Pilchiek, Sr., Precinct No. 2  
Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3  
Warren Seidel, local board member, CETRZ Advisory Board Member No. 1  
Rudy Martinez, local board member, CETRZ Advisory Board Member No. 2  
Ted Dlugosch, local board member, CETRZ Advisory Board Member No. 3  
Ward Belanger, CETRZ Advisory Board Member, representing Pioneer Natural Resources on  
CETRZ Nos. 1, 2, and 3  
Randy Black and Glynis Strauss, CETRZ Advisory Board Members, representing Conoco Phillips on  
CETRZ Nos. 1, 2, and 3

**CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION**

Mr. Afflerbach called the meeting to order, led everyone in the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

**INDUSTRY PROJECT DISCUSSION (No. 1)**

Conoco Phillips – 5 rig program in 2017; drill approximately 126 wells in 2017; 94 on line in 2017; predominately in the NW section of DeWitt County and Karnes County in Phase I acreage

Pioneer Natural Resources – 1 new rig next week on FM 119 and 109 (Koopmann Rd.); 11 new wells in 2017; complete about 20 wells in 2017 (6-8 in DeWitt County, 6-8 in Karnes County and 7 in Live Oak County)

**DeWITT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (No. 2)**

Precinct No. 1 – Kubala Store Road is having a lot of activity; BHP Billiton has a pad location just outside of Westhoff near the Westhoff school; currently working on paving Schlinke, McCurdy and Smith Ranch Roads; discussed the placement of stop ahead signs on roads mentioned in the Conoco Phillips study previous provided

Precinct No. 2 – started on Emil Blank Road; BHP Billiton rig is in; concrete stabilization project on 951 all the way to US Hwy183

Precinct No. 3 – main industry activity is in within this precinct in the NW section of the county; Noe Hinojosa Road, Scheffler Road and Gohlke School Road

### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (No. 3)**

Paperwork was distributed on the Briscoe Ranch, et al vs. Dimmit County, et al lawsuit; discussed industry concerns about CETRZ; county will be receiving the royalties from under the roads in September 2017.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Warren Seidel asked what the status is on the straightening out of FM 240. TxDOT is waiting on the county at the present time. Mr. Afflerbach advised that the last time he spoke with TxDOT it sounded promising.

### **ADJOURN (No. 4)**

MOTION: Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 3-0.

## **MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 13, 2017**

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in regular session March 13, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler  
Commissioner Curtis Afflerbach, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner James B. Pilchiek Sr., Precinct No. 2  
Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3  
Commissioner Richard Randle, Precinct No. 4

### **CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INOVOCATION**

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Randle gave the invocation.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **PUBLIC HEARING (No. 1)**

Public hearing held to provide opportunity for public comments on a proposal to establish a 35-mph speed limit on Herder Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 2. No one was present to speak for or against.

### **CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING (No. 2)**

Judge Fowler closed the public hearing.

### **RULE ON PUBLIC HEARING (No. 3)**

MOTION: Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to establish a 35-mph speed limit on the entire road of Herder Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 2 effective when the signs are put up. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS/MEMORANDUM OF DONATION (No. 19)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to receive letter from the county auditor certifying the receipt of \$1,100.00 from Law Enforcement Magnets for the Sheriff's Office to be designated for programs including Project Lifesaver and Red Ribbon and approve a Memorandum of Donation. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS/MEMORANDUM OF DONATION (No. 20)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to receive letter from the county auditor certifying the receipt of \$125.00 from William Natho for the Sheriff's Office to be designated for community outreach programs including Project Lifesaver and Red Ribbon and approve a Memorandum of Donation. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **JUVENILE PROBATION BUDGET CUT (No. 5)**

Court receive information regarding a State of Texas budget cut in Juvenile Probation Department funding. No action taken

### **RECID VOTE ON CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (No. 6)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to rescind the contract for professional juvenile counseling services between DeWitt County Juvenile Probation Department and Liberty Resources Family Services, Inc. and the grant application previously authorized on February 13, 2017. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (No 7)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the revised contract in the amount of \$9,942.00 for professional juvenile counseling services between DeWitt County Juvenile Probation Department and Liberty Resources Family Services, Inc.; consider a grant application for the implementation of the tele-counseling services offered through Liberty Resources. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0. [Court Order #2017-019]

### **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION (No. 8)**

No executive/closed session held.

