



ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE BOARD

Hon. Todd Little, Ellis County Judge
Hon. Bob Carroll, 40th District Court
Hon. William Wallace, 378th District Court
Hon. Cindy Ermatinger, 443rd District Court
Hon. Jim Chapman, County Court at Law No. 1
Hon. Gene Calvert, County Court at Law No. 2
Hon. Joe Gallo, County Court at Law No. 3

AGENDA

ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE BOARD MEETING

MAY 19, 2021

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Juvenile Board will be held on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. in the courtroom of the 40th Judicial District Court located at 109 South Jackson Street, Waxahachie, Texas, and will be open to the public by appearing in-person and/or via WebEx. The following matters will be discussed, considered, accepted, approved, acted upon, and/or passed during the meeting:

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. MINUTES FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:
 - A. Regular meeting held on April 21, 2021 – Judge Carroll
 - B. Special meeting held on May 5, 2021 – Judge Carroll
- III. MONTHLY UPDATE ON DEPARTMENT'S FINANCIAL STATUS:
 - A. Monthly Expenditures Report (April 2021) – passed to June meeting.
- IV. UPDATE ON THE USE OF THE ELLIS COUNTY SHORT-TERM JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY AS A TEMPORARY DETENTION FACILITY DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC – CHELSEA SMITH
- V. RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENTS (APRIL 2021) – passed to June meeting.

- VI. MONITORING REPORT (APRIL 2021) – passed to June meeting.
- VII. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS PERTAINING TO ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES – RAY RIKE, CHELSEA SMITH, AND/OR JUDGE CARROLL:
- A. No contracts submitted for consideration/approval.
- VIII. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (JJAEP) and/or THE ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE DEPARTMENT – JUDGE LITTLE, CHELSEA SMITH, JANET MARTIN, RAY RIKE, AND JUDGE CARROLL:
- A. General discussion regarding the Ellis County JJAEP.
- B. Status of the Ellis County JJAEP Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Ellis County Juvenile Board and the following School Districts, including without limitation an acknowledgment of those School Districts that have returned an approved/signed MOU document:
- Avalon Independent School District
 - Ennis Independent School District
 - Ferris Independent School District
 - Italy Independent School District
 - Maypearl Independent School District
 - Midlothian Independent School District
 - Milford Independent School District
 - Palmer Independent School District
 - Red Oak Independent School District
 - Waxahachie Independent School District
- C. Combined: (i) discussion by the County Auditor Janet Martin regarding the discrepancy between the current fiscal year budget previously approved by the Juvenile Department and the current fiscal year budget of the Juvenile Department as published; and (ii) authorization for the County Auditor Janet Martin to inform the Ellis County Commissioners Court and provide notice of any corrective measures.
- D. Combined: (i) consideration and approval to establish two full time teacher positions for the Ellis County JJAEP, along with related salaries/benefits; (ii) consideration and approval to post, interview, and hire two full time teachers for the Ellis County JJAEP; (iii) consideration and approval to establish one part time teacher position for the Ellis County JJAEP, along with related wage rate; (iv) consideration and approval to post, interview and hire one part time teacher for the Ellis County JJAEP; (v) consideration and approval to establish line items within the previously-approved current fiscal year JJAEP budget (being a portion of the overall previously-approved current fiscal year Juvenile Department Budget) to the extent

necessary to facilitate any and all of the preceding items; and (vi) to the extent necessary, have the Ellis County Auditor and/or other necessary persons submit the preceding full time and part time teacher positions to the Commissioners Court for final approval and ratification of the action taken by the Ellis County Juvenile Board.

- E. Consideration and approval to correct/amend the name of *Counselor to Compliance Coordinator* on the previously-approved current fiscal year JJAEP budget (being a portion of the overall previously-approved current fiscal year Juvenile Department Budget) – County Auditor Janet Martin.

IX. RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

➤ **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. **Ellis County Juvenile Department Direct Chelsea Smith – deliberation of the duties of a public employee pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.**

THE ELLIS COUNTY JUVENILE BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT ANY TIME DURING THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE MATTERS LISTED IN THIS AGENDA, IN THE ORDER DEEMED APPROPRIATE AND TO THE EXTENT THOSE ITEMS FALL WITHIN THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS:

(A) to discuss advice about pending or contemplated litigation, a settlement offer, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Board under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas conflict with the Texas Open Meeting Act, pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;

(B) to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, pursuant to Section 551.072, Texas Government Code;

(C) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, duties, reassignment, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear complaint or charge against an officer or employee pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code;

(D) to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions to implement security personnel or devices, or a security audit pursuant to Section 551.076, Texas Government Code; and

(E) to deliberate the business and financial issues related to a contract being negotiated, pursuant to Section 551.0725, Texas Government Code.

➤ **ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- X. CONFIRMATION OF FUTURE JUVENILE BOARD MEETING DATES AND TIMES – JUDGE CARROLL
- XI. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

SIGNED ON: May 14, 2021.

 /s/ Bob Carroll
JUDGE BOB CARROLL

- *Public Comment – this section provides the public the opportunity to address the Ellis County Juvenile Board regarding any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must present a written public participation request to the Secretary of the Board, or his/her representative, at least 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.*
- *The Ellis County Juvenile Board reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.*
- *If you or your designee have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please call 972-825-5060 within 48 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.*