

ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
OFFICIAL MINUTES – AUGUST 23, 2022

THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MET ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022, AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE HISTORIC ELLIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (2ND FLOOR) 101 W. MAIN STREET, WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING WAS DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED, TO-WIT:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

COUNTY JUDGE: TODD LITTLE

COUNTY CLERK: KRystal VALDEZ

COMMISSIONERS:

RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4

OPENING COURT:

COUNTY JUDGE CALLS MEETING TO ORDER, DECLARES QUORUM AND DECLARES NOTICES LEGALLY POSTED PURSUANT TO OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

MOTION TO OPEN COURT BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, MOTION CARRIED

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. – *RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1*

CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTE ORDER 388.22

ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A1 APPROVING REGULAR BILLS, PAYROLL AND OFFICER'S REPORTS. – *CHERYL CHAMBERS, TREASURER*
- A2 APPROVING COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM AUGUST 9, 2022. – *KRYSTAL VALDEZ, COUNTY CLERK*
- A3 PURSUANT TO TEXAS HEALTH & SAFETY CODE §775.082, ACCEPTING THE ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT OF THE FISCAL ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS OF THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT(S) IN ELLIS COUNTY: ESD #6 (WAXAHACHIE). – *TIM BIRDWELL, FIRE MARSHAL*
- A4 ACCEPTING THE CASH AUDIT REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2021, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 115. – *DEVONDA SPURLOCK, ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR*
- A5 ACCEPTING A TABULATED REPORT OF THE COUNTY'S RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF FUNDS FROM AUGUST 2ND 2022 THROUGH AUGUST 12TH 2022, PURSUANT TO LGC §114.024. – *JANET MARTIN, COUNTY AUDITOR*

- A6 ACCEPTING THE JUNE 2022 MONTHLY REPORT BY THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §114.044. – STEVE EGAN, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4
- A7 ACCEPTING THE JULY 2022 MONTHLY REPORT BY THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §114.044. – STEVE EGAN, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4

FINANCIAL:

- F1 ACCEPTING 1900 READING BOOKS TO THE ELLIS COUNTY JAIL INMATE LIBRARY CART BY ANTHONY THORNTON WITH ESTIMATED VALUE OF \$7,600.00. – JANET MARTIN, COUNTY AUDITOR
- F2 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – MARK ARNOLD, TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE DIRECTOR
DECREASE 001-0050-508680 (CONTRACT SERVICES) BY \$50.00;
DECREASE 001-0050-507030 (TELEPHONE) BY \$1,500.00;
INCREASE 001-0050-508840 (AUTO INSURANCE) BY \$50.00;
INCREASE 001-0050-508430 (4H TRAVEL) BY \$1,500.00.
- F3 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – TED KANTOR, ENGINEERING DIRECTOR
DECREASE 001-0375-508680 (CONTRACT SERVICES) \$1,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0375-509330 (CONSULTANT) BY \$1,200.00;
INCREASE 001-0375-508010 (SUPPLIES) BY \$1,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0375-508020 (EQUIPMENT) BY \$1,200.00.
- F4 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – KEITH ROBERT, MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR
DECREASE 001-0020-507070 (BURGLAR ALARM) BY \$1,500.00;
DECREASE 001-0020-507050 (ELEVATOR) BY \$700.00;
DECREASE 001-0020-508070 (OPERATING EXPENSES) BY \$1,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0200-507030 (TELEPHONE) BY \$500.00;
INCREASE 001-0020-507020 (REPAIRS) BY \$3,700.00.
- F5 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – CHERYL CHAMBERS, COUNTY TREASURER
DECREASE 001-0400-508350 (TRAINING) BY \$1,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0400-508020 (EQUIPMENT) BY \$400.00;
DECREASE 001-0040-508190 (COMPUTER) BY \$1,600.00;
INCREASE 001-0400-508060 (CONFERENCE) BY \$3,000.00.
- F6 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE
DECREASE 001-0140-570020 (CONTINGENCY) BY \$500,000.00;
DECREASE 020-0920-570000 (CONTINGENCY) BY \$150,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0110-508130 (INMATE MEDICAL) BY \$650,000.00.
- F7 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE
DECREASE 001-0390-508190 (COMPUTER EQUIPMENT) BY \$600.00;
DECREASE 001-0390-508010 (SUPPLY) BY \$300.00;
INCREASE 001-0390-508680 (CONTRACT SERVICES BY \$600.00;
INCREASE 001-0390-508730 (MAINT/RSP/OFC EQUIP) BY \$300.00.
- F8 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE
DECREASE 001-0140-507030 (TELEPHONE) BY \$27,750.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-570000 (CONTINGENCY SURPLUS) BY \$40,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-508880 (COMPUTER SOFTWARE) BY \$40,000.00;

DECREASE 001-0140-508030 (FURNITURE) BY \$20,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-508315 (CIVIL ATTORNEY) BY \$65,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-508190 (COMPUTER EQUIPMENT) BY \$10,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-507080 (COMPREHENSIVE INS) BY \$130,000.00;
DECREASE 001-0140-505580 (CONTINGENCY RESERVE) BY \$105,750.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-509430 (REDISTRICTING) BY \$52,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-508680 (CONTRACT SERVICES) BY \$300,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-508660 (COMMUNITY SUPPORT) BY \$15,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-508220 (LEGAL FEES) BY \$35,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-508040 (POSTAGE) BY \$30,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0140-508020 (EQUIPMENT) BY \$6,500.00.

