

**COMMISSIONER'S COURT**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**August 22, 2017**

The Hunt County Commissioner's Court met this day at 10:00 in regular session at 2700 Johnson Street, Greenville, Texas in the Auxiliary Courtroom.

**Invocation** was given by Commissioner Martin.

**Pledge of Allegiance** to the American was led by Jon Lunkwicz and Pledge to the Texas Flags was led by Judge Horn.

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

This meeting of the Hunt County Commissioner's Court was called to order by County Judge, John L. Horn, at 10:00 a.m.

**II. ROLL CALL**

The following were called and present: Commissioner Eric Evans, Precinct 1; Commissioner Tod McMahan, Precinct 2; Commissioner Phillip Martin, Precinct 3; Commissioner Jim Latham-Precinct 4; Judge John Horn-presiding; Jimmy Hamilton, Auditor and Christie Wooten, Chief Deputy for Jennifer Lindenzweig, County Clerk.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Court recessed Regular Session to enter into a Public Hearing as posted at 10:04 am:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Please be advised that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017, at 9:00 AM, in the Auxiliary Courtroom, at 2700 Johnson Street, Greenville, Texas, dates listed at end of notice, to discuss and possibly take action on:

1. A tax rate of \$0.512469 per \$100 valuation has been proposed for adoption by the governing body of Hunt County. This rate exceeds the lower of the effective or rollback tax rate, and state law requires that two public hearings be held by the governing body before adopting the proposed tax rate.

PROPOSED TAX RATE \$0.512469 per \$100

PRECEDING YEAR'S TAX RATE \$0.532469 per \$100

EFFECTIVE TAX RATE \$0.483839 per \$100

ROLLBACK TAX RATE \$0.538525 per \$100

The effective tax rate is the total tax rate needed to raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Hunt County from the same properties in both the 2016-2017 tax year and the 2017-2018 tax year.

The rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate that Hunt County may adopt before voters are entitled to petition for an election to limit the rate that may be approved to the rollback rate.

This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$ 2,113,955 (8.73%), and of that amount \$877,547 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE RATES CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

property tax amount = (rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

For assistance or detailed information about tax calculations, please contact:

Randy Wineinger  
Hunt County Tax Assessor Collector  
2500 Stonewall St  
Greenville, TX 75401  
(903)408-4000

You are urged to attend and express your views at the following public hearings on the proposed tax rate:

**First Hearing:** Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at 2700 Johnson St. Greenville, TX 75401.

**Second Hearing:** Friday, August 22, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at 2700 Johnson St. Greenville, TX 75401.

**Adoption of County Budget, Tax Rate and County Clerk's Record Archive Plan (during Regular Session):** Monday, August 28, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at 2700 Johnson St. Greenville, TX 75401.

This hearing is considered an Open Meeting, and shall be conducted as such, therefore the public is welcome to attend. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amanda L. Blankenship at 903-408-4146.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Court has received Orders from the District Judges in regard to the Court Bailiffs', Court Reporters' and Auditor's Office salaries which will be reflected in the salaries at the final public hearing. The Orders will be ratified at the next regular meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Court closed the Public Hearing at 10:09 am and returned to the Regular Session.

### **III. MINUTES-June 12-19, 2017 – Budget Workshops**

**July 28, 2017 – Salary Study Workshop**

**August 8, 2017 – Regular Session**

**August 16, 2017 – Public Hearing on Budget FY 2017-18**

**14,755** On the motion by Evans, second by McMahan, for the Court to approve the minutes as listed above as written; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**IV. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD-**During this portion of the meeting, citizens may speak for a maximum of three (3) minutes about any item not on the regular agenda. The Commissioner's Court may not respond or take any action on citizen comments.

\_\_\_\_\_ None

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. ACTION ITEMS** – Discuss and possibly take action on the following

1. None

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. CONSENT CALENDAR** – All items listed are considered to be routine by the Commissioners Court and will be enacted by one motion.

