

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONER'S COURT – October 10, 2023

COUNTY OF BRISCOE

On the 10th day of October, 2023, the Commissioner's Court of Briscoe County, Texas convened in a Regular Session at the County Courtroom, at the Courthouse in Silverton, Texas, with the following members of the Court present to wit:

RANK COGDELL, County Judge,
KEN WOOD, Commissioner Precinct #1,
JACK WELLMAN, Commissioner Precinct #2, and
DANNY FRANCIS, Commissioner Precinct #3
JOHN BURSON, Commissioner, Precinct #4
AMY FUSTON, County Clerk

Other officials present: Mary Jo Brannon and Garret Davis

Meeting was called to order at 9:02 A.M. by Judge Rank Cogdell.

Open Forum: Judge Cogdell gave the commissioners their invitations to the SDA donor appreciation reception. Judge Cogdell informed the court that the flag pole was in and ready to install. He also asked the commissioners to get pictures of the completed improvements to roads for the disaster program website.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to approve the minutes from the September 11th, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to accept the bid from Mid-Plains for a new phone system for the courthouse for \$355.00 per month. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to accept the bid from Royal Architectural Products to replace existing door locks on the 3 main doors of the courthouse with keypad entry. The funds in the amount of \$8,405.00 will be taken out of courthouse security. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Discussion on possible interlocal agreement with Bailey County for shared attorney was tabled. Motion by Commissioner Wellman. Seconded by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to amend the commissioners court calendar for 2023-2024. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood approve the Interlocal Agreement For The Establishment Of The High Plains Regional Public Defender's Office. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to assign Briscoe County's 1150 votes for the Briscoe County Appraisal District Board of Directors equally between each nominee for a total of 310 votes each. Nominees are as follows: Phil Barefield, Billy Rank Cogdell, Larry Comer, Kyle Fuston, and M'Lynn Taylor. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to approve the 2024 Briscoe County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program. Seconded by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to table the discussion on a bid from RES for floodlights and electrical work related to courthouse security and the flagpole. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to let Sheriff Davis begin the process of looking for a new patrol vehicle, a $\frac{3}{4}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$ ton being acceptable. Seconded by Commissioner Francis, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to let Sheriff Davis start advertising for a 4th deputy sheriff. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Approve LGS contract for Clerk's Office-No Action

Approve LGS contract for JP 1 and JP 2 Offices-No Action

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to approve the order appointing Margaret Davis as Early Voting Ballot Board Judge and Jane Murrell as alternate Early Voting Ballot Board Judge. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the order appointing Amy Fuston as Central Counting Station manager, Jane Murrell as Central Counting Tabulation Supervisor, Margaret Davis as Central Counting Station Presiding Judge, and Jon Etta Ziegler as Central Counting Station Alternate Judge. Seconded by Commissioner Francis, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the 2024 Holiday schedule. Seconded by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

**BRISCOE COUNTY
2024 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY - Monday, January 15, 2024

PRESIDENT'S DAY - Monday, February 19, 2024

GOOD FRIDAY - Friday, March 29, 2024

MEMORIAL DAY - Monday, May 27, 2024

JUNETEENTH NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE DAY - Wednesday, June 19, 2024

INDEPENDENCE DAY - Thursday, July 4, 2024

LABOR DAY - Monday, September 2, 2024

COLOMBUS DAY - Monday, October 14, 2024

VETERAN'S DAY - Monday, November 11, 2024

THANKSGIVING - Thursday & Friday, November 28 & 29, 2024

CHRISTMAS - Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, December 24, 25 & 26, 2024

NEW YEAR'S - Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the following budget amendments. Seconded by Commissioner Francis, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.


ORDER
BUDGET AMENDMENTS
2022-2023

It is hereby ordered by the Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County that the 2022-2023 Budget be amended as follows:

Amendment #	Increase	Decrease	Amount	Dept. Head
10	Law Library	Postage	\$162.00	RC
11	Copier	Postage	\$140.97	RC
12	Election Expense	Health Insurance	\$8,837.71	RC
13	Misc Expense	Health Insurance	\$8,032.27	RC
14	Dispatch Fee	Health Insurance	\$1,727.67	RC
15	Judge Secretary Salary	Judge Seminar	\$252.00	RC
16	Judge Secretary Salary	Judge Office Supplies	\$190.50	RC
17	JP 2 Seminar	JP 2 Office Supplies	\$349.26	RC
18	JP 2 Seminar	JP 2 Payroll Burden	\$147.99	RC
19	Extension Seminar	Extension Office Supplies	\$10.00	SMP
20	Utilities	Telephone	\$1,085.60	RC
21	C.H. Maintenance	Cleaning Supplies	\$595.79	RC
22	Fairgrounds	Health Insurance	\$2,631.48	RC
23	Ground Maintenance	Health Insurance	\$2,222.46	RC
24	Precinct 1 Fuel & Oil	Precinct 1 Extra Labor	\$1,918.93	K.W.
25	Precinct 1 Repair/Supply	Precinct 1 Extra Labor	\$1,288.46	K.W.
26	Precinct 1 Utilities	Precinct 1 Extra Labor	\$338.54	K.W.
27	Precinct 2 Fuel & Oil	Precinct 2 Equipment	\$5,935.87	D.F.
28	Precinct 2 Repair/Supply	Precinct 2 Equipment	\$28,270.50	D.F.
29	Precinct 3 Extra Labor	Precinct 3 Fuel & Oil	\$412.50	D.F.
30	Precinct 3 Utilities	Precinct 3 Fuel & Oil	\$438.52	D.F.
31	Precinct 3 Repair/Supply	Precinct 3 Fuel & Oil	\$5,992.82	D.F.
32	Precinct 3 Repair/Supply	Precinct 3 Equipment	\$2,648.98	D.F.
33	Precinct 4 Utilities	Precinct 4 Repair/Supply	\$688.45	

