

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LEON**

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF LEON COUNTY, TEXAS**

On this the 22nd day of November 2021, the Commissioners Court of Leon County, Texas, met for its regularly scheduled meeting at 9:30 a.m. with the following members present:

Byron Ryder – County Judge
Joey Sullivan – Commissioner Pct. No. 1
David Ferguson – Commissioner Pct. No. 2
Kyle Workman – Commissioner Pct. No. 3
David Grimes – Commissioner Pct. No. 4

Together with County Clerk Christie Wakefield, serving as an ex-officio member of the Commissioners Court, Sheriff Kevin Ellis, County Attorney Keith Cook, and County Treasurer Brandi Hill.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH PRAYER AND PLEDGES.

Judge Ryder opened the meeting with prayer; pledges to the American and Texas flag were rendered.

2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CLAIMS DUE.

Commissioner Sullivan made the motion seconded by Commissioner Workman to accept the claims due.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

3. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

Commissioner Sullivan made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the minutes from the previous sessions.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE PAYROLL TO BE ISSUED.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the following payroll:

Nov. 19, 2021

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.

None submitted.

6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MOU TO MAINTAIN SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE TEAM (SART) FOR LEON COUNTY OR A REGIONAL SART.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the MOU.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION APPOINTING THE
LEON COUNTY ADULT SEXUAL RESPONSE TEAM.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the resolution and appointments.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REQUEST FOR \$2,000 TO COMPENSATE FOR THE SART MEETINGS.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON NEW COUNTY COURT PROBATE AND CIVIL FEES EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2022, PER SENATE BILL 41 – SUMMARY: CONSOLIDATES CIVIL NEW SUIT FEES TO CHANGE TO \$137 TO STATE AND (4213 CIVIL) (\$223 PROBATE) TO COUNTY IN ALL COURTS. RAISES COUNTY COURT ISSUANCE FEES TO DISTRICT COURT AMOUNTS. SETS ELECTRONIC FEES TO .10 PAGE, MINIMUM \$1; SETS APPEAL COPIES TO \$1 PER PAGE; AND, ELECTRONIC TO PAPER CONVERSION \$1 PER PAGE, THE CONSOLIDATED FEES INCLUDE AN INCREASE TO COURT SECURITY FEE FROM \$5 TO \$20; JURY FEE OF \$10 CHARGED ON EVERY CASE; COURT FACILITY FEE TO \$20; AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS CONSOLIDATED TO (\$30 CIVIL) (\$15 PROBATE) WITH ALL PLACED UNDER CLERK’S CONTROL (IDENTICAL TO CRIMINAL FEE.)

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the new fees for County Clerk’s office.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON NEW DISTRICT COURT FEES
EFFECTIVE JAN. 1, 2022, PER SENATE BILL 41.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the new fees for District Clerk's office.

MOTION CARRIED.

11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ARPA FUND LIMITATIONS.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to take no action.

MOTION CARRIED.

**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON POSSIBLE FUTURE BUDGET
AMENDMENTS BASED ON THE REDISTRICTING MAP IN LEON COUNTY.**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to select the 10-month option.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

**13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON NAMING THE NEW TIMBER
CREST RANCH SUBDIVISION ROADS (PR 3891, PR 3892, PR 3893 PR 3894.)**

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the new road names, but not to accept the roads into county maintenance at this time.

MOTION CARRIED.

14. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION RE-NAMING PRIVATE ROAD 3269 TO PR 3890, TO STAY WITHIN SEQUENCE FOR 911 RESPONSE. MR. COOGLER (LANDOWNER) IS IN AGREEANCE WITH THIS CHANGE, A LETTER WILL BE ISSUED.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to rename PR 3269 to PR 3890.

MOTION CARRIED.

15. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON WIDENING AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS FOR COUNTY ROADS 212, 268, 223, 213, 282, 284, 275, 277, 278, 232, 225, AND 236.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the widening, clearing, gate reconstructions and road improvements.

MOTION CARRIED.

16. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MOU BETWEEN LEON COUNTY AND ROBERTSON COUNTY FOR OUT OF COUNTY CONTRACT HOUSING OF OUR LEON COUNTY INMATES DUE TO OVERCROWDING IN THE JAIL.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the MOU.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

17. CLOSE REGULAR SESSION AND OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS).

Regular session closed at 10:12 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 22, 2021.

18. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. DISCUSS PERSONNEL AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

20. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

21. RESUME REGULAR SESSION.

Regular session resumed at 10:27 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 22, 2021.

22. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PERSONNEL AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to eliminate one full-time jailer position, and to create 2 part-time jailer positions, with a starting rate of \$15 per hour.

MOTION CARRIED.

23. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the presented budget amendments in the amount of \$263,137.60.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

24. LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve line item transfers in the amount of \$81,408.50.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

25. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY REPORTS PER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 114.044.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the following reports:

County Clerk:

District Clerk:

JP Precincts 1,2,4: Precinct 2, October 2021

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

26. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT AND AUTHORIZE AFFIDAVIT OF SAME, IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 114.026.

None submitted.

27. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DONATION(S) AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT(S):

None submitted.

28. PURCHASE AND/OR SELLING REQUESTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SELLING OLD TRAILER IN PCT. 3 FOR SCRAP.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to sell the old trailer by local newspaper advertisement.

MOTION CARRIED.

29. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

None submitted.

30. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.

None submitted.

31. ADJOURN

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2021.

Byron Ryder, County Judge

Joey Sullivan, Commissioner Pct. No. 1

David Ferguson, Commissioner Pct. No. 2

Kyle Workman, Commissioner Pct. No. 3

David Grimes, Commissioner Pct. No. 4

ATTEST:

Christie Wakefield, Leon County Clerk