

On this the 23rd day of March, 2021, at 10:00 A.M. came on to be held a REGULAR meeting of the Ector County Commissioners' Court in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Ector County Administration Building Annex, 1010 E. 8th St., Odessa, Texas with the following members present:

Debi Hays, County Judge
Mike Gardner, Commissioner Precinct #1
Greg Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2
Don Stringer, Commissioner Precinct #3
Armando Rodriguez, Commissioner Precinct #4
Minutes taken by Jennifer Martin, County Clerk

when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

County Judge Debi Hays called the meeting to order at 10:06 A. M. with a quorum of the court present. The invocation was led by Commissioner Gardner. Commissioner Rodriguez led the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and the pledge of allegiance to the Texas flag.

Judge Hays recognized and thanked Dallas Kennedy and the Ector County Independent School District for bringing his students to the Commissioners Court meeting and for allowing them to witness how county government business is conducted.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/REQUESTS/RESOLUTIONS

1. To accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ending September 30, 2020.
Randy Donner – County Auditor

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ending September 30, 2020; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

2. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding a Burn Ban in Ector County and authorize the County Judge and County Commissioners to sign Order.
Mike Gardner – Commissioner Pct. 1

Joey White addressed the court stating that a burn ban was needed due to more red flag days in the month than not. He said that not ordering a burn ban would cause more fires like the one burning today at the Ector County/Winkler County line which was caused by wind and downed power lines and had spread to over 500 acres.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve a burn ban in Ector County; Judge Hays seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 3-2**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer

Voting Against Motion:

✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

3. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to address the needs and list of repairs at the Ector County Library and possibly adding the library to the Johnson Controls Energy Savings Contract and Financing and to approve a budget amendment to Capital Improvements Fund, Improvements and Construction, 044-990-5509 from Unreserved Fund Balance, 044-3310 for \$1,500,000 and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Armando S. Rodríguez – Commissioner Pct. 4
Charles Pierce – Building Maintenance

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to table the item until the next meeting and for each Commissioner to appoint one person to serve on a Library guidance committee; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

4. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding the purchase of listed items: GTS Technology Solutions for 27 laptop docking stations, 27 input car adapters \$25,671.06; 27 in cameras from Axon Enterprise Inc. totaling \$262,197.00; 44 AED's from AED First Response \$1,302.00 totaling \$57,288.00; 27 cradle points, harnesses at \$899.10 each, totaling \$24,275.70 and service plans from Verizon Wireless monthly at \$37.99 each per month totaling \$1,025.73 per month term totaling \$12,308.76, equipment total cost \$24,275.70; 54 H2S monitors from Loaded Dice Safety \$5,224.50; 27 StreamLight LED flashlights from StreamLight Stinger totaling \$3,239.73 for a grand total of \$404,433.21.
Mike Griffis – Sheriff

ITEM WITHDRAWN

5. To consider approval of the 2020 Annual List of Gifts and Memorial to the Ector County Library in the amount of \$13,508.21.
Cleopatra Anderson – County Treasurer

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the 2020 Annual List of Gifts and Memorial to the Ector County Library in the amount of \$13,508.21; Commissioner Rodriguez seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

6. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action to approve the purchase of two (2) Nikon cameras with accessories using Cares Act Supplemental Funds and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Ron Inge – Medical Examiner

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve the purchase of two (2) Nikon cameras with accessories using Cares Act Supplemental Funds and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

7. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action regarding a request to extend current seasonal employees until the end of this year due to work demand and to approve a line transfer to Road Department, Salaries, Part-Time/Seasonal, 002-810-5104 from Road Maintenance, 002-810-5241 for \$70,000.
Evans Kessey – Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez to approve a request to extend current seasonal employees until the end of this year due to work demand and to approve a line transfer to Road Department, Salaries, Part-Time/Seasonal, 002-810-5104 from Road Maintenance, 002-810-5241 for \$70,000; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

AWARD OF BIDS/PROPOSALS

8. To award, reject or take any other necessary action regarding the award Highway Materials bids and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Lucy Soto – Purchasing
Evans Kessey – Public Works

