

COMMISSIONER'S COURT
Regular Session
April 25, 2023

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

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

This meeting of the Hunt County Commissioner's Court was called to order by Bobby Stovall, County Judge, at 10:01a.m. Invocation was given by Commissioner Martin, and the Pledges to the Flags were led by Judge Stovall.

II. ROLL CALL

The following were called and present: Commissioners Mark Hutchins, Precinct 1, Commissioner Phillip Martin, Precinct 3; Commissioner Steven Harrison, Precinct 4; Bobby Stovall, County Judge, presiding, Stacy Shel, Interim County Auditor and Becky Landrum, County Clerk were also present. Commissioner David Monroe was absent.

III. MINUTES

18,104 On the motion by Harrison, second by Martin, for the Court to approve the minutes of, April 11, 2023, Regular Session as written; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

IV. PUBLIC TESTIMONY Citizens are invited to address the Commissioner's Court on topics not already scheduled for a Public Hearing. Public Testimony may be made by e-mailing PublicComments@huntcounty.net. The public will be permitted to offer public comments telephonically as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. A recording of the telephonic/video meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act upon written request. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes and should conduct themselves in a civil manner. The Commissioner's Court cannot take action on items not listed on the agenda in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act. Concerns will be addressed by County Staff; they may be placed on a future agenda or addressed by some other course of response.

Speakers: None

V. OLD BUSINESS

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

Move to Action Item #3

1. The Hunt County delinquent tax collection update by Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP – Patrick S. McAuthur, Attorney

VI. NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Consent to enter into a Purchasing Cooperative Interlocal Agreement between Hunt County and City of Caddo Mills, TX for the purpose of Hunt County and City of Caddo Mills, TX to “piggyback” off of various good and services contracts between both County and City – Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent
2. Consent to purchase one (1) John Deer H310 Loader for a 6115D Tractor with Global to Skid Loader Adapter from United Ag & Turf in the amount of \$10,094.88, per Quote #28585871. Pricing per Sourcewell Cooperative Contract. Funding from Precinct 3 Equipment Funds 23-671-3800-4200 – Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent
3. Consent to purchase one (1) 2024 Chevrolet Traverse LT 1NC56, per Quote from Caldwell Country in the amount of \$37,670.00. Pricing per Buyboard Cooperative Contract #601-19. Funding from Hunt County Jail Commissary Funds 10-641-1900-3195 – Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent
4. Consent to purchase one (1) 2023 Erskine Mfg. Co. Inc. Brushgrapple per Quote #1651079, from RDO Equipment Co., in the amount of \$6,830.13. Funding from Precinct #3 Expendable Equipment Funds 23-671-3700-3410 – Cheryl Lowry, Purchasing Agent
5. The request to construct and placement of fiber which consist of aerial attachment to existing pole and placement of underground cable from tie points, set taps. This request is for CR 3705, which is in Hunt County, Texas. This request is for aerial/underground work in county ROW under normal stipulations in Precinct 3 – Spectrum

18,105 On the motion by Harrison, second by Martin, for the Court to approve Items 1-5 on the Consent Calendar; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

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

18,106 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the Court to approve the Accounts Payable; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

[18,107](#) On the motion by Harrison, second by Martin, for the Court to approve the Line-Item Transfers; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

[18,108](#) On the motion by Harrison, second by Hutchins, for the Court to approve the Budget Amendments; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

JAIL COUNT:285

PAYROLL & PERSONNEL:

<u>AUDITOR</u>	Remove Bruce Ballard due to termination effective 3-29-2023
<u>JAIL</u>	Remove Austin Cooley, DO due to resignation effective 5-2-2023 Add Talor Hawkins, DO, G-4, @ \$44,000.00 fulltime effective 5-1-2023
<u>PRECINCT 1 ROAD AND BRIDGE</u>	Add Grant Crowell, Equipment Operator, @ \$42,000.00 fulltime effective 5-1-2023
<u>PRECINCT 3 ROAD AND BRIDGE</u>	Raise Keva Neathery, Equipment Operator from \$45,329.00 to \$46,369.00 effective 4-17-2023 Raise Elijah Woffard, Equipment Operator from \$41,208.00 to \$42,248.00 effective 4-17-2023 Raise Phillip Staton, Driver from \$51,376.00 to \$52,416.00 effective 4-17-2023
<u>SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u>	Add Emily Hardin, Dispatcher, G-4, @ \$42,900.00 effective 5-1-2023

[18,109](#) On the motion by Hutchins, second by Martin, for the Court to approve Payroll and Personnel; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

[18,110](#) On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to accept the quarterly report for the Audie Murphy/Cotton Museum – Susan Lanning, Director; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

[18,111](#) On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for February 2023 – Brittini Turner, Treasurer; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

Update/No Action; Old Business Action Item #1. The Hunt County delinquent tax collection update by Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott, LLP – Patrick S. McAuthur, Attorney

[18,112](#) On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the authorizing public tax sale of Hunt County struck off properties pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code Section 34.05 – Patrick S. McAuthur, Tax Attorney; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

Action Item #8 Consider and possibly take action on Farmersville annexation in Hunt County, ETJ expansion, ETJ control agreement, and Municipal Development District election – Daniel Ray, Civil Attorney