1. The renewal of Hunt County Annual Contract #020-08 for Vending Machines; effective September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018 with Buzz-By Vending – Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent

**14,756** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve all items listed under consent; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachment.**

**B. ACTION ITEMS** – Discuss and possibly take action on the following:

**14,757** On the motion by McMahan, second by Evans for the Court to approve recommending nominees Charlie Patterson and Tyson Cox for the Appraisal District Board of Directors-John L. Horn, County Judge; no one opposed **Motion carries. See attachment.**

**14,758** On the motion by Latham, second by Martin, for the Court to approve a Proclamation to designate Hunt County a Purple Heart County-Jon Lunkwicz, Sr. Vice Commander Department of Texas Military Order of the Purple Heart; no one opposed **Motion carries. See attachment**

**14,759** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve additional early voting hours for the November 7, 2017 Special Election and the Notice of Special of Special Election-Mina Cook, Elections Administrator; no one opposed **Motion carries. See attachment.**

**14,760** On the motion by Latham, second by Martin, for the Court to approve the polling locations for the November 7, 2017 Special Election-Mina Cook, Elections Administrator; no one opposed **Motion carries. See attachment.**

**14,761** On the motion by Evans, second by McMahan, for the Court to approve the renewal of the Hardware IT Support Level 2 Maintenance Agreement for Hunt County for period of October 1, 2017 through September 20, 2018 with NetData Corporation in the amount of \$12,000.00; to be paid from the Justice Court Technology Fund-Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent; no one opposed **Motion carries. See attachment.**

**14,762** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve the Treasurer's Report for July 2017-Delores Shelton, Treasurer; no one opposed **Motion carries.** *See attachment.*

**14,763** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve the request to re-route existing electrical power distribution facilities across county road Northshore Road in Precinct 3 with normal stipulations-Farmers Electric Cooperative; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**14,764** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve the Final Plat of Norton Estates, B. Fry Survey, Abstract No. 307, Hunt County, Texas, 2.393 Acres, an addition in Precinct 3-Owens Land Surveying; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**14,765** On the motion by McMahan, second by Evans, for the Court to approve the Final Plat for Quinlan North Switchyard Addition in Precinct 2-Brian Patrick, R-Delta Engineers, Inc.; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**14,766** On the motion by Latham, second by Martin, for the Court to approve accounts payable; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**14,767** On the motion by Evans, second by McMahan for the Court to approve line item transfers; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

**PAYROLL & PERSONNEL:**

**Jail count: 358**

<b><u>AG EXTENSION</u></b>	Remove Tracey Brent, 4-H Assistant, due to resignation. Effective 8/18/17.
<b><u>HWY PATROL</u></b>	Raise Jamie Petty, Secretary, to \$29,700.00. Effective 10/1/17.
<b><u>JAIL</u></b>	Add Kevin Gard, Detention Officer, at \$31,491.24. Effective 8/28/17.  Remove Joseph Henry, Jailer, due to resignation. Effective 8/18/17.  Add Cindy Scott, Detention Officer, at \$31,491.24. Effective 8/28/17.
<b><u>MAINTENANCE</u></b>	Add Gloria Anderson, Custodian, at \$26,660.00. Effective 8/28/17.

**14,768** On the motion by Martin, second by Latham, for the Court to approve payroll and personnel; no one opposed **Motion carries.** *See attachment.*

**14,769** On the motion by McMahan, second by Evans, for the Court to recess the Regular session and enter into Executive Session at 10:28 a.m.; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

## **VII. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS**

1. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2) Consultation with County Civil Attorney on agenda items requiring confidential, attorney/client advice necessitated by the deliberation or discussion of said items – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney
2. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2), Consult with Attorney Concerning any Pending or Contemplated Civil or Administrative Litigation by or against Hunt County including Volkswagen and Fiat lawsuits – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney
3. As permitted by Texas Government Code § 551.071 (1) and (2) Consultation with County Civil Attorney regarding sales tax repayment plan offer from Texas Comptroller and status of previous repayment plan – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney

**14,770** On the motion by Evans, second by McMahan, for the Court to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene in Regular Session at 10:54 a.m.; no one opposed **Motion carries.**

## **VIII. TAKE ANY ACTION ON ANY ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS NEEDED.**

\_\_\_\_\_ None

## **IX. ADJOURN**

**14,771** On the motion by McMahan, second by Evans, for the Court to adjourn at 10:55 a.m. No one opposed **Motion carries.**

Minutes approved the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Hunt County Judge

Attest:

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Hunt County Clerk