

**Hall County, Texas**  
**Regular Commissioners' Court Meeting**

AUGUST 8, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE HALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING on **AUGUST 8, 2022** with the following members present: Ray Powell, County Judge, presiding; Ronny Wilson, Commissioner Precinct #1; Terry Lindsey, Commissioner Precinct #2; Gary Proffitt, Commissioner Precinct #3; Troy Glover, Commissioner Precinct #4; Kaci Mills, County Clerk; Pauline Johnsey, Judge's Assistant, Tom Heck, County Sheriff; Teresa Altman, County Tax Assessor/Collector; Janet Bridges, County Treasurer; Sherry Stone, County Justice of Peace; Luke Inman; District Attorney, Joe Dunn, and Bertha Dunn.

**1. Opening prayer.**

- a. The opening prayer was led by Commissioner Wilson.
- b. The meeting was called to order at 9:02 A.M. by Judge Ray Powell.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 11, 2022, CALLED MEETING OF JULY 26, 2022, AND CALLED MEETING OF AUGUST 2, 2022.**

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Wilson. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2022, Called Meeting of July 26, 2022, and Called Meeting of August 2, 2022.

**3. REPORTS OF:**

- a. **TREASURER** – Janet Bridges discussed report.
- b. **SHERIFF/EMC** – Tom Heck discussed report.
- c. **ROAD & BRIDGE** – Commissioner Terry Lindsey discussed report.
- d. **TAX A/C** – Teresa Altman discussed report and announced hiring Brittany Martinez.
- e. **COUNTY CLERK** – Kaci Mills discussed report and asked to put off until next meeting due to having questions about the totals.
- f. **J.P. REPORTS, PRECINTS** – Sherry Stone discussed report.

- g. **EXTENSION OFFICE** - Ryan Martin not present to discuss report.
- h. **TAX APPRAISAL** – Gina Chavira not present to discuss report.
- i. **JUDGE’S REPORT** - Judge Powell discussed report.

**4. APPROVE REPORTS**

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the reports and allow County Clerk Kaci Mills to research totals and give report at next meeting.

**5. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Wilson. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the payment of bills.

**6. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON BURN BAN (Currently on as of 7/11/22)**

No action taken. Burn ban to continue.

**7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 100<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2022-2023 CHAPTER 59 BUDGET.**

District Attorney Luke Inman presented \$1.3 million Chapter 59 budget. Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Wilson. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve 2022-2023 Chapter 59 budget.

**8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 100<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF 2022-2023 PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION BUDGET.**

District Attorney Luke Inman presented Pre-Trial Diversion budget. Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve 2022-2023 Pre-Trial Diversion budget.

**9. TAKE ACTION ON ORDERING GENERAL ELECTION**

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Glover.  
Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to order the  
November 8, 2022 General Election.

**10. TAKE ACTION ON SETTING SHERIFF'S FEES FOR 2023**

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey.  
Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve  
continuing Sheriff's fees as is for the 2022-2023 budget year.

**11. NICOLE MOORE WITH PANHANDLE REGIONAL PLANNING  
COMMISSION TO DISCUSS AVAILABLE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES  
WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROGRAM (ARP)**

No action taken due to Nicole Moore not present.

**12. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING FROM AMERICAN  
RESCUE PLAN FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS: PARTIAL PAYMENT OF COST OF  
CAMERA EQUIPMENT FOR SHERIFF AND DEPUTIES.**

Tom Heck, County Sheriff presented Court with a quote of \$69,406.60 from Axon  
for new equipment including body cameras, license plate readers, The quote  
includes installation and maintenance. Sheriff's office current equipment is  
outdated and has expired warranty. DA's office has agreed to pay half, up to  
\$40,000, for new equipment. Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second  
by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and it is the order  
of the court to approve partial payment of cost of camera equipment for  
sheriff and deputies.

**13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL FEES FOR TAX  
ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE FOR 2023.**

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Glover.  
Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve  
current fees continue for 2023.

**14. DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION ON USE OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, PURCHASES, OTHER COUNTY MATTERS, COUNTY WORK PROJECTS, EXTRA HELP OR HIRING OF ROAD EMPLOYEES ON COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES BY COMMISSIONERS IN EACH PRECINCT.**

Discussions included 1.) TXDOT offering new material to the county if they are in receipt of an email stating interest, 2.) equipment (dump truck, back hoe) needing repairs, 3.) Commissioner Glover requesting used guardrail for a bridge, 4.) bridge inspection is due soon, 5.) Commissioner Wilson requests RAP rock for a project, 6.) Pauline TO send letter to Warren Buffett in regards to funding for courthouse restoration project, 7.) possibly donate used and outdated Sheriff's equipment to another department in need, 8.) new contract with same terms/no change for Hall County Appraisal District to be renewed and signed by Judge Powell and Commissioner Lindsey.

Discussions were had, no action taken for items #1-7.

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve item #8, renewing Hall County Appraisal District contract with no changes by having Judge Powell and Commissioner Lindsey sign

**15. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No public comments at this time.

**16. BUDGET WORKSHOP TO INCLUDE DISCUSSION AND NECESSARY ACTION ON EXPENSES IN 2022-2023 BUDGET.**

Pauline discussed adjustments made to packet, public hearing to be held 08/29/22, increased contingency fund in Commissioners Court. ARP is not included in budget. No questions or concerns voiced at this time. No action taken.

17. ADJOURN

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Glover.  
Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to adjourn  
meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.



Kaci Mills  
Hall County Clerk

