THE STATE OF TEXAS

REGULAR MEETING

COUNTY OF MCCULLOCH

DECEMBER 11, 2023

The Commissioner's Court of McCulloch County met in Regular Session on the 11^{TH} day of December, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present:

Frank Trull County Judge Carol Anderson Commissioner Pct. #1 Randy Deans Commissioner Pct. #2 Jason Behrens Commissioner Pct. #3 Don Bratton Commissioner Pct. #4 Mikkie Williams **County Treasurer** Matt Andrews **County Sheriff Greg Torres County Attorney**

Invocation was given by Commissioner Behrens followed by the Pledge to the U.S. and Texas Flags.

No Minutes available

Public Comment: Sheila Hemphill addressed the Court with concerns and heavy debt load for the County if the City of Brady proceeds with the remodel of the old Brady ISD Cafeteria for the Fire/EMS Department. There will be a cost of 1.9 million for the remodel and 4.0 million for a new Fire/EMS Department

Bills for December 11, 2023 were presented Commissioner Deans stated that a bill for a flat on the wheel loader needed to be paid out of Precinct #3-line items. Commissioner Behrens made the motion and Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

Elected Officials/Department Heads: County Judge Frank Trull reported that County Criminal Court has been very busy, and Probate Court has been steady in the County Clerk's Office. He also reported that CVCOG grants for homeland security and Criminal Justice will open up beginning today and if anyone is interested in submitting an application is more than welcome to do so, and the CVCOG grants for Solid Waste application deadline is nearing to the December 31, 2023 date.

Discussion:

 Discussion was held by the court on Section 3 Policy Updates and Information for the County's TxCDBG Contract #CDV21-0347. The Engineers are ready to bid it out with an 8-step process. The project is about 40 days from getting environmental clearance.

Action:

- 1. The Court discussed and approved a road crossing right-of-way permit on CR 136 proposed by Charlie Bradshaw for the City of Melvin water system. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Behrens seconded. All in favor, Motion carries. 5-0
- The Court discussed and acted on Frontier Communication request for approval on the right-of-way applications for the following projects: 5313119(H1001), 5313121 (H1003), 5313130(H3003), 5313132(H3004), 5313123(H1005). This will be updating to fiber optics to Brady and McCulloch County. Commissioner Behrens made the motion with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0.
- 3. The Court discussed, acted, and approved the County Tax Office and Assessor Silvia Campos proposal from Catailis for the processing of in person credit card payments within her office. With this change from Gov Pay the convenience fee will decrease from \$3.00 or 3% to \$1.50 or 2.5%. Commissioner Behrens made the motion with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0
- 4. The Court discussed, acted, and approved the selection of a Project Manager for the remaining FEMA projects in Precinct #4. Commissioner Jason Behrens is the named project manager. Commissioner Behrens made the motion with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0.
- The Court acted and approved to go into closed executive session pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 551.071 consultation with County Attorney Greg Torres in regards to the tax abatement agreements between McCulloch County, Rattlesnake Power, LLC and Heart of Texas

Wind LLC. Commissioner Deans made the motion to go into closed executive session with Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in Favor. Motion carries. 5-0

Motion to come out of Closed Executive Session was made by Commissioner Deans at 11:03 AM with Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in favor, Motion carries. 5-0

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:04 AM with Commissioner Deans making the motion and seconded by Commissioner Behrens. All in favor motion carried. 5-0

Frank Trull

County Judge

Christine A. Jones

County Clerk