

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF LEON**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT  
OF LEON COUNTY, TEXAS**

On this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024, the Commissioners Court of Leon County, Texas, met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 9:30 a.m. with the following members present:

Byron Ryder – County Judge - ABSENT  
Joey Sullivan – Commissioner Pct. No. 1  
Paul Bing – Commissioner Pct. No. 2  
Kyle Workman– Commissioner Pct. No. 3  
T. J. Foley – Commissioner Pct. No. 4

Together with Deputy Clerk Amy Kaiser, sitting for County Clerk Christie Wakefield, serving as an ex-officio member of the Commissioners Court, County Treasurer Brandi Hill, County Auditor Melissa Abney, County Attorney Keith Cook, Tax Assessor Collector Victoria Willis and Sheriff Kevin Ellis.

**1. OPEN MEETING WITH PRAYER AND PLEDGES.**

Dwayne Woodard with The Way Church in Buffalo opened the meeting with prayer; pledges to the American and Texas flag were rendered.

**2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CLAIMS DUE.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the claims due.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

Commissioner Foley made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the minutes from the previous sessions.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**4. REVIEW AND APPROVE PAYROLL TO BE ISSUED.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the December 13, 2024, payroll.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.**

None submitted.

**6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FIRST AMENDMENT  
TO THE TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CG LEON COUNTY LLC.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the first amendment.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FIRST AMENDMENT  
TO THE TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CG LEON COUNTY II LLC.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the first amendment.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTORS BUDGET.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve an additional \$9826 to the Tax Assessor Collector's budget from Contingency.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTING LORI MCGUIRE TO THE ESD #2 BOARD TO REPLACE CLAREN KOTRLA.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the appointment effective January 2025.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTING THREE OF THE FOLLOWING TO ESD #3 BOARD: SCOTT FURCHES, STELLA NOEY, CORBY WATSON, SHAWN NOEY, BILLY EVANS, RYAN O'NEAL.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the following appointments: Scott Furches (Normangee Fire), Corby Watson (Jewett Fire) and Shawn Noey (Marquez Fire).

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RE-APPOINTING GARY MORROW AND APPOINTING TERRY JOHNSON TO THE ESD #4 BOARD.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the re-appointment of Gary Morrow, but hold the appointment of Mr. Johnson until his residency could be verified.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ESD #2 FY 23/24 ANNUAL REPORT.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the annual report and audit.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON POST APPROVAL OF SERVEPRO  
OF BRAZOS VALLEY CLEANING OF JP 1/BUFFALO.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to post-approve \$4,825.72 plus any additional funds for asbestos abatement.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**14. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR CR  
212 AND CR 213 IN PCT. 2 (MITSUI E&P)**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the road use agreement for 12 months.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**15. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR CR  
223 IN PCT. 2 (MITSUI E&P).**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foely to approve the road use agreement for 12 months.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**16. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR CR  
334 IN PCT. 3 (MITSUI E&P).**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the road use agreement for 6 months.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**17. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON TOWER AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
LEON COUNTY AND LEON ISD.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the tower agreement.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**18. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LEON COUNTY AND MULTIPLE CITIES WITHIN LEON COUNTY.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to table this agenda item.

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

**19. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LEON COUNTY RETIREE INSURANCE POLICY.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the policy with the following stipulations: 1) Contingent on final costs; 2) Employees must complete a minimum of 24 years of full-time service; 3) Policy is available to employees only, no family or spouse; 4) Available to all full time employees employed by Leon County as of 12/31/2024 forward; 5) Pays 50 percent of employee's retiree health insurance (if not eligible for Medicare), but employee must pay their half of the retiree health insurance in advance first; 6) Employees participating in this offering who reach Medicare eligibility will be automatically moved from the retiree health insurance to Leon County paying 100 percent of their Medicare Supplement C.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**20. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE FY 25  
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS FOR LEON COUNTY.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the contracts.

Voter Breakdown:

Yes: Sullivan, Bing, Workman

Abstain: Foley

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**21. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE LEON COUNTY SPONSORSHIP/CONTRIBUTOR AGREEMENT FORM.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the form.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**22. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MOVING \$1500 FROM  
CONTINGENCY TO COUNTY COURT FOR OVERTIME.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the \$1500 from contingency.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**23. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE INTERNAL AUDIT OF THE  
LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INMATE COMMISSARY FUNDS.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the audit.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**24. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE INTERNAL ESD AUDIT.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to require all Leon County ESDs to submit all required reports and paperwork to Commissioners Court by the first court date each April, continuing in perpetuity.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**25. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS AND  
TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve \$836,348.32 in budget amendments.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**26. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY  
REPORTS (COUNTY AUDITOR) PER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE,  
SECTION 114.044.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the following reports:

County Clerk: November 2024

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**27. DISCUSS AND- POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT AND AUTHORIZE AFFIDAVIT OF SAME, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 114.026.**

None submitted.

**28. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DONATION(S) AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT(S).**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the following donations and reimbursements:

Senior nutrition: \$500 Limestone Project Employee Fund

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DONATING A 2015 TAHOE TO THE LEONA FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the donation.

VOTER BREAKDOWN:

Yes: Sullivan, Bing, Workman

Abstain: Foley

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**29. PURCHASE AND/OR SELLING REQUESTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

**A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SHERIFF'S OFFICE RETIRED VEHICLES, SEIZED VEHICLES AND SENIOR NUTRITION VEHICLES TO BE SOLD AT AUCTION.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to allow all Leon County fire departments to review the list to determine if each would like any of the vehicles. All vehicles left over will be placed on SWICO.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON GOING OUT FOR BIDS FOR ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION IN THE STALL BARN AND EQUIPMENT BUILDING AT THE EXPO CENTER.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to have the Auditors office go out for bids, but to have the price breakdown for each building.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PCT. 4 SELLING AND/OR ACCEPTING BIDS ON 2017 USED MAINTAINER.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to allow the other precincts the opportunity to buy this equipment, and if no interest, to sell via local ads and SWICO, with a minimum bid of \$150,000.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**30. CLOSE REGULAR SESSION AND OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY) AND 551.074 (PERSONNEL).**

No executive session was held.

**31. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**32. DISCUSS ANY COUNTY ISSUES WITH COUNTY ATTORNEY.**

**33. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**34. RESUME REGULAR SESSION.**

No executive session was held.

**35. DISCUSS EXECUTIVE SESSION ISSUE(S) AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

**36. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2.**

None submitted.

**37. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.**

None submitted.

**38. ADJOURN.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to adjourn.

**MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.**

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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**Byron Ryder, County Judge**

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**Joey Sullivan, Commissioner Pct. No. 1**

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**Paul Bing, Commissioner Pct. No. 2**

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**Kyle Workman, Commissioner Pct. No. 3**

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**T.J. Foley, Commissioner Pct. No. 4**

**ATTEST:**

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**Christie Wakefield, Leon County Clerk**