

The Commissioner's Court of McCulloch County met in Regular Session on the 27th day of January, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. with the following present:

Frank Trull	County Judge
Carol Anderson	Commissioner Pct. #1
Randy Deans	Commissioner Pct. #2
Rod Young	Commissioner Pct. #3
Don Bratton	Commissioner Pct. #4
Christine A. Jones	County Clerk
Mikkie Williams	County Treasurer
Greg Torres	County Attorney
Matt Andrews	County Sheriff

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

Public Comment: NONE

MINUTES:

Minutes from January 13, 2025 were presented and approved with corrections. Commissioner Deans made the motion and Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0

BILLS:

Bills for January 27, 2025 were presented and approved with Commissioner Anderson making the motion and Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

Elected Officials/Department Heads: County Treasurer Mikkie Williams informed the court that she had sent out an Email to elected officials/dept heads informing them that W-2's are on the employee portal for individuals to print out.

Judge Trull received a letter from AECOM about ONCOR evaluating the new project on transmission line that would impact McCulloch County. He tried calling Griffin Fraser, the Project Manager but did not get a response from him, however he did speak to Miguel Alvarado and he described the project as being in the very early stages of planning and they did not know the exact county roads that the project would impact. Mr. Alvarado also stated that the scope of the project could even change. The project has not been approved as of yet. If the court has any questions Mr. Alvarado can be reached at the number given to the Judge. On Thursday February 13, 2025 there is a Commissioner Court meeting but the Judge has a courtroom training in Menard. He asked Commissioner Deans if he could chair the meeting. Commissioner Deans agreed to chair the meeting. Judge also let the court know that roof repair at the Extension Office has begun and hopefully, the weather will hold until they can finish. Judge Trull also met with Concho Valley Transit to discuss possible buildings for a better office and waiting room space. They drove to the old School Cafeteria to see if that would be an option, but the building will probably need more work than the old Senior Citizens Center. The Concho Valley Transit is wanting to purchase a larger bus and make several trips to San Angelo per day since Mason County is now a part of the transit. They are also looking into a USDA grant to see if that may be funding help. It is a grant that the County will have to handle.

Commissioner Anderson let the court know that in her Precinct #1 barn there are 6 totes of pot hole patch that needs to be used soon.

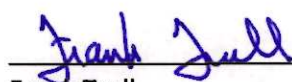
Discussion:

1. Commissioner Young opened with discussion of following proper channels in the hiring process. He informed the court that as of this day there were two applications turned in. Both applicants were ideal prospects. The hiring would be for a full-time employee for Precinct #3 and a floating employee for Precincts #2 and #4. Commissioner Young stated that one applicant he is considering hiring is a family member to one of the Commissioners over another precinct. He spoke to Jim Allison, of Allison, Bass, and Magee and Mr. Allison stated that it would not be a problem for Commissioner Young to hire the applicant as long as the Commissioner of the other precinct does not make any decisions over the employee.

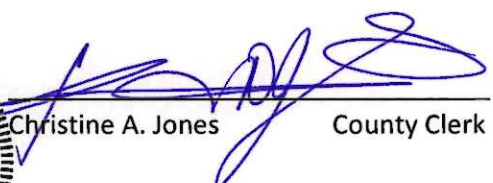
Action:

1. The Court acted and approved CTTC Road Crossing Permit on CR 454 in Precinct #4, originating from its existing buried fiber mainline at 603-13 and extend fiber by placing hand hole 603-12A in existing conduit and exiting into private. This crossing is necessary to provide a local community building in Precinct #4 with access to 911, telephone, and Internet services. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0.
2. The Court acted and approved a proposed amendment to TDA engineering agreement for additional engineering services of original project scope. Commissioner Bratton made the motion and Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0.
3. The Court acted and approved a Service and Maintenance Agreement between Guardian Security and McCulloch County for the Panic System in the amount of \$2,659.15. Commissioner Young made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0
4. The Court discussed, considered, and approved a request from Reserves to capital outlay to purchase and install a flatbed for new precinct pickup for Precinct #2. Commissioner Anderson disagreed with the funds coming from reserves and stated the funds need to come from that precincts budget. Commissioner Anderson also asked why the funds were not priced out of ARPA funds. County Treasurer Mikkie Williams spoke about \$500,000.00 in Road and Bridge Reserves and that funds need to be a budget amendment before she can move the funds. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. Commissioner Anderson and Judge Trull voted against the Motion. Motion carries. 3-2
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6. The Court acted and approved the FY 2025 First Quarterly report as presented by County Treasurer Mikkie Williams. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0
7. The Court acted and approved to accept donations, memorials and reporting on monies received to the McCulloch County Library for December 1, to December 31, 2024. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Young seconded. All in Favor Motion Carries. 5-0
8. The Court acted and approved on a closed executive session pursuant to Government Code Chapter 551.071 consultation with the County Attorney regarding Rattlesnake Power LLC/Heart of Texas Wind LLC tax abatement agreement compliance and the September 2024 email hack incident. Commissioner Anderson asked for County Treasurer to stay for the closed session. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in Favor Motion Carries. 5-0
9. The court acted and approved to reconvene in Open Session at 11:37 A.M. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in favor Motion carries. 5-0
10. The court acted and approved Constangy, Brooks, Smith and Prophete, LLP sending consumer notification letters to thirty-seven individuals who were involved in the September 2024 email address hack. Credit monitoring would be offered to those individuals. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. Motion carries 5-0.
11. The court acted and approved Recess from 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M. to attend the McCulloch County Extension Office Annual Interpretation Meeting. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Bratton seconded. All in Favor Motion Carries. 5-0
12. The court acted and approved to reconvene at 1:01 P.M. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Anderson seconded. All in Favor Motion Carries. 4-0

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:01 PM with Commissioner Deans making the motion and seconded by Commissioner Anderson. All in favor motion carried. 4-0


Frank Trull County Judge




Christine A. Jones County Clerk