

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR SESSION

AUGUST 8, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 8th day of August, 2022 Frank Tambunga, Pct. 1 and Wesley Bean, Pct. 2 were not present. The following members were present: G L Bunger, Pct. 1; Mike Medina, Pct. 4 and Fred Deaton, County Judge were present, where the following proceedings were had

MINUTES

Minutes from previous meetings were read. G L Bunger made a motion to accept minutes from meetings. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

WEST TEXAS REHAB "EXHIBIT A"

A gentleman (name never mentioned in open Court) with West Texas Rehab was present to address the Court with a Change Order for the Rehab on renovations. Mike Medina made a motion to pay \$18,873.75 for repairs to West Texas Rehab to be paid out of Building Maintenance. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

OPEN FORUM/PUBLIC COMMENTS "EXHIBIT B"

Evelyn Kerbow, Justice of the Peace and Ninfa Preddy, County Clerk asked the Court to increase all Elected Official salaries to range close to surrounding counties Elected Official salaries. Mrs. Kerbow did mention that would be great to have the Sheriff get \$10,000.00 raise and the other officials a \$5,000.00 raise. Mrs. Ramirez did inform the Court that this money for the raise would not be taken out of Contingency Fund but would be taken out of the two salaries that

are no longer needed like the 911 operator (Steve Kenley's Position) and Fire Chief (Bob Falkner's Position). The Court reviewed the exhibits that Dolores Ramirez, County Auditor submitted and agreed and will include this in the 2023 Budget Workshop.

APPROVE 2022 CROCKETT COUNTY PROPOSED TAX RATE "EXHIBIT C"

Fred Deaton made a motion to approve 2022 Crockett County Proposed Tax Rate. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried. G L Bunger, Pct. 2 – Yes; Fred Deaton, County Judge- Yes; Frank Tambunga, Pct. 1 – Absent; Mike Medina, Pct. 4 – Yes; Wesley Bean, Pct 3 – Absent.

CARE CENTER HEALTH & EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT "EXHIBIT D"

Megan Nowell and John Hellman were present to give the Care Center report. They did request money from ARPA Funds that the Sheriff's Office is not going to use to buy new Care Center Van.

CIVIC CENTER REPORT "EXHIBIT E"

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

LIBRARY REPORT

Jennifer Holmsley was present to give the Library Report on activities taken at the library.

SHERIFF'S REPORT "EXHIBIT F"

Arnulfo Bravo was present to give the Sheriff's Office Report.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

9:00 AM

FIBER OPTIC LINE AT SHERRIFF'S OFFICE AND JAIL "EXHIBIT G"

Mike Medina made a motion to approve the Fiber Optic Line at the Sheriff's Office and Jail. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

SHERIFF FUEL "EXHIBIT H"

No action until Judge Deaton talks to Sunoco.

END OF SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

COUNTYWIDE BURN BAN

G L Bunger made a motion to continue the county wide burn ban.

AIRPORT REPORT

Charles McCleary was present to give the Airport Report.

TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS POOL "EXHIBIT I"

Bobby Zesch was present to visit with the Court about the Texas Association of Counties Health & Employee Benefits Pool. The Court did review and discuss the policy. G L Bunger made a motion to approve the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool. Mike Medina seconded to approve the Texas Association of Counties Health and Employee Benefits Pool.

IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL FEES CALENDAR YEAR 2023 “EXHIBIT J”

As per Michelle Medley, Tax Assessor announced no change on the imposition of optional fees. G L Bunger made a motion to make no changes on imposition of optional fees calendar year 2023. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

COUNTY EQUIPMENT BY EMPLOYEES ON WEEKEND AND HOLIDAYS EVENT

Discussion was held on this agenda line item. G L Bunger made a motion to table this item to the next meeting for further discussion with Jody Upham, County Attorney.

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER “EXHIBIT K”

This is a declaration that the health, safety and welfare of Crockett County residents are a threat of disaster. Mike Medina made a motion to declare Local State of Disaster from the unprecedented levels of illegal immigration, human trafficking, and drug smuggling coming across the U.S. border from Mexico. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

PURCHASE OF USED BACKHOE FOR ROAD DEPARTMENT

G L Bunger made a motion to purchase used Backhoe for Road Department. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

INTERSECTION BETWEEN AVE. G AND 1ST STREET

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

BLUE SKY SOLAR TAX ABATEMENT

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

SHAMROCK WIND FARM TAX ABATEMENT

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

COUNTY ROAD USE AGREEMENT

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

CONTRACT WITH DAVID INGHAM FOR ACCESS TO TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE RADIO TOWER

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

TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE RADIO TOWER

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

JULY DONATIONS "EXHIBIT L"

July donations were read in open court and accepted. G L Bunger made a motion to accept July Donations. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

IMPROVEMENTS TO RODEO ARENA AND PARK

Mike Medina made a motion to table engineering shed/cover. G L Bunger seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTS FOR APPROVAL AND DIRECT PAYMENT OF THOSE APPROVED “EXHIBIT M”

Commissioners met to examine accounts for approval and direct payment of those approved on Treasurer’s Claims Register. Mike Medina made a motion to approve and pay bills. Mike Medina seconded. Motion carried. Mike Medina abstained from voting on any SKG Engineering bills and Fred Deaton abstained from voting on any Mike’s Car Care.

FINANCIAL REPORTS “EXHIBIT N”

Laura Conner was present to give the Treasurer’s Report and Dolores Ramirez was present to give the Auditor’s Report. G L Bunger made a motion to approve the Treasurer and Auditor Reports. Mike Medina seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

ROAD AND PARK REPORTS “EXHIBIT O”

Jeffrey Stuart was present to give the Road and Park Reports on work completed and anticipated.

SENIOR CENTER REPORT “EXHIBIT P”

Susie Childress submitted the Senior Center Report.

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT “EXHIBIT Q”

Joe Jurado submitted the Animal Control Report.

2023 BUDGET WORKSHOP

The Court reviewed and discussed the 2023 Budget. They will meet with the public on August 17, 2022 for any concerns.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Fred Deaton

Fred Deaton, County Judge

Ninfa Preddy

Ninfa Preddy, County Clerk

Attest:

