

Franklin County Commissioners' Court  
Commissioner Court Minutes  
Regular Session  
January 9, 2023

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session January 9, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas.

Members present: Scott Lee, County Judge  
Jerry Cooper, Commissioner, Precinct 1  
Toby Godfrey, Commissioner, Precinct 2  
Charlie Emerson, Commissioner, Precinct 3  
Scott Smith, Commissioner, Precinct 4  
Brook Bussell, County Clerk

**VISITORS:** Paris Tillery, Chance Crane, Ricky Jones, Brantin Carr, Tim Dial, Marla White, Sue Ann Harper, Lisa Lawrence, Sarah Brod, Landon Ramsay, Robert Zinn, Lillie Bush-Reves, Velvet Coberley, Mike Millender, Katie Elliott, Tim McCormick, Ralph Robertson, Susan Olsen, Charlie Wilson, Kathy Boren, Gary Boren, Gary Morrow, Tom Austin, Betty Austin, and Mike Rambin

Judge Lee called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M., and Commissioner Smith offered prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

**Public Comments:** None

**Agenda Item 1 - APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 30, 2022 REGULAR SESSION – COUNTY CLERK -** Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the December 30, 2022 Regular Session Minutes and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 2 - AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER –** Treasurer Paris Tillery presented the claims against the county. Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve payment of the claims against the county as presented and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 - A**

**Agenda Item 3 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING MONTHLY REPORTS – TREASURER -** Treasurer Paris Tillery presented the October and November 2022 monthly reports. Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve of the October and November 2022 monthly reports and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 - B**

**Agenda Item 4 - FIRST READING: REPLAT LOTS 402R AND 403R OF THE PINE VALLEY SUBDIVISION – TIM MCCORMICK FOR TIM MCCORMICK AND BRAD HENKEL –** Commissioner Cooper made a motion to approve the first reading of the replat of lots 402R and 403R of the Pine Valley subdivision and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 5 – SECOND READING: REPLAT LOTS 2R-A AND 3R-A PHASE VI OF EAGLE POINT SUBDIVISION – RALPH ROBERTSON FOR ROBERT WOODWORTH, WOODWORTH LIVING TRUST, & ANDREW CUMMINGS** Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the second reading of the replat of lots 2R-A and 3R-A of the Eagle Point subdivision, and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Plat Cabinet # 337B**

**Agenda Item 6 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING COUNTY TREASURER DEPUTATIONS FOR TELISA NEWMAN AND CHANCE CRANE – TREASURER** Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the County Treasurer Deputations for Telisa Newman and Chance Crane, and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 - C**

**Agenda Item 7 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REMOVING BETTY SUE ALLEN AS SIGNATORY AUTHORITY ON ALL COUNTY TREASURER BANK ACCOUNTS AND ADDING PARIS TILLERY AND CHANCE CRANE AS SIGNATORY AUTHORITIES TO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS: GENERAL FUND, I&S, AND REVOLVING ECONOMIC – TREASURER** Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve removing Betty Sue Allen as signatory authority on all County Treasurer bank accounts, and adding Paris Tillery and Chance Crane as signatory authorities to the following accounts: General Fund, I & S, and Revolving Economic. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 8 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING COUNTY CLERK DEPUTATIONS FOR MARIE REDAR AND YESINIA VALENZUELA CASTRO – COUNTY CLERK** - Commissioner Godfrey made a motion to approve the County Clerk Deputations for Marie Redar and Yesinia Valenzuela Castro, and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 - D**

**Agenda Item 9 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REMOVING BETTY CRANE AS SIGNATORY AUTHORITY ON ALL COUNTY CLERK BANK ACCOUNTS AND ADDING MARIE REDAR AS SIGNATORY AUTHORITY TO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS: COUNTY CLERK OPERATING, SPECIAL CREDIT CARD/EFILE, AND CASH BOND – COUNTY CLERK** - Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve removing Betty Crane as signatory authority on all County Clerk bank accounts, and adding Marie Redar as signatory authority to the following accounts: County Clerk Operating, Special Credit Card/eFile, and Cash Bond. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 10 – RECORD CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT CERTIFYING BROOK BUSSELL’S COMPLETION OF TEXAS HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BIRTH REGISTRAR CERTIFICATION COURSE – COUNTY JUDGE** - Judge Lee presented Brook Bussell’s Certificate of Achievement certifying completion of the Texas Health & Human Services Birth Registrar Certification Course to be put on record within the Minutes. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 – E**

**Agenda Item 11 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING COUNTY CONSTABLE DEPUTATION FOR TIM DIAL – CONSTABLE** - Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the County Constable Deputation for Tim Dial, and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 - F**

**Agenda Item 12 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING AWARD OF BIDS FOR 2023 ROAD MATERIALS, CULVERTS, AND FUEL – TREASURER -**  
Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve awarding of bids for 2023 road materials, culverts, and fuel. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 – G**

**Agenda Item 13 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING COUNTYWIDE STANDARD RATE FOR CULVERT PRICING AND INSTALLATION – PRECINCT 3 -**  
Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve a countywide standard rate for culvert pricing and installation with the rate being double the cost of the culvert itself. Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Agenda Item 14 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING 2023 CYBER SECURITY ENROLLMENT AND TRAINING FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES THROUGH TAC – COUNTY AUDITOR –** Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the 2023 Cyber Security enrollment and training for Franklin County employees. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.  
**See Exhibit 01/09/2023 – H**

**Agenda Item 15 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN SULPHUR SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT, FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE, AND BEE COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR ACCESS TO A HOSTED SECURE FACILITY WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES AND NET DATA OR GHS SYSTEM/S AND GOVERNMENT SOFTWARE – COUNTY JUDGE –** Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Sulphur Springs Police Department, Franklin County Sheriff’s Office, and Bee County, Texas, for access to a hosted secure facility with Information Technology Resources and NET Data or GHS System/s and Government Software. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/09/2023 – I**

**Agenda Item 16 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING CHANGING THE FOLLOWING COUNTY POSITIONS FROM BEING PAID AN HOURLY WAGE TO A SALARIED WAGE WITHIN THE CURRENT BUDGETED SALARY CONSTRAINTS: LIBRARY DIRECTOR, ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR, AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR –** Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve changing the positions of Library Director, Elections Administrator, and Emergency Management Coordinator from being paid an hourly wage to a salaried wage within the current budget constraints. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION –** None

Commissioner Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:28 A.M.

I, Brook Bussell, County Clerk, certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of Commissioners’ Court Regular meeting on January 9, 2023.

Witnessed and recorded this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.

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Brook Bussell, County Clerk