

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF LEON**

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

On this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022, 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 Auditor Melissa Abney, County Attorney Keith Cook, County Treasurer Brandi Hill, EOC Director Jimmy Carrigan and District Attorney Caleb Henson.

**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 Ferguson to accept the claims due.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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

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

Jan. 14, 2022

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.**

None submitted.

**6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE RATIFICATION OF THE BURN BAN THAT WAS PUT INTO EFFECT FOR LEON COUNTY ON JANUARY 18, 2022.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to ratify the ban.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON MEALS FROM THE LOCAL CHURCHES.**

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to accept the meals.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION APPLYING FOR A TRANSPORTATION BUS FROM THE BRAZOS TRANSIT DISTRICT.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A VAN TO BE GIVEN TO US BY BRAZOS TRANSIT DISTRICT VIA TXDOT.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE 2021 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER  
INVESTMENT REPORT.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the report.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPY FOLLOWS)**

**11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON COVID PROCEDURES FOR LEON COUNTY.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to set the following COVID policy:

If an employee shows COVID symptoms and tests positive using a rapid test or PCR test (administered by a doctor, county nurse, EOC Director, or local pharmacy), the employee will be granted administrative leave for 5 calendar days. After the five calendar days, if the employee requires more time off, the employee shall use their own accrued sick time or vacation time.

If an employee shows COVID symptoms, does not report to work, and does not elect to be tested, the employee shall use their own accrued sick time or vacation time for the 5 calendar days.

VOTER BREAKDOWN:

Yes: Ryder, Sullivan, Grimes, Workman

No: Ferguson

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CONTRACTING WITH SPYGLASS.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**(COPIES FOLLOW)**

**13. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

None submitted.

**14. LINE ITEMS TRANSFERS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the line item transfers in the amount of \$43,753.64.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**15. 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 Grimes to approve the following reports:

County Clerk: December 2021

JP Precincts 1, 2 and 4: December 2021

JP Precinct 4: November 2021

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**16. 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.

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

None submitted.

**18. PURCHASE AND/OR SELLING REQUESTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.**

**A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASING AVENZA MAP PUBLISHER FOR 911 MAPPING DEPARTMENT.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.**

**B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASING (10) 44 x 60 NEW DISTRICT MAPS AND (10) 36 x 48 NEW DISTRICT MAPS. (TOTAL WILL BE LESS THAN \$500).**

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve the purchase of (20) 36 x 48 new district maps, to be expensed to the department requesting them.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**C. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON FUEL FOR TRANSPORTATION.**

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

**MOTION CARRIED.**



**D. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON SOLICITING BIDS FOR FENCING PROJECT AT TOWER SITES AND IN PRECINCT 3.**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to have the Auditor's office go for bids, including the Precinct 3 area, which also is a tower site. Commissioner Sullivan asked specifically for a bid from Hurricane Fencing.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**E. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING FOR CENTERVILLE TOWER TO HOUSE RADIO EQUIPMENT.**

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

Yes: Sullivan, Workman, Grimes, Ferguson

No: Ryder

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**19. CLOSE REGULAR SESSION UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS).**

Regular session closed at 10:23 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022.

**20. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**21. DISCUSS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.**

**22. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

**23. RESUME REGULAR MEETING.**

Regular session resumed at 10:40 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022.

**24. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES  
CONTRACT FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.**

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the additional \$40,000 for the professional services contract.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

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**25. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2**

None submitted.

**26. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.**

None submitted.

**27. ADJOURN**

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

**MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.**

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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**Byron Ryder, County Judge**

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**Joey Sullivan, Commissioner Pct. No. 1**

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**David Ferguson, Commissioner Pct. No. 2**

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**Kyle Workman, Commissioner Pct. No. 3**

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**David Grimes, Commissioner Pct. No. 4**

**ATTEST:**

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**Christie Wakefield, Leon County Clerk**