

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
May 9, 2022

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session May 9, 2022 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, TX

Members present: Scott Lee, County Judge
Jerry Cooper, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Larkin Jumper, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Charlie Emerson, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Sam Young, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Betty Sue Allen, Marla White, Katie Stump, Lillie Bush-Reves, Linda Hammond, Katie Stump, Cathy Jumper, Melissa Clawson, Brantin Carr, Landon Ramsay, Ricky Jones, A. J. Bell, Richard Barrett, and Dennis Wade

Judge Lee called the meeting to order and offered prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

Public Comments: A. J. Bell with the Denton Cemetery Committee asked the court for help to finish work on the Denton Cemetery Road and thanked the court for previous work that had been done on the road. Commissioner Jumper reported work on that road could be done in the fall.

Agenda Item 1 - APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 7, 2022 SPECIAL SESSION - COUNTY CLERK – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the May 2, 2022 Special Session and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.
NOTE: The County Clerk noticed the agenda stated May 7, 2022 Special Session when preparing the Minutes. Clerk Crane will ask for the approval of the May 2, 2022 Special Session Minutes be put on the May 23, 2022 agenda for approval.

Agenda Item 2 - AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve all the claims against the county as presented and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 5/09/2022 – A**

Agenda Item 3 – SECOND READING: REPLAT LOTS 12A AND 9R-1 PHASE I SOUTH SHORES ADDITION – DENNIS L. WADE & CHRISTINE A. WADE AND RAY & HEATHER BALESTRI - Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the second reading of lots 12A and 9R-1 of Phase I in the South Shores Addition and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
See Plat Cabinet #334B

Agenda Item 4 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING FRANKLIN COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD'S REQUEST TO ADOPT RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2022 AS NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY - LINDA HAMMOND - Commissioner Cooper made a motion to approve the

Franklin County Child Welfare Board's request to adopt the Resolution Proclaiming May 2022 as National Foster Care Month in Franklin County and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Exhibit 5/09/2022- B

Agenda Item 5 – RECORD CERTIFICATE OF COURSE COMPLETION OF 2021 – 2022 TAC CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS TRAINING FOR THE FOLLOWING: MELISSA CLAWSON, JESSICA ESPARZA, CRISTI GONZALES, SUE HARPER AND JANET WHITE – COUNTY JUDGE - Judge Lee presented Certificates of Completion of TAC Cybersecurity Awareness Training for Melissa Clawson, Jessica Esparza, Cristi Gonzales, Sue Harper and Janet White to be put on record in the Minutes. Exhibit 5/09/2022 - C

Agenda Item 6 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING COMMISSIONER JERRY COOPER'S REQUEST TO ADD A FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE TO HIS ROAD CREW – PRECINCT 1 - Commissioner Cooper reported he had enough funds in his budget for a full-time employee to finish out the year. Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve Commissioner Cooper's request to add a full-time employee to his road crew and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Judge Lee reported he did not plan on doing pay raises this year since raises were given for 2022 budget year. He reported he wants to offer certificate pay for officers and CDL drivers as incentives. This will be discussed during budget. Judge Lee reported that he had received the preliminary report from the appraisal district, and the scale has gone up 24 percent before ARB. Judge Lee stated we need to discuss an Election Administrator position for next year because elections are a job in themselves and County Clerk Betty Crane agreed. Sheriff Jones reported an air conditioner had gone out and was not sure if it was still under warranty.

Agenda Item 7 – RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: THE COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS PER GOVERNMENT CODE SEC.551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO CONSIDER ACTION ON THREATENED OR PENDING LITIGATION – COUNTY JUDGE - Judge Lee recessed the meeting into Executive Session at **9:24 AM** as per Government Code Sec.551.071 for consultation with the attorney to consider action on threatened or pending litigation. Attending the Executive Session: County Judge Scott Lee, Commissioners Cooper, Jumper, Emerson, Young, County Attorney Landon Ramsay, Sheriff Ricky Jones and County Clerk Betty Crane.

Agenda Item 8 – RECONVENE OPEN MEETING – Judge Lee reconvened the meeting back into Open Session at 10:13 AM. No action taken.

Commissioner Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

I, Betty Crane, County Clerk certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of Commissioner's Court Regular meeting on May 9, 2022.

Witnessed and recorded this 9th day of May, 2022.

Betty Crane, County Clerk