Public Speakers: David and Terry Granberry, Pat Abramson, John Gootch, David White, Chris Barnard, Richard Hill, Angela Cottingham, Collin Clark, Linda Shipp, Kevin Kirkpatrick, Arnold Williams, Terry Jones – Hunt County Sheriff, Chris Russell, Sharon Banks, Jerod Crawley, Mike Lewis, Craig Moulder, Brian Bymister

18,113 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the Court to Adjourn to Executive Session on Items 1-4 at 11:23 am; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

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; American Rescue Plan discussion; FY 2023/2024 budget; enterprise; office facility management; jail building discussion; Farmersville annexation, ETJ and MDD election; exchange building leases; animal shelter; Junkyard Ordinance; Spectrum; Frontier Communication; Big Rack Ranch; Legislative update; office infrastructure planning and land purchase; information management contract; architect RFQ; road damage & health & safety violations to County Road 4510 & surrounding areas; Hayes Estates Subdivision; APAR engineer consultant contract; Black Jack recycling variance request; Hunt County subdivision regulations; road naming policy resolution; County wide Radio Communications; window restoration; accounting office; election administration staff; purchasing; Human Resources; employee health insurance – 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, Fiat, Lehman, Melton, and Johnson lawsuits, and discussion of action related to illegal subdivision and/or health and safety nuisances; CT Excavating; McAdow, Halbert; road damage & health & safety violations to County Road 4510 & surrounding areas – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney
3. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.071 (1) and (2) Consultation with County Civil Attorney regarding the disposition of

Hunt County property, and property which the County has a legal interest in – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney

4. As permitted by Texas Government Code §551.087 Consultation with County Civil Attorney regarding (1) Commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body is conducting development negotiation's; (2) Deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect – Daniel Ray, County Civil Attorney

ADJOURN TO REGULAR SESSION

_____ The Court exited Executive Session and returned to Regular Session at 12:20 pm

No Action Taken on Item #8

18,114 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to accept the TCDRS renewal for 2024 – Sandy Orange, Director of Human Resources/Risk Management; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

18,115 On the motion by Harrison, second by Martin, for the court to approve a request of a \$5,000.00 donation to the Hunt County Behavioral Health Leadership Team from the Hunt County's Sheriff Department. The monies would be from the federal forfeiture account, budget category – Support of Community Programs – Buddy Oxford, Chief Deputy; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

18,116 On the motion by Hutchins, second by Martin, for the court to Consider and approve the abandonment of CR 2321 that has been fenced off and unused for over 20 years. The entire length of the road is encompassed in Hunt CAD parcel ID # 34506 and meets all the statutory requirements for abandonment by unanimous vote of the commissioners. The abandonment is requested by Kenneth "Pooh" Dennis of TES-BIG RACK RANCH Inc. through Commissioner Monroe. See Resolution with Attached Exhibit A and the Farmers Electric Coop. notice letter for more information – Daniel Ray, Civil Attorney; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

18,117 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to Consider and approve increased dollar amount for Pct. 2 APAR Review and Submission to TCEQ by Ramboll Environmental – Daniel Ray, Civil Attorney; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

18,118 On the motion by Hutchins, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the request for permission to work within the county right of way along CR 1078. We are looking to install one new 40' class 3 wood pole, remove 1 existing wood pole under normal stipulations in Precinct 1 – Oncor Electric Delivery LLC; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

18,119 On the motion by Hutchins, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the request to construct electrical power distribution facilities which will be in the ROW of CR 2584 under normal stipulations in Precinct 2 – Farmers Electric Cooperative; no one opposed, **Motion carries. See attachments.**

Table to Old Business for next meeting

11. A variance for road surface for Private Road 3844 in Precinct 3 – Gary Scott

18,120 On the motion by Hutchins, second by Harrison, for the court to conditionally approve the final plat of Talley Estates in Precinct 1, upon the ROW being cleared – Andy & Connie Talley, Owners; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

18,121 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the final plat of Crawford 36 Addition in Precinct 2 – Danny Crawford; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

18,122 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the court to approve the final plat of Stewart Addition in Precinct 3 – John Smith, Owner; no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS NEEDED

18,123 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the Court to Adjourn to Executive Session at 12:50 pm; 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; American Rescue Plan discussion; FY 2023/2024 budget; enterprise; office facility management; jail building discussion; Farmersville annexation, ETJ and MDD election; exchange building leases; animal shelter; Junkyard Ordinance; Spectrum; Frontier Communication; Big Rack Ranch; Legislative update; office infrastructure planning and land purchase; information management contract; architect RFQ; road damage & health & safety violations to County Road 4510 & surrounding areas; Hayes Estates Subdivision; APAR engineer consultant contract; Black Jack recycling variance request; Hunt County subdivision regulations; road naming policy resolution; County wide Radio Communications;

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ADJOURN TO REGULAR SESSION

_____ The Court exited Executive Session and returned to Regular Session at 1:13pm

VIII. Take Action on any Item Discussed in Executive Session as needed.

None

ADJOURN

18,124 On the motion by Martin, second by Harrison, for the Court to adjourn at 1:13p.m. on April 25,2023, no one opposed, **Motion carries.**

I hereby attest to the accu



Becky Landrum
Hunt County Clerk