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to award Highway Materials bids and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

9. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on the extension of the Auctioneer Services On-Line and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Lucy Soto – Purchasing

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve the extension of the Auctioneer Services On-Line and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

✓ Judge Hays
✓ Commissioner Gardner ✓ Commissioner Stringer
✓ Commissioner Simmons ✓ Commissioner Rodriguez

PUBLIC WORKS

10. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on New Hope Subdivision being 20.00 Acres situated in Section 14, Block 44, T-2-S T&P RW Co. Survey, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Evans Kessey – Public Works

Commissioner Gardner made a motion to approve New Hope Subdivision being 20.00 Acres situated in Section 14, Block 44, T-2-S T&P RW Co. Survey, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Stringer.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

11. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Aurora Estates a Subdivision of 10.00 Acres in Section 23, Block 44, T-2-S T&P RW Co. Survey, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Evans Kessey – Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve Aurora Estates a Subdivision of 10.00 Acres in Section 23, Block 44, T-2-S T&P RW Co. Survey, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

12. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Castillo MHRC located at 5059 Nightshade Avenue 1.1 Acre lot located in Dream Catcher Addition, Block 1, Lot 5, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 2) and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Evans Kessey – Public Works

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve Castillo MHRC located at 5059 Nightshade Avenue 1.1 Acre lot located in Dream Catcher Addition, Block 1, Lot 5, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 2) and authorize the County Judge to sign; a second was made by Commissioner Gardner. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

13. To consider, discuss, and take any necessary action on Seibert/Browning MHRC located at 11068 W. 16th Street 4.9700 Acre Tract located in Westridge Subdivision, Block 27, Lot 22, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign.
Evans Kessey – Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Gardner to approve Seibert/Browning MHRC located at 11068 W. 16th Street 4.9700 Acre Tract located in Westridge Subdivision, Block 27, Lot 22, Ector County, Texas (Precinct 1) and authorize the County Judge to sign; Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED. 5-0

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

BUDGET/FINANCIAL

14. To consider, review, discuss, and approve pay application #7 to Johnson Controls, Inc. for the Master Lease Purchase Agreement.
Randy Donner – County Auditor

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve pay application #7 to Johnson Controls, Inc. for the Master Lease Purchase Agreement; a second was made by Commissioner Rodriguez. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

15. To consider and approve the Accounts Payable Fund Requirements Report for March 23, 2021 to review County financial statements and reports.
Randy Donner - County Auditor

A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to approve the Accounts Payable Fund Requirements Report for March 23, 2021 to review County financial statements and reports; Commissioner Gardner seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

Voting for Motion:

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| <u>✓</u> Judge Hays | |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Gardner | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Stringer |
| <u>✓</u> Commissioner Simmons | <u>✓</u> Commissioner Rodriguez |

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. To consider and discuss legal matters pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.071, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

17. To consider and discuss real estate issues/transactions pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

18. To consider and discuss personnel matters pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.
Debi Hays - County Judge

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM

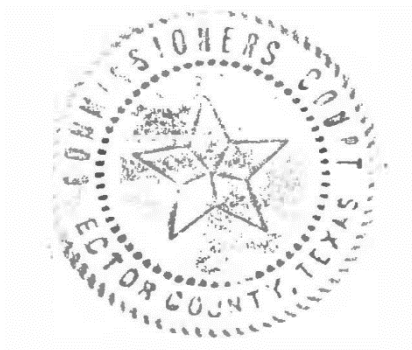
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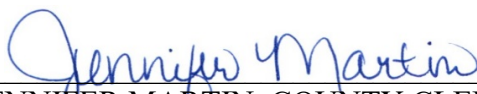
With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Simmons made a motion with a second by Commissioner Stringer to adjourn to the call of the chair. **MOTION PASSED. 5-0**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ECTOR

I, Jennifer Martin, County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Proceedings for the Regular Commissioners' Court meeting of March 23, 2021.




JENNIFER MARTIN, COUNTY CLERK
ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS