

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF LEON**

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

On this the 25th day of May 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, County Auditor Melissa Abney, County Treasurer Brandi Hill, Sheriff Kevin Ellis, County Attorney Keith Cook, District Attorney Caleb Henson and EOC Director Jimmy Carrigan.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH PRAYER AND PLEDGES.

Brother Dean Easterling with Calvary Baptist Church of Centerville opened the meeting with prayer; pledges to the American and Texas flag were rendered.

2. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON CLAIMS DUE.

- a. **Discuss and possibly take action on claims due (LGC 130.908, “Lame Duck”).**
- **Commissioner – Pct. 2**
 - **R&B, Pct. 2**
 - **Expo**
 - **Senior Center**
 - **Forestry – 2/3**
 - **Commissioner – Pct. 4**
 - **R&B, Pct. 4**
 - **Forestry 1/4**
 - **Justice of the Peace – Pct. 1**
 - **Justice of the Peace – Pct. 2**

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve the claims due and lame duck 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 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 May 20, 2022, payroll.

MOTON CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS #1.

None submitted.

6. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON LONE STAR LAND PARTNERS REQUEST OF A VARIANCE FROM THE 60-FOOT ROW REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY TO BE ABLE TO USE A 40-FOOT ACCESS ON PRIVATE ROAD 4110. (IF GRANTED, LONE STAR LAND PARTNERS WILL DONATE ALL MATERIALS INCLUDING ROAD BASE, CULVERTS, AND OIL SAND IN ORDER TO PAVE CR 417 UP TO PRIVATE ROAD 4110. LONE STAR LAND PARTNERS WILL ALSO PAVE PRIVATE ROAD 4110 AND ONCE IN THE SUBDIVISION, RESUME THE 60-FOOT ROW AND BUILD AND ROADS TO COUNTY SPECS.)

Commissioner Grimes made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to accept this variance.

MOTION CARRIED.

7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION OF OPPOSITION OF UNFUNDED MANDATES.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR THE TEXAS STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT LIABILITY INSURANCE.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to table this until a June meeting.

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ADJUSTMENTS TO SUBDIVISION CHECKLIST FOR LEON COUNTY.

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

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ACTIVE 911 ACCOUNT AND AUTHORIZED USERS.

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

MOTION CARRIED; ITEM TABLED.

Later in the meeting, Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the list, minus Mr. Shaddux and Addie.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ENGAGING FREE & ASSOCIATES TO PERFORM AN IMPROVEMENT SURVEY FOR THE JAIL RENOVATION.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Workman to approve paying Free & Associates up to \$6,500 from Contingency.

MOTION CARRIED.

13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON DEVELOPING AND ISSUING A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO PERFORM AN IMPROVEMENT SURVEY FOR THE JAIL RENOVATION.

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

MOTION CARRIED.

14. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve budget amendments in the amount of \$323,418.44.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A BUDGET INCREASE FOR ELECTIONS.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to allow Elections to use the unused funds of \$3,956.37 for expenditures with her department.

MOTION CARRIED.

B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON AGRILIFE EXTENSION OFFICE ASKING FOR ADDITIONAL MONEY ON THEIR BUDGET TO COVER UNEXPECTED EXPENSES.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to approve an additional \$8,150 from Contingency to their budget.

MOTION CARRIED.

15. 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 \$23,016.23.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

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

None submitted.

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

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MOTION CARRIED.

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

None submitted.

19. PURCHASE AND/OR SELLING REQUEST AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY.

A. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION GOING OUT FOR BIDS ON REPAIRS TO THE OLD COURTHOUSE (PAINT INSIDE/OUTSIDE, REPAIR WALLS INSIDE, RE-CAULK ALL WINDOWS, REPLACE WOOD WHERE NEEDED, ETC.)

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Grimes to engage Mark Thatcher, (with funds to be paid from Professional Services line item) to develop the provided list moving forward to bidding.

MOTION CARRIED.

(COPY FOLLOWS)

B. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON XEROX COPIER LEASE FOR THE TAX OFFICE.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sullivan to approve the agreement.

MOTION CARRIED.

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C. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PURCHASING A NEW TRACTOR AND BRUSH CUTTER FOR PCT. 1 AND PCT. 4 FORESTRY.

Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to approve the purchase of a tractor and brush cutter (with a swivel seat upgrade and protective framing) same as purchased earlier by Precincts 1 and 4, through the buy board, with Precincts 2 and 3 to fund their portion through their previous loan approved.

MOTION CARRIED.

D. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON BID TABULATION FOR IFB 2022-265A SALE OF BUILDING.

No bids were submitted. Commissioner Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to accept no bids.

MOTION CARRIED.

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

21. TIME 10:18 a.m. DATE: MAY 25, 2022.

22. OPEN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

23. DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS INVOLVING HOLIDAY TIME FOR AN EMPLOYEE AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

24. CLOSE EXECUTIVE SESSION.

25. RESUME REGULAR MEETING TIME 10:29 a.m. DATE: MAY 25, 2022.

26. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON PERSONNEL MATTERS INVOLVING HOLIDAY TIME FOR AN EMPLOYEE AT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

Commissioner Workman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson to extend the use of holiday time for that specific employee to Aug. 31, 2022.

MOTION CARRIED.

27. PUBLIC COMMENTS #2.

District Attorney Caleb Henson gave a brief update on the land for sale.

28. COMMISSIONERS OPEN FORUM.

No comments.

29. ADJOURN.

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

MOTION CARRIED; MEETING ADJOURNED.

SIGNED AND APPROVED this the _____ day of _____, 2022.

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