

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LEON**

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

On this the 13th day of September 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 ABSENT
David Ferguson – Commissioner Pct. No. 2
Kyle Workman – Commissioner Pct. No. 3 ABSENT
David Grimes – Commissioner Pct. No. 4

Together with County Clerk Christie Wakefield, serving as an ex-officio member of the Commissioners Court, County Attorney Keith Cook, Sheriff Kevin Ellis, EOC Director Jimmy Carrigan, Health Resource Center Director Donna Danford, County Auditor Melissa Abney, 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 Ferguson made the motion seconded by Commissioner Grimes to accept the claims due.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

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

Commissioner Ferguson made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the minutes from the previous sessions.

MOTION CARRIED.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE PAYROLL TO BE ISSUED.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the following payrolls:

Aug. 27, 2021

Sept. 10, 2021

MOTION CARRIED.

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5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.

EOC Director Jimmy Carrigan updated the Court on the pending tropical storm and its path across East Texas.

6. RECOGNIZE RICK PRINGLE FOR HIS 46+ YEARS OF SERVICE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Judge Ryder acknowledged Mr. Pringle for his service and thanked him.

7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON BONNIE SWINDELL (CISD) USING THE SQUARE FOR A BENEFIT FOR A CENTERVILLE ELEMENTARY STUDENT ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2021, FROM 8 AM TO 5 PM.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the use of the square.

MOTION CARRIED.

**8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON HIRING KIMBERLY CERVANTES
AS THE NEW LEON COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER.**

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the appointment.

MOTION CARRIED.

**9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON AAA CONTRACT BETWEEN
BVCOG AND LEON COUNTY FOR CONGREGATE AND HOMEBOUND MEALS.**

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the contract.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RENAMING EXISTING PR 1280 TO PR 1271 OFF OF NORTH PR 1270 AND ADDING NEW PR 1280 THROUGH PR 1287 IN THE NEW WOODLAND HILLS RANCH SUBDIVISION.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ALLOWING MS SMITH JANITORIAL TO COVID CLEAN OFFICES ALL DAY AND USE ARPA FUNDS FOR THIS.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to allow the cleaning, with ARPA funds.

MOTION CARRIED.

12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH ALLISON, BASS, AND MAGEE TO DO AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SOLID WASTE IN LEON COUNTY.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CHARLIE PRICE BECOMING BVCAP BOARD MEMBER AT BVCOG.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the appointment.

MOTION CARRIED.

14. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING A POLICY ON HB2073.

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson approve the policy.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

15. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE CONTRACT FOR GRANT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES WITH GRANTWORKS.

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the contract, to be paid with ARPA funding.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

16. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE NEW AND OLD FEES FOR THE LEON COUNTY EXPO CENTER.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to make the following changes for electrical hook ups within the Expo center (excludes RV).

\$25 – 20-30 AMP

\$30 – 50 AMP

\$50 – 100 AMP

MOTION CARRIED.

17. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON AGENCY AGREEMENT BETWEEN LEON COUNTY AND LEADSONLINE FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the agreement effective October 1, 2021, with funds to be paid from the Sheriff's budget.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

18. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON FOLLOWING BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR SENIOR CENTER:**

- Gas, Oil and Grease

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON AMENDING SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET TO COVER THE OUT OF COUNTY INMATE HOUSING EXPENSES.**

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the amendment for the rest of the budget year, with funds to be taken from Contingency.

MOTION CARRIED.

19. LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the line item transfers in the amount of \$132,670.01.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

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

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the following reports:

County Clerk:

District Clerk: July 2021

JP Precincts 1,2,4: July 2021, August 2021

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

21. 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.

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the following reports:

August 2021

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

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

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON REIMBURSEMENT TO JAMES CALEB HENSON FOR PURCHASING DONUTS FOR GRAND JURY ON 6/16/21, 7/21/21, AND 8/11/21 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$181.25.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the reimbursement, with funds to be taken from Court Administration.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the August 2021 \$853 in donations to Senior Nutrition.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION SENIOR NUTRITION VEHICLE LEASE WITH ENTERPRISE LEASING

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to table this agenda item.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

24. CLOSE REGULAR SESSION AND OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 AND 551.074 (CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY AND PERSONNEL MATTERS.)

Regular session closed at 10:18 a.m. on Monday, Sept.13, 2021.

25. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

26. DISCUSS AND PERSONNEL MATTER DEALING WITH THE VICTIM ASSISTANT COORDINATOR (VAC) IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

27. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

28. RESUME REGULAR SESSION.

Regular session resumed at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 13, 2021.

29. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A PERSONNEL MATTER DEALING WITH THE VICTIM ASSISTANT COORDINATOR (VAC) IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to accept \$5,000 in PTI from the County Attorney, and place the \$5,000 for the part time salary of the VAC, with the balance to be paid from Contingency, from Sept. 1, 2021 to Sept. 1, 2022.

MOTION CARRIED.**30. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2**

None submitted.

31. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.**32. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson 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