Approved this 10th day of October, 2023.


Approved Commissioners' Court


Attest County Clerk



Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to approve the work order for Karol Pigg, Precinct #2, in the amount of \$0 (No charge for water control on county road) Seconded by Commissioner Francis, not present Commissioner Wood, passed with a 4-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to approve the following monthly reports. Seconded by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Amy Fuston, County/District Clerk
Mary Jo Brannon, Treasurer-Annual and monthly
Garrett Davis, Sheriff
Jared Johnson, J.P. #2
Spencer Perkins, CEA-ANR

Jon Etta Ziegler, Tax A/C
G.J. Walton, J.P. #1-August & September
Theresa Clinton, Chief Appraiser
Stephanie Otis, CEA-FCS

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to approve Treasurer's Office Holder's Report. Seconded by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

TREASURER'S OFFICE HOLDER REPORT
BRISCOE COUNTY
October 5, 2023

Tax Assessor-Collector	\$9,323.56
County & District Clerk	\$4,864.00
Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1	\$8,490.70
Justice of the Peace, Prec. 2	\$9,522.61
Sheriff	\$350.00
Precinct 1	\$125.00

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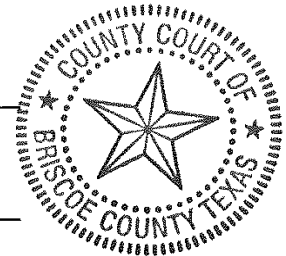
Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mary Jo Brannon, County Treasurer of Briscoe County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.


Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 5th day of October, 2023.


Amy Fuston, Briscoe County Clerk

By: _____
Juanita Murrell



Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to accept the Commissioner Court Affidavit. Seconded by Commissioner Burson, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT AFFIDAVIT

In compliance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County on this date has compared and examined the Monthly Report of Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County Treasurer. Every account is reported as required by Section 114.026 Local Government Code and the Commissioners' inspection was made in accordance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2023

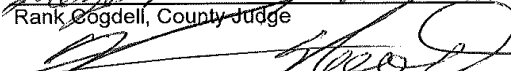
FUND	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DISBURSED	END BALANCE
Gen Fund	\$ 2,348,171.82	\$ 44,529.24	\$ 164,865.82	\$ 2,227,835.24
Jury Fund	\$ 59,975.28	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 59,975.28
Prect 1	\$ 141,720.76	\$ 4,185.39	\$ 11,922.78	\$ 133,983.37
Prect 2	\$ 98,964.41	\$ 3,919.27	\$ 15,093.40	\$ 87,790.28
Prect 3	\$ 74,155.71	\$ 3,629.00	\$ 16,229.91	\$ 61,554.80
Prect 4	\$ 106,948.32	\$ 3,338.66	\$ 7,972.08	\$ 102,314.90
*Other Funds	\$ 201,169.54	\$ 2,494.97	\$ -	\$ 203,664.51
Total	\$ 3,031,105.84	\$ 62,096.53	\$ 216,083.99	\$ 2,877,118.38

*Balances of Other Funds that have stipulations by law as how they may be spent, and may not be included in other fund's balances.

In this regular session of Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County, the requirements of Section 114.026 Subsection C of the Local Government Code have been met and \$2,877,118.38 remains in the custody of Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County Treasurer.

Approved in open court this the 10th day of October 2023.


Rank Cogdell, County Judge


Ken Wood, Commissioner Prect 1


Jack Wellman, Commissioner Prect 2


Danny Francis, Commissioner Prect 3


John Burson, Commissioner Prect 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to pay 2022-2023 yearend invoices as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Wellman, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to pay Jack's Automotive bills for \$20.00. Seconded by Commissioner Wood. Commissioner Wellman abstained. Passed with a 4-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to pay invoices as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Burson, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to pay salaries and line items. Seconded by Commissioner Francis, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Wood, passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered. Adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

/S/ Amy Fuston
County Clerk, Briscoe County, Texas