- F9 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *JANET MARTIN, COUNTY AUDITOR*
DECREASE 020-0920-570000 (CONTINGENCY SURPLUS) BY \$432,000.00;
INCREASE 068-0145-409920 (TRANSFER FROM GENERAL FUND) BY \$432,000.00.
- F10 FY2022 BUDGET AMENDMENT – *JANET MARTIN, COUNTY AUDITOR*
ACCEPT INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT FROM SEDGWICK CLAIMS MANAGEMENT/ARGONAUT INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,250.00. PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §111.0108, UNANTICIPATED REVENUE CERTIFIED BY COUNTY AUDITOR.
- F11 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2*
DECREASE 010-0653-508680 (FM CONTRACT LABOR) BY \$15,000.00;
INCREASE 010-0653-509090 (FM REPAIRS PARTS) BY \$15,000.00.
- F12 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *JANA ONYON, ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR*
DECREASE 001-0210-508480 (PART TIME SALARIES) BY \$9,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0210-508030 (FURNITURE/FIXTURES) BY \$2,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0210-508010 (SUPPLIES) BY \$5,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0210-506010 (TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT) BY \$200.00;
INCREASE 001-0210-508550 (VOTING EQUIPMENT) BY \$600.00;
INCREASE 001-0210-508050 (CONFERENCE) BY \$1,200.00.
- F13 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *MIKE JONES, CONSTABLE, PRECINCT 4*
DECREASE 001-0614-508050 (CONFERENCE) BY \$980.12;
DECREASE 001-0614-508350 (TRAINING) BY \$1,000.00;
INCREASE 001-0614-508090 (AUTOR REPAIRS) BY \$1,980.12.
- F14 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4*
DECREASE 012-0755-570000 (CONTINGENCY SURPLUS) BY \$10,000.00;
INCREASE 012-0755-509140 (SIGNS) BY \$10,000.00.
- F15 FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER – *RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1*
DECREASE 009-0602-509140 (FM1 SIGNS) BY \$5,000.00;
INCREASE 009-0602-509070 (FM1 TIRES) BY \$5,000.00.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

MINUTE ORDER 389.22 (1.1) **DENYING** A REQUEST FOR A ONE-TIME VARIANCE FOR PARCEL ID NO. 183651-6961 ENSIGN ROAD FROM VOLUME I, SECTION IV (A)(2)(RESIDENTIAL LOTS) OF THE SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TO ALLOW ONE (1) LOT WITHOUT MEETING THE MINIMUM ROAD FRONTAGE REQUIREMENT. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 3.00 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF ENSIGN ROAD, ± 3,770 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF ENSIGN ROAD AND CUMMINS CREEK ROAD, ENNIS, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 2.

PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS: SANDEEP PARUCHURI, ARLINGTON; ATCHAYYA PARUCHURI, ARLINGTON; JON LOSHINSKY, ENNIS; LESLIE TIDWELL, ENNIS; MIGUEL JIMENEZ, JR., DALLAS

MOTION TO DENY BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 390.22 (1.2) APPROVING A REPLAT OF BAKER BRANCH, LOTS 1A AND 2A. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 8.162 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF BAKERS BRANCH ROAD, ± 345 FEET NORTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF BAKERS BRANCH ROAD AND CURRY ROAD, IN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION (ETJ) OF THE CITY OF MAYPEARL, ROAD AND BRIDGE PCT. NO. 3.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 391.22 (1.3) APPROVING A FINAL PLAT OF LAZY J ACRES. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 5.207 ACRES OF LAND IN THE G. CASEY SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 248, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF OLD MAYPEARL ROAD ± 600 FEET EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF OLD MAYPEARL ROAD AND GREATHOUSE ROAD, WAXAHACHIE, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 3.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

NO ACTION (1.4) RECEIVE AN UPDATED ON THE PRELIMINARY 2022 FEMA FLOOD MAPS FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF ELLIS COUNTY.

PURCHASING

MINUTE ORDER 392.22 (2.1) DECLARING THE LISTED ITEMS AS SURPLUS TO BE DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 263; THESE ITEMS CAME FROM THE COUNTY CLERK, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT, SHERIFF'S OFFICE, TAX OFFICE AND IT DEPARTMENT:

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| 1 CAR LIFT | 55 CISCO DESK PHONES | 2 METAL/LATERAL CABINETS |
| 5 IBM ELECTRIC TYPEWRITERS | 10 DATE/TIME STAMP MACHINES | 10 LAPTOP COMPUTERS |
| 55 PRINTER/FAX/COPIERS | 1 STAND-UP SAFE | 25 CELLPHONES/HOT SPOTS |
| 75 MONITORS (FLATSCREEN & CRT) | 17 CASH DRAWERS | 3 PALLETS OF ASSORTED/MISC. OFC. EQP |
| 20 SERVER MODULES | 2 PLOTTER/PRINTERS | 125 DESKTOP CPU'S W/KEYBOARDS |

