

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR SESSION

FEBRUARY 12, 2024

9:00 A.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 12th day of February 2024 the following members were present: Elsa Fierro, Pct. 1; G L Bunger, Pct. 2; Wesley Bean, Pct. 3; Mike Medina, Pct. 4; and Frank Tambunga, County Judge where the following proceedings were had,

AGENDA POSTING

Judge Tambunga announced agenda to this Regular Session was posted. All agreed and meeting carried on due to proof of posting.

MINUTES

Minutes from previous meetings were previously read by each member of the Court. Mike Medina made a motion to approve the minutes from previous meetings. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

**EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL AND DIRECT PAYMENT
OF THOSE APPROVED "EXHIBIT A"**

Commissioners examined accounts for approval and direct payment of those approved on Treasurer's Claims Register. Wesley Bean made a motion to approve bills as presented. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

JANUARY DONATIONS "EXHIBIT B"

The donation in the amount of \$44,750.00 from American Online Giving Foundation was applied for. G L Bunger made a motion to accept the January Donations as presented. Wesley Bean seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON EMPLOYEE 457 RETIREMENT PLAN AND WORKPLACE SOLUTIONS AGREEMENT WITH AMERIPRISE "EXHIBIT C"

Sam Vaughan, Associate Financial Advisor. was present to visit with the Court about an Ameriprise Financial Wellness Program designed exclusively for Crockett County. No action was taken at this time on this agenda line item.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES ACA REPORTING AND TRACKING SERVICES 2024 RENEWAL CONFIRMATION PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Laura Conner announced this is our annual agreement that the County has with TAC for them to do our ACA Reporting. Wesley Bean made a motion to renew agreement with Texas Association of Counties ACA Reporting and Tracking Services 2024 Renewal Confirmation Program Agreement. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT "EXHIBIT D"

Laura Conner was present to give the Treasurer's Report. G L Bunger made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

AUDITOR'S REPORT "EXHIBIT E"

Dolores Ramirez was present to give the Auditor's Report. Wesley Bean made a motion to approve the Auditor's Report. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

ROAD DEPARTMENT REPORT "EXHIBIT F"

Jeffrey Stuart was present to give the Road Department Report on work completed and anticipated.

CIVIC CENTER REPORT "EXHIBIT G"

Allen Williams was present to give the Civic Center Report on activities taken at the Center.

CONSIDER APPROVAL AND DISCUSS HIRING AN OUTSIDE ATTORNEY TO LITIGATE A PRIVATE PAY RESIDENT OUTSTANDING BALANCE "EXHIBIT H"

Judge Tambunga announced there is a private pay resident at the Care Center that has not been paying and the balance due is over \$40,000.00. Mike Medina made a motion to hire an outside attorney to litigate a private pay resident outstanding balance. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried. G L Bunger abstained and recused himself on this matter due to conflict of interest.

LIBRARY REPORT

Jennifer Holmsley was present to give the Library Report. She announced Desiree Marshall that took Margaret Longoria's place is working out really well and is very knowledgeable with computers.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE REPORT "EXHIBIT I"

Antonio Alejandro and Arnulfo Bravo were present to give the Sheriff's Office Report. They submitted a quote from MetroGolfCars for an ATV to be used by the Sheriff's Office to track people down. These could be purchased with the grant. Mr. Medina announced it would still be costly to buy trailers and equipment for them. No action was taken on the ATV at this time. Sheriff

announced they had a virtual/over the phone inspection this year for the jail and there were four deficiencies that were not met. They consist of generator logs, cell checks, not completing a suicide form for an inmate, and rec loss, in which inmates need to put in denied if he doesn't want to take recreation time.

OPEN AND AWARD FUEL BIDS

One bid was submitted for fuel bids. Wesley Bean made a motion to accept a bill from Fuel Source from Mertzon. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

ROAD REPAIR AGREEMENT BETWEEN CROCKETT COUNTY AND SHAMROCK WIND LLC "EXHIBIT J"

Mr. Bunger announced this was an agreement with the wind company and if these funds are accepted by the Court, then the County is accepting responsibility of fixing the road. G L Bunger made a motion to approve the road repair agreement between Crockett County and Shamrock Wind LLC. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

INSTALLATION OF LIGHTS AT RODEO ARENA

G L Bunger made a motion to install lights at the Rodeo Arena in the amount of less than \$17,000.00. G L Bunger amended his motion to add to be paid out of contingency. Wesley Bean seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

DIRT FOR NEW WARM UP PEN AT THE ARENA

Mr. Bunger announced the new warm up pen needs sand and the County will be hauling it in from Bronte. G L Bunger made a motion to purchase material needed for new warm up pen up to \$6,000.00 and county will haul it. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

INVOICE SUBMITTED BY JESSE VENEGAS FOR FENCE WORK AT THE ARENA

Wesley Bean made a motion to pay the original bid turned in by Jesse Venegas for \$12,000.00. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

PROPERTY IN PRECINCT 2, LOT 2 BLOCK 50, AVE E "EXHIBIT K"

The Court visited about the lot by the grocery store. There have been a lot of complaints from the public. On June 8, 2022 Jody Upham, County Attorney, mailed a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Adkins informing them that they have allowed litter to accumulate on their property. G L Bunger made a motion pursuant to Chapter 343 of the Health and Safety Code, to allow Jody Upham, County Attorney to draft a letter and have Sheriff Deputy hand deliver or send via certified mail depending on what statute states for property in Precinct 2, Lot 2 Block 50, Ave E. Wesley Bean seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

SUPPORT LETTER FOR MHMR GRANT "EXHIBIT L"

Judge Tambunga stated MHMR is applying for grants and they need to show counties are supporting them. Wesley Bean made a motion to approve the letter from MHMR. Elsa Fierro seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

REVIEW PROPOSED EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

The Court will review the Proposed Handbook and then get back to Mr. Kimbrough. No action was taken at this time on this agenda line item.

DPS TRUNKING PROPOSAL

No action was taken at this time on this agenda line item.

COUNTYWIDE BURN BAN

No action was taken at this time on this agenda line item.

SENIOR CENTER REPORT "EXHIBIT M"

Susie Childress submitted the Senior Center Report.

NEWQUEST IT SOLUTIONS, LLC REPORT "EXHIBIT N"

Keynon Lannom submitted IT Reports for Crockett County.

EXTENSION REPORT "EXHIBIT O"

Rebecca Taylor and Dawson Owens submitted Extension Office Report.

TAX ASSESSOR REPORT "EXHIBIT P"

Michelle Medley submitted the Tax Assessors Report.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

10:00 A.M.

**AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR
ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE 2024 COLONIA FUND-**

**CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE**

Samantha Chumley with grant works is assisting the water department with a big project in which they will apply for the 2024 Colonia Fund. Wesley Bean made a motion to issue requests for proposals for administrative services and requests for qualifications for engineering services related to the 2024 Colonia Fund Construction administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS INSTALLING A STOP SIGN AT INTERSECTION OF APPALOOSA
RUN & SWAPS STREET**

Mike Medina made a motion to install two stop signs on the north and south side of intersection Swaps and Appaloosa Run. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.



Frank Tambunga, County Judge

Attest:



Ninfa Preddy, County Clerk