

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF LEON**

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

On this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of January, 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  
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 County Clerk Christie Wakefield, serving as an ex-officio member of the Commissioners Court, County Auditor Melissa Abney, County Treasurer Brandi Hill, and Sheriff Kevin Ellis.

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

Dwaine Woodard from the Miracle Christian Center, 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 Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing, to approve the claims due.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

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

Commissioner Sullivan made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the minutes from the previous sessions.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the Jan. 12, 2024, payroll.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.**

None submitted.

**6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A PREDATOR HUNTING EVENT  
TO BE ABLE TO CHECK IN THEIR ANIMALS AT THE OLD TUMA PROPERTY ON  
HWY 7 EAST ON SUNDAY, FEB. 12, 2024, AT 12 P.M.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the use of the property on the corrected date of Feb. 11, 2024, at 11 a.m.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A ROAD USE AGREEMENT FOR  
CR 228 IN PCT. 2 (ENERGY TRANSFER).**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the 120-day agreement.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENTS AND/OR PIPELINE AGREEMENTS (SPECTRUM) FOR CR 236 FOR A PERIOD OF 120 DAYS.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the 120-day agreements.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ROAD USE AGREEMENTS AND/OR PIPELINE AGREEMENTS (SPECTRUM) FOR CR 224 FOR A PERIOD OF 120 DAYS.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the 120-day notice.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ADDING AP AUTOMATION TO  
THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE AND/OR TREASURER'S OFFICE TYLER  
TECHNOLOGY'S SOFTWARE.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DATA FIX FOR ERP PRO 10.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**



**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MITIGATION GRANT PROJECTS.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to proceed with the application for one permanent 100 kilowatt generator and three 50 kilowatt portable generators, along with associated trailers.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON HAZARD MITIGATION PARTICIPATION AGREEMENTS.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the agreements.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**14. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON INCREASING EXPO FEES TO \$800 FOR ARENA 1 AND \$600 FOR ARENA 2 (FRIDAY-SUNDAY) EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

**15. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REIMBURSEMENT TO JUDGE RYDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$451.26 FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEATERS AND BATTERIES FOR LEON COUNTY WARMING STATIONS.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bing to approve the reimbursement of the full amount, unless prohibited by law to reimburse the taxes paid. The county attorney will make the determination.

VOTE BREAKDOWN:

Yes: Sullivan, Bing, Workman, Foley

Abstain: Ryder

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**16. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON TAKING PR 2125 INTO COUNTY MAINTENANCE AND RENAMING IT TO CR 2125 IN PCT. 2.**

Commissioner Bing made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the new county road.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**17. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DIRT WORK FOR STALL BARN AND EQUIPMENT SHED AT THE EXPO.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to take no action.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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

None submitted.

**19. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CREATING A WAIVER OF FEES AT THE EXPO TO BE USED AT THE EXPO MANAGER’S DISCRETION.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

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

None submitted.

**21. 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.

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

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to approve the following donations:

Sheriff: \$100 from Citizens State Bank for training budget line item

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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

**A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CARPET IN THE DISTRICT COURTROOM.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley, to select Floors for Living, upon the condition that several references are obtained, and that the final accurate bid is within a \$300 limit over the current estimate.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE TRANSFER OF EQUIPMENT FROM ROAD AND BRIDGE PCT'S AND SOLID WASTE.**

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

Transfer the Case 580M Backhoe (\$22,000) from Pct. 1 to Solid Waste Pct. 4

Transfer the 416 FST Backhoe (\$25,000) from Solid Waste Pct. 1 to Solid Waste Pct. 4

Transfer the 416D Backhoe (\$21,000) from Pct. 1 to Solid Waste Pct. 1.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT TRANSFER FOR THE EXPO CENTER.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to transfer the old Case 621 loader from Road and Bridge Pct. 4 to the Expo at no charge.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**D. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON TRANSFER OR SELL OF JOHN DEERE TRACTOR PCT. 4.**

Commissioner Foley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to have the Auditor's office sell the 6410 John Deere tractor via local bids.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**E. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SOLICITATION OF BIDS TO CEMENT STABILIZE COUNTY ROAD 305 TO THE RV PART ENTRANCE.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to authorize the Auditors office solicit bids.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**F. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SOLICITATION BIDS FOR CHIP SEAL OF COUNTY ROAD 305 TO THE RV PARK ENTRANCE.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to authorize the Auditors office solicit bids.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

G. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LEON COUNTY PURCHASING APPROXIMATELY 3 ACRES ADJACENT TO THE EXISTING PRECINCT 3 MAINTENANCE FACILITY.

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

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

H. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASING A TIMECLOCK FOR EXPO.

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

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

I. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASING A SMALL WELDER, FUEL TANK, AND AIR COMPRESSOR ON A TRAILER PRIMARILY USED AT THE EXPO.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Foley to take no action.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **24. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2.**

None submitted.

#### **25. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.**

None submitted.

#### **26. ADJOURN.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.**

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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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**