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE

MINUTE ORDER 393.22 (3.1) APPROVING A RESOLUTION CALLING UPON THE GOVERNOR OF TEXAS TO USE ALL NECESSARY MEANS TO PROTECT THE SOUTHERN BORDER FROM INVASION BY INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS POSING A SECURITY HAZARD FOR ELLIS COUNTY CITIZENS. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE AND PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3*

PUBLIC PARTICIPANTS: JOHN BURTON, WAX.; CARRIE BARAN, BOYD; KELLY BLACKBURN, WAX.; SHEENA RODRIGUEZ, EULESS; JIM KAUFFMAN, WAX.; JOSHUA SOUTHERLAND, WAX.; MARY LOU SHIPLEY, WAX.; HANNAH SOUTHERLAND, WAX.; BILL MAHAFFEY, WAX.; BEVERLY GATLIN, ITALY; MELODY ALLEN, WAX.; DANIEL SOUTHERLAND, WAX.; HARLON BOUNDS; RANDY BELLOMY, OVILLA; ASHLEY COLLINS, MIDLO.; PAULA ANZ, WAX.; DON GRIFFIN, RED OAK; KIM STURMAN, RED OAK; PENNY STORY, RED OAK; SYLVIA COULSON, WAX.; SAM BRYANT, MIDLO.; ISABEL BASORA, WAX.; RAINA EASLEY (NOT PRESENT), JAMES WASHINGTON, MIDLO.; KATHY PONCE, MAYPEARL; DANA ROWE; MIDLO.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

BREAK 3:41 P.M. – 3:49 P.M.

NO ACTION (3.2) INTRODUCTION OF EAGLE OAK RETREAT IN ITALY, TEXAS, BY FOUNDER MR. KEN FALKE, WHO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MR. ERIC FOWLER AND MRS. LILIAM WATANABE. – *ELLSWORTH HULING IV, VETERANS SERVICES DIRECTOR*

BREAK 5:05 P.M. – 5:09 P.M.

MINUTE ORDER 394.22 (3.3) APPROVING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH OLD FORT WORTH ROAD, LLC (HOME ZONE FURNITURE) REGARDING PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE MIDLOTHIAN COMMERCIAL-INDUSTRIAL TAX ABATEMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER 18, CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY ±54.538 ACRES. THE IMPROVEMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT GENERALLY CONSIST OF THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A ±700,000 SQUARE FOOT FACILITY FOR THE APPLICANT'S HEADQUARTERS AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER. THE ESTIMATED COSTS OF THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE AT LEAST \$55 MILLION. – *KYLE KINATEDER, MIDLOTHIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 395.22 (3.4) APPROVING FOR ADDITIONAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE FUNDING FOR THE ELLIS PRAIRIE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000.00 – *TED KANTOR, ENGINEERING DIRECTOR*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 396.22 (3.5) APPROVING TO POST A NOTICE OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF FOUR-WAY STOP SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF TISHOMINGO ROAD AND CATAWBA ROAD, LOCATED IN ELLIS COUNTY ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 4. – *TED KANTOR, ENGINEERING DIRECTOR*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 397.22 (3.6) APPROVING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2023 TAX RATE OF 0.295867 (INCLUDES M&O 0.259800; I&S 0.013201; F/M 0.022866). A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 20, 2022. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 398.22 (3.7) APPROVING THE PROPOSED ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES FOR POSTING. APPROVAL AND A VOTE ON ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2022. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 399.22 (3.8) APPROVING OF ARPA FUNDING PROCESSES AND FOCUS AREAS FOR PROPOSED ARPA PROGRAM APPLICANTS. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 400.22 (3.9) APPROVING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ENTER INTO AN ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES FOR A COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH; RECORDS MANAGEMENT; AND JAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC. WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$4,175,882.00 TO BE PAID OVER TEN YEARS AND AN INITIAL FIRST YEAR PAYMENT TO BE DETERMINED BY THE COURT (BUT NOT LESS THAN \$1,500,000), ALL SUBJECT TO LEGAL APPROVAL OF THE FINAL NEGOTIATED CONTRACT, CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

TABLED (3.10) DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND APPROVAL TO ENGAGE BERRY DUNN FOR THE NEXT PHASE (IMPLEMENTATION SERVICES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH; RECORDS MANAGEMENT; AND JAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) OF THE ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY SOFTWARE PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$529,152.00. – *TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE*

ADJOURNMENT 6:55 P.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON AUGUST 23, 2022,
ARE HEREBY APPROVED.

PRESIDING OFFICER:



TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE



RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 1



PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PCT 3

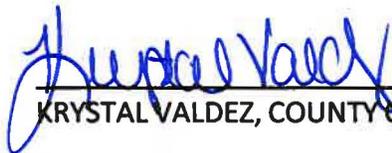


LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 2



KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PCT 4

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE THIS 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.



KRYSTAL VALDEZ, COUNTY CLERK

