

MARCH 4, 2025

BID OPENING FOR DEPOSITORY BANK

Present: Renee Warren-Treasurer; Nichole Mock-Auditor and Bobbie Walker-Deputy County Clerk; Judge McDowell
Shayla Ruiz-Centennial Bank; Kylene Innis & Michael Mendoza-BOC.

BIDS WERE RECEIVED FROM: Wellington State Bank; BOC; and Centennial Bank/Happy State Bank

Item will be place on the Commissioners Court agenda for Monday March 10, 2025

Adjourned at 10:10 AM

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The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on the above date at 9:00 AM to consider the below agenda items. Members present were: Judge McDowell, Commissioner May Jr, Commissioner Simpson and Commissioner Walker. Commissioner Gaines was absent. Also attending were: Margaret Dorman-Clerk of the Court; Nichole Mock-County Auditor; Renee Warren-County Treasurer; Sherri Jones-District Clerk; Tim Reeves & Belinda Daniels-Sheriff Department; Kimberly Morgan-Tax Appraiser; Louis Stas; Bob Stiles; Shane Sawyer-Wellington State Bank; Shayla Ruiz-Happy State Bank and Kylene Innis & Michael Mendoza-BOC.

Court was caled to order by Judge McDowell who when offered the opening prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the mintues from the February 2025 meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to accept the monthly fee collection reports and the the Claim Report as submitted by the County Treasurer covering the period of February 25, 2025 through March 6, 2025 and totaling \$254,065.67. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COMPENSATORY TIME BALANCES

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the compensatory time balances for employees. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

No action needed.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

No action needed.

LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

No action needed.

BURN BAN

No action taken.

JUDGES REPORT

Judge McDowell reported that he has recently attended a Judges meeting in Amarillo; Criminal Docket call for County Court was held on February 27, 2025 and the water leak at the Ag Center has been fixed.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

No items to report

PCT #4-SURPLUS PROPERTY DECLARED

John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to declare the following as surplus property, effective, March 10, 2025:

1980 Kan Tanker Trailer-SN #K828V

1988 Load King Belly Dump Trailer #1L4B37235J1015668

Motion carried unanimously.

SO-JIMMY SKINNER ADDED TO PAYROLL-PART TIME DEPUTY-effective March 15, 2025, \$20.24 hourly

At the request of Sheriff Reeves, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to add Jimmy Skinner to the payroll as a part time deputy, effective March 15, 2025, with an hourly rate of \$20.24 per hour, SB 22 funds to be used. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-DIMONTRAY SIBLEY ADDED TO PAYROLL-Part Time Deputy-effective March 15, 2025, \$20.24 hourly

At the request of Sheriff Reeves, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to add Dimontray Sibley to the payroll as a part time deputy, effective March 15, 2025 with an hourly rate of \$20.24 per hour. SB 22 funds to be used. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-DARLA ALLEN ADDED TO PAYROLL-PART TIME JAILER/DISPATCHER-effective March 15, 2025-\$17.99 hourly

At the request of Sheriff Reeves, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to add Darla Allen to the payroll as a part time jailer/dispatcher, effective March 15, 2025, with an hourly rate of \$17.99 per hour. SB 22 funds to be used. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-TIFFANY BERTEN ADDED TO PAYROLL-Part Time Jailer/dispatcher-effective March 15, 2025-\$17.99 hourly

At the request of Sheriff Reeves, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to add Tiffany Berten to the payroll as a part time jailer/dispatcher, effective March 15, 2025 with an hourly rate of \$17.99 per hour. SB 22 funds to be used. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-LEVI SHAW REMOVED FROM PAYROLL-effective March 4, 2025

At the request of Sheriff Reeves, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to remove Levi Shaw from the payroll, effective March 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-SURPLUS PROPERTY DECLARED-effective March 10, 2025

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to declare the following as surplus property, effective March 10, 2025: Box of miscellaneous radar equipment; 2008 AMG Hummer, Camo in color. Motion carried unanimously.

TAX EXEMPTION REQUEST-Ora Belinda Schoolhouse-Bob Stiles

Bob Stiles, on behalf of Ora Belinda Schoolhouse, met with the Court to request a Tax Exemption for the facility. Judge McDowell made a motion to grant the facility a 50% exemption as long as eligible. Motion died for lack of a second. No other motions were made. Exemption not granted.

BANK DEPOSITORY BID ACCEPTED-4 YEARS

Representatives from Wellington State Bank; Happy State Bank and BOC were present and offered the opportunity to speak to the Court prior to consideration. Judge McDowell informed the Court that he did have a distant relation to the owner of Wellington State Bank.

After discussion, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to accept the bid from Happy State Bank. Voting FOR were: Judge McDowell, Jackie Don May Jr, David Simpson and John Walker. No votes against. Motion carried.

TREASURER-1ST QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT-FY 2024-2025

County Treasurer, Renee Warren, presented her 1st quarter Investment Report, which reflected \$206,497.36 interest earned. David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to accept the report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY CLERK-SURPLUS PROPERTY DECLARED-4 secretary chairs

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to declare the 4 secretary chairs from the County Clerks office as surplus property, effective March 10, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSTABLE PCT #2-Law Enforcement certification approved-Jeff Shortnacy

John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to accept the certification for Jeff Shortnacy as proof of his Law Enforcement certification. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to pay the bills as approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 AM Motion carried.

Margaret Dorman
MARGARET DORMAN, COUNTY CLERK

PAT MCDOWELL, COUNTY JUDGE

APPROVED: 4/14/2025