### **DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION (No. 9)**

MOTION: Judge Fowler made a motion to ratify the judge's action to extend the closing of the Union Pacific Railroad right of way until April 28, 2017. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CREATION OF 15TH COURT OF APPEALS (No. 12)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adopt a resolution in support of the creation of a Fifteenth Court of Appeals District; a realignment of the Thirteenth Court of Appeals District; and Amendment of Section 22.0201 of the Government Code in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Government Code, Order Number 2017-016. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **MUNICIPAL SITE PLAN (No. 23)**

Court received information regarding the AirMedCare Network Municipal Site Plan. No action taken

## **ELECTION EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES CONTRACTS (No. 10)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the service fees and election equipment rental contracts used by the elections administrator for elections held after October 1, 2017 at a 5% increase per unit per day. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING DATE (No. 11)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to schedule a public hearing date of April 10, 2017 in the DeWitt County Courtroom at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of considering placement of a Yield sign at the intersection of Meyer Road and Dubose Ranch Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 1. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **DE WITT COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT (No. 13)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive the audited DeWitt County Appraisal District Financial Statements dated December 31, 2016. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION (No. 14)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to receive certificate from Carol Ann Martin, County Treasurer for successful completion of continuing education approved by the County Treasurers' Association of Texas and required by Section 83.003 of the Texas Local Government Code. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION (No. 15)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to receive certificate from Carol Ann Martin, County Treasurer for successful completion of investment training fully satisfying the education requirements for County Treasurers established by the Public Funds Investment Act, Government Code § 2256.008. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **COURT ORDER DESIGNATING DEPOSITORY BANK (No. 16)**

**MOTION:** Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adopt Commissioners Court Order Number 2017-015 designating First National Bank of Shiner/Cuero National Bank Branch as depository bank for county funds for the next two years from May 15, 2017 through May 15, 2019 pursuant to Local Government Code § 116.025. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **PRO-RATA TOBACCO SETTLEMENT DISTRIBUTION (No. 17)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive the County Expenditure Statement – 2017 from the county auditor and authorize the county judge to submit the expenditure statement to the Texas Department of State Health Services. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS/MEMORANDUM OF DONATION (No. 18)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to receive letter from the county auditor certifying the receipt of \$1,250.00 from ConocoPhillips Company for the General Fund designated for HAZMAT training to be provided by the EMC and approve a Memorandum of Donation. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **AWARD OF BID AND CONTRACT APPROVAL (No. 19)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive bids for seal coating of roads and award a contract to H & C Construction Co., Inc. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **AWARD OF BID AND CONTRACT APPROVAL (No. 22)**

MOTION: Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to reject all bids for motor fuels and authorize county auditor to advertise for bids for motor fuels. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **TEMPORARY RIGHT OF WAY REQUEST AND AGREEMENT (No. 24)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve temporary right of way request and agreement permit applications from Burlington Resources Oil & Gas, L.P. for installation of water lines along Seidel Road, Schulle Road, and Dubose Ranch Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 1, and on Rogge Seifert Road and Simpson Ranch Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (No. 25)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve accounts payable. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS (No. 26)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve budget amendments. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **MONTHLY REPORT OF OFFICIALS (No. 27)**

County Auditor Carrie Rea reported that her office had received monthly reports from all officials.

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to approve monthly official's monthly reports.

## **COUNTY TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT (No. 28)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and approve Order Approving Treasurer's Monthly Report. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CELL PHONE ALLOWANCES (No. 4)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve amendment to the DeWitt County Salary Order #2017-017 for the cell phone allowance for Jailer Jerome Dreyer and Randall Mormon. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **MINUTES (No. 30)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve minutes of the previous term of court. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **PERSONNEL CHANGES (No. 29)**

Jerome Dreyer, Jailer, Sheriff Office; cell phone allowance of \$16.16/bi-weekly effective March 1, 2017  
Randall Mormon, Jailer, Sheriff Office; cell phone allowance of \$16.16/bi-weekly effective March 1, 2017  
Michael R. Gonzales, Equipment Operator, Precinct 4; hired effective March 13, 2017; Category 17 Step 1; rate of pay to be \$1,377.68/bi-weekly \$17.22/hour; cell phone \$16.16/bi-weekly; next possible step increase March 13, 2018

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve personnel changes. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **BONDS AND/OR DEPUTATIONS (No. 31)**

Bond of Bonnie Kaiser – Admin Asst./Clerk for Juvenile Probation Department

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve bonds. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 4-0 with Mr. Kaiser abstaining.

## **COURTHOUSE/ANNEX EXPENDITURES/MAINTENANCE/IMPROVEMENTS (No. 32)**

Judge Fowler reported that he had a meeting with Komatsu concerning the flooding issues; down spouts; slope of ground and possibility installing French drains.

Carrie Rea advised the court that the roof at the jail was leaking.

Mr. Randle asked what the status was of the fiber optic and wi-fi project. Judge Fowler reported that the county was waiting to hear back from the City of Cuero.

## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (No. 33)**

Court discussed SB 1747 and SB 2.

## **DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS (No. 34)**

Mr. Afflerbach reported that each precinct would be furnishing one employee to assist the District Clerk with moving files into storage.

Mr. Kaiser requested information from other commissioners as to who they have hired to install guardrails; he is needed to replace the guardrail on the VFW Road which was destroyed in an accident

County Auditor Carrie Rea reported that her office has not been receiving tickets from vendors for road materials purchased by the precincts; future invoices will not be paid until tickets are turned in

Mr. Randle reported that the low water bridge project is being completed this week; Hopkinsville Road is being seal coated; hot mix on the intersections

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADJOURN (No. 35)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 27, 2017**

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in regular session March 27, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler  
Commissioner Curtis Afflerbach, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner James B. Pilchiek Sr., Precinct No. 2  
Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3  
Commissioner Richard Randle, Precinct No. 4

#### **CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INOVOCATION**

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Afflerbach gave the invocation.

#### **CHILD WELFARE BOARD 2017-2018 BUDGET (No. 2)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget of the Child Welfare Board. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CHILD WELFARE BOARD MEMBERSHIP (No. 3)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to accept the resignation of Blanca McBride of the DeWitt County Child Welfare Board. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to accept additional new member Mellissa Holcombe to the DeWitt County Welfare Board filling the vacancy of Blanca McBride. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CHILD WELFARE BOARD INVITATION (No. 4)**

Court received information about the 2nd annual Blue Out Day tentatively set for April 6, 2017. No action taken.

### **GENERAL ELECTION AGREEMENT (No. 9)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to ratify the contract for rental of election equipment and elections services for the May General Election between the DeWitt County and Yorktown ISD. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **VOTE CENTERS (No. 10)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to give the elections administrator permission to pursue establishing countywide voting at existing polling places authorized by Election Code § 43.007 (4)(d)(4) for consideration of November General Election of 2017. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **STATE OF TEXAS COMMUNICATIONS, LLC (No. 7)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive preliminary report regarding the previously approved AT&T telephone bill auditing assessment. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY GRANT (No. 8)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive information from Terri Rogers, DeWitt County chief juvenile probation officer regarding a \$150.00 grant awarded to DeWitt County by Texas Juvenile Justice Department (TJJD). Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **CONTRACT FOR HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES (No. 6)**

MOTION: Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to approve the Onsite Services Agreement between Catapult Health, LLC and County of DeWitt for periodic on-site employee preventive care screening effective March 24, 2017. Mr. Randle seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

### **AWARD OF BID AND CONTRACT APPROVAL (No. 15)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to award bid for motor fuels to Rudolph's Inc. and enter into a contract with them, Contract Number #2017-020. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION (No. 16)**

Court did not go into executive/closed session.

## **DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION (No. 17)**

MOTION: Judge Fowler made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the title commitment from Stewart Title and authorize county judge to forward to attorney in Austin and pay the bill for the service. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS/MEMORANDUM OF DONATION (No. 13)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to receive letter from the county auditor certifying the receipt of a \$1,600.00 donation from Sabine Oil & Gas for emergency fire calls responded to by "DeWitt County Emergency Management Team" and accept a Memorandum of Donation for said funds. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT NOTIFICATION AND RESPONSE (No. 1)**

Emergency Management Coordinator and Sheriff Carl Bowen spoke to the court concerning emergency management role in responding to emergencies action. No action taken.

## **PAYROLL DEDUCTION AGREEMENT (No. 5)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the Employer's Agreement for a payroll deduction plan for National Farm Life Insurance. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 4-0 with Judge Fowler abstaining.

## **TDCJ PROJECT AGREEMENT FORM (No. 11)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve the Project Agreement Form between Texas Department of Criminal Justice and DeWitt County for prison labor at the DeWitt County Historical Museum with effective dates of May 1, 2017 through October 31, 2017. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **SALE OF SURPLUS COUNTY REAL ESTATE (No. 12)**

MOTION: Mr. Randle made a motion to appoint Commissioner Precinct No. 1 Curtis Afflerbach to conduct a sale of surplus county real estate. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **PROPERTY INSURANCE RENEWAL APPLICATION (No. 14)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the renewal application for property insurance. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP (No. 18)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to receive 2016 Certificate of Membership in the County Investment Academy for Hon. Daryl Fowler. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION (No. 19)**

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to receive certificate from Texas State University, Texas Justice Court Training Center for 20 hours of peace justice training for Justice Peggy Mayer. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **MAINTENANCE AND SUPPLIES CONTRACT (No. 20)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the Maintenance and Supplies Contract between DeWitt County and DeWitt Poth & Son for copiers in the County Attorney and County Extension offices. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **PIPELINE CROSSING PERMT (No. 21)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve pipeline crossing permit application with Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company, LP to cross Frank Kozielski Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **TEMPORARY RIGHT OF WAY REQUEST AND AGREEMENT (No. 22)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve temporary right of way request and agreement with Burlington Resources Oil & Gas, L.P. for installation of water lines along Gruenau Road, A. Metting Road, Jaeger Road and Salt Creek Cemetery Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **TEMPORARY RIGHT OF WAY REQUEST AND AGREEMENT (No. 23)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve temporary right of way request and agreement with Select Energy Services for installation of a water line along Gohlke School Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (No. 24)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve accounts payable. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## **BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUESTS (No. 25)**

None

## **PERSONNEL CHANGES (No. 26)**

Emily M. Hayes, Call-Taker Dispatcher, Sheriff Office; resignation effective March 10, 2017; 2 months of employment; no vacation or comp time to payout

Ramon Alvarez, Equipment Operator, Precinct No. 3; resignation effective March 21, 2017; 3 years 7 months of employment; comp and vacation time will be paid out on last check

Ricky Nunez, Equipment Operator, Precinct No. 2; step increase effective April 4, 2017; Category 17 Step 5; 7 years of employment; rate of pay \$1,554.08/bi-weekly \$19.43/hour; next possible step increase April 4, 2020; comp time will be paid out at time of step

Arlen Parma, Equipment Operator, Precinct No. 3; step increase effective April 11, 2017; Category 17 Step 2; 1 year of employment; rate of pay \$1,421.78/bi-weekly \$17.77/hour; next possible step increase April 11, 2018; comp time will be paid out at time of step

Dee Ann Watts, Clerk, Tax Assessor; step increase effective April 11, 2017; Category 1 Step 2; 1 year of employment; rate of pay \$1,190.70/bi-weekly \$14.88/hour; next possible step increase April 11, 2018; comp time will be paid out at time of step

Ruben Rodriguez, Equipment Operator, Precinct No. 4; step increase effective April 13, 2017; Category 17 Step 3; 2 years of employment; rate of pay \$1,465.88/bi-weekly \$18.32/hour; next possible step increase April 13, 2020; comp time will be paid out at time of step

MOTION: Mr. Afflerbach made a motion to approve personnel changes. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### **BONDS AND/OR DEPUTATIONS (No. 27)**

None

#### **COURTHOUSE/ANNEX EXPENDITURES/MAINTENANCE/IMPROVEMENTS (No.28)**

Excavation work may begin on the drains to see if what degree the piping is.

#### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (No. 29)**

SB2 – voted out of committee; passed full Senate; on way to House

SB1305 – Judge testified last Wednesday; voted out of committee; waiting on vote in full Senate

#### **DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS (No. 30)**

Commissioner Randle reported that Hopkinsville Road has been completed.

Commissioners discussed routine precinct operations.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADJOURN (No. 31)**

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

**MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS  
SPECIAL MEETING – MARCH 29, 2017**

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in special session March 29, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler  
Commissioner Curtis Afflerbach, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3

**CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & INVOCATION**

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Afflerbach gave the invocation.

**TCEQ GRANT AWARD AND CONTRACT (No. 1)**

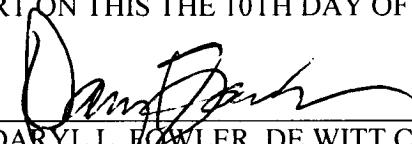
MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive notice of 2016 TCEQ Grant award for the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Grant in the amount of \$92,650.7 and authorize county judge to execute the LEPC Grant Program Contract (#582-17-71524) and for use of budget amendments for unforeseen revenue and expenditures. Mr. Afflerbach seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 3-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURN (No. 2)**

THE FOREGOING MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH A.D. 2017 WERE READ AND APPROVED IN REGULAR SESSION OF COURT ON THIS THE 10TH DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 2017.

  
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DARCYL L. FOWLER, DE WITT COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

  
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NATALIE CARSON, DE WITT COUNTY CLERK