

Franklin County Commissioners Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
June 24, 2024

The Franklin County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session June 24, 2024, at 9:00 AM 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: Marla White, Paris Tillery, Max Cannaday, Kathy Boren, Gary Boren, Mike Millender, Mary McLennan, and Bonnie McAllister.

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

Public Comments:

Mary McLennan - wind turbines in other counties, and potential road use agreements and tax abatements related to them.

Agenda Item 1 – APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 10, 2024 REGULAR SESSION AND JUNE 18, 2024 BUDGET WORKSHOP – COUNTY CLERK –

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item 2 – AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – COUNTY TREASURER –

Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve payment of the claims against the county as presented, and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – A

Agenda Item 3 – APPROVE MONTHLY REPORTS – COUNTY TREASURER –

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the monthly reports as presented. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – B

Agenda Item 4 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING RENEWAL OF TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES AUTO LIABILITY INSURANCE/PHYSICAL DAMAGE, GENERAL, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS LIABILITY INSURANCE AND PROPERTY/EQUIPMENT INSURANCE COVERAGE – COUNTY AUDITOR –

Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the renewal of the Texas Association of Counties insurance coverage as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cooper. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – C

Agenda Item 5 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE FUNDING FOR 2025 HOT TAX REQUESTS – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Cooper made a motion to table this item until the next regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Godfrey. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item 6 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE 2024 BUDGET AMENDMENT – COUNTY AUDITOR – Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the 2024 Budget Amendment, and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – D

Agenda Item 7 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION FOR CERTAIN EXPENSES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS – COUNTY AUDITOR – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the Reimbursement Resolution. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Godfrey. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – E

Agenda Item 8 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION APPROVING LISTING SURPLUS EQUIPMENT WITH AUCTIONEER EXPRESS – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve listing surplus equipment with Auctioneer Express. Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Agenda Item 9 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO INFRASTRUCTURE EQUIPMENT BY THE ARK-TEX COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS ON BEHALF OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, VIA THE SERI GRANT AND APPLICABLE LOCAL FUNDING MATCH OBLIGATION REQUIREMENTS – COUNTY JUDGE – The amount of the SERI Grant is \$54,599.00, and the local funding match amount is \$6,414.73. Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve the Resolution of the County of Franklin, Texas, Approving the Purchase and Installation of Radio Infrastructure Equipment by the Ark-Tex Council of Governments on Behalf of Franklin County, Texas, via the SERI Grant and Applicable Local Funding Match Obligation Requirements. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

See Exhibit 06/24/2024 – F

DISCUSSION:

- Road Use Agreements

Agenda Item 11 – ADJOURN – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Commissioner Godfrey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 AM.

I, Brook Bussell, County Clerk, certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of the Commissioners' Court Regular Session on June 24, 2024.

Witnessed and recorded this 25th day of June, 2024.

Brook Bussell, County Clerk