

STATE OF TEXAS }
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COUNTY OF CONCHO }

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF CONCHO COUNTY, TEXAS, met in Regular Term on this, the 9th day of July 2024 at Paint Rock, Texas, in the District Courtroom, Second Floor, after proper notice to the public for the proper length of time, being Notice #6479, with the following members present, to-wit:

David Dillard, County Judge, presiding;
Trey Bradshaw, Commissioner, Precinct #1; **ABSENT**
Eric Gully, Commissioner, Precinct #2;
Gary Gierisch, Commissioner, Precinct #3;
Keith Dillard, Commissioner, Precinct #4;
Amber Hall, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of
Commissioners Court; **ABSENT** and

Jenifer Gierisch, County Treasurer; Frankie DeeDee Roberts, Chief Deputy Treasurer; Scott Spoons, Justice of the Peace; Brent Frazier, County Sheriff; Wes Lowe, Chief Deputy Sheriff; David Rasky, Peregrine Energy; Ivy Spiller; when the following business was transacted, to-wit:

Judge Dillard called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and gave the invocation.

WELCOME AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONSIDER BURN BAN – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

No action taken. Burn Ban is still in effect.

RECEIVE COMMISSIONERS’ ROAD REPORTS

Precinct 3 & 4 reports received. Precinct 1 & 2 will be presented at next meeting. See Exhibit “A”

IVY SPILLER TO SPEAK TO COMMISSIONERS COURT ABOUT CEDAR ERADICATION - NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Ivy Spiller stated that the cedar in Concho County is getting out of control. There must be something that can be done to clear the cedar county-wide.

CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE POSSIBLE NEW TAX ABATEMENT FOR PROJECT OLD SORRELL, A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM – BY MCGUIREWOODS CONSULTING – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

David Rasky presented the battery energy storage that Peregrine Energy wants to build in Eden. It will be operated remotely and stores the energy until it is needed for the power grid. It will only be on 20 acres of land, and they will tie into the existing power lines. They will net \$715,000 tax revenue over 10 years. They want to be involved in the community. They are hoping to be up and running and selling energy to the power grid by 2027. Commissioner Dillard made a motion to take no action at this time, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried 4-0. See Exhibits “B” and “C”

CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE APPLICATION FOR PIPELINE UTILITY/COMMUNICATION PERMIT, GREG MATSCHEK – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Greg Matschek was not able to be here. The line will be run on CR 1520 by Eola. Commissioner Gully made a motion to approve the application for Greg Matschek, duly seconded by Commissioner Gierisch. Motion carried 4-0. See Exhibit “D”

CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE ESTABLISHING A COURTHOUSE RENOVATION COMMITTEE – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

The Committee members will consist of Mrs. Hall, Commissioner Gierisch, Judge Dillard, Commissioner Dillard, and Commissioner Gully – this is subject to change. Commissioner Gierisch made the motion to approve the members of the Courthouse Renovation Committee, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried 4-0

CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE APPLICATION FOR PIPELINE UTILITY/COMMUNICATION PERMIT, CENTRAL TEXAS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., DREW MCCARN – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Drew was not present. Commissioner Dillard made a motion to approve the application for the communications permit for CTTC, duly seconded by Commissioner Gierisch. Motion carried 4-0. See Exhibit “E”



CONSIDER/DISCUSS/APPROVE SETTING HOURLY RATE FOR COUNTY EQUIPMENT AND OPERATOR – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Discussion about what local companies charge for work being done, and what the county charges. The commissioners want to go higher than the local companies, so the local companies will get the first choice. Motion was made by Commissioner Dillard to go \$25 higher than local companies on each type of work/machinery used, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. The rate for heavy equipment is set to \$200, \$150 for water truck and roller, and \$165 for hauling, plus the cost of material. Motion carried 4-0.

The court took a recess at 10:44 a.m. to read through the previous meetings' minutes and accounts payable.

The court went back into session at 11:04 a.m. after recess.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Commissioner Dillard made a motion to approve the minutes from June 25, 2024, as presented, duly seconded by Commissioner Gully. Motion carried 4-0.

RECEIVE COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Mrs. Gierisch submitted the Year-to-Date Trial Balance, the Summary Statement of Operations – Revenue, and the Summary Statement of Operations – Expenditures, the Certificate of Deposit report, the Pledged Securities reports from First National Bank of Wichita Falls and from First State Bank of Paint Rock. Commissioner Gully made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented, duly seconded by Commissioner Dillard. Motion carried 4-0. See Exhibits "F", "G", "H", "I", "J", and "K" respectively.

CONSIDER/APPROVE ALL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR CONCHO COUNTY – TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION

Mrs. Gierisch presented the monthly Accounts Payable Claim Register through July 8, 2024, with a total of \$226,877.91. Commissioner Gully made a motion to approve and pay all accounts due and owing by Concho County, duly seconded by Commissioner Dillard. Motion carried 4-0. See Exhibit "L".

REPORTS, INFORMATION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – NO ACTION TO BE TAKEN

Mrs. Gierisch has the Wildlife Services report, the Justice of the Peace Quarterly report, and the receivables from the Appraisal District broke down to – M&O, \$17,421.58; and SRB - \$3,499.40 the record. See Exhibit "M", "N", and "O" respectively.

Commissioner Gierisch has a phone number and name for a company that does courthouse renovations – JC Stout. He is waiting for a return call from him. He is currently working in Callahan County and his brother is the one who worked on Mason County courthouse.

Sheriff Frazier stated that he wants to be on the agenda for next commissioners court to have a directive in place to put any money from trade back vehicles to be used on what is owed on vehicles; not just back into the general fund. Also, if there are any monies left in the budget from the following budget year, let it roll over into the next upcoming budget year, or use toward the remaining balances.

Judge Dillard stated that budget time is coming up and he spoke with D'Andra Warlick, and she is hoping to get the budget rates by July 25th. We will be meeting after Commissioners Court on July 23rd. A 5% raise will be looked at for the employees this next year.

Mrs. Gierisch put together a report on the Pretrial expenses used thus far for the capital murder trial; it totals up to \$419,311.37. The trial is looking to be held in July of 2025. We will look at raising the budget from \$1 million to \$1.5 million for this trial.

The next Commissioners Court meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

There BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS OR ACTIONS to come before this regular session of the Commissioners Court, said session was adjourned by County Judge Dillard on this, the 9th day of June 2024, at 11:18 a.m.

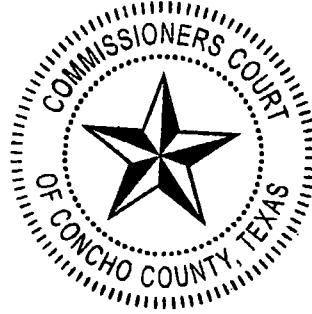
David Dillard
DAVID DILLARD, COUNTY JUDGE

ABSENT
TREY BRADSHAW, COMM., PCT #1

Eric Gully
ERIC GULLY, COMM., PCT #2

Gary Gierisch
GARY GIERISCH, COMM., PCT #3

Keith Dillard
KEITH DILLARD, COMM., PCT #4



CORRECT ATTEST:

Amber Hall
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COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO
CLERK OF COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
CONCHO COUNTY, TEXAS