Hall County, Texas Regular Commissioners' Court Meeting

JULY 11, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE HALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING on July 11, 2022 with the following members present: Ray Powell, County Judge, presiding; Terry Lindsey, Commissioner Precinct #2; Gary Proffitt, Commissioner Precinct #3; Troy Glover, Commissioner Precinct #4; and Pauline Johnsey, Judge's Assistant. Also present were Tom Heck, County Sheriff, and Jake Lawrence of Government Capital Securities Corporation. Ronny Wilson, Commissioner Precinct #1, was absent.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M.

1. OPENING PRAYER.

The opening prayer was led by Commissioner Lindsey.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 16, 2022 AND JUNE 13, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Proffitt, motion passed and It Is the Order of the Court to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 16, 2022, and the regular meeting of June 13, 2022.

3. REPORTS.

Reports of Treasurer, Sheriff/EMC, Road & Bridge, Tax Assessor-Collector, County Clerk; Justice of the Peace 1, 2, & 3; Extension Office: and Tax Appraisal District were presented.

4. APPROVE REPORTS.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey, second by Commissioner Proffitt, motion passed and It Is the Order of the Court to approve the monthly reports.

5. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS.

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Proffitt, motion passed and It Is the Order of the Court to approve the payment of the monthly bills.

6. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON BURN BAN. (Currently OFF as of 6-13-22)

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Proffitt, motion passed and It Is the Order of the Court to reinstate the burn ban until further action by the court.

7. DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON PLAN OPTION OF TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES HEALTH AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.

Motion by Judge Powell, second by Commissioner Lindsey, motion passed and It Is the Order of the Court to approve Plan 1200-G2 through Texas Association of Counties at a cost of \$997.94 per month for each employee covered by health benefits.

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REVIEW BY JAKE LAWRENCE OF PLAN FOR PURCHASE BY HALL COUNTY OF CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION THROUGH GOVERNMENT CAPITAL SECURITIES CORPORATION.

No action taken, discussion only.

9. DISCUSS PANHANDLE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AGREEMENT REGARDING ASSISTANCE WITH AVAILABLE FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN PROGRAM (ARP).

No action taken, discussion only.

10. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FOR OTHER PROJECTS.

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Lindsey, motion passed, and It Is the Order of the Court to approve purchase of a 22 foot trailer for Skid Steer from Western Equipment Company in Childress, Texas for bid price of \$7,200.00, less than the amount of up to \$15,000.00 previously approved.

11. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PUBLISHING PROPOSED SALARIES FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Motion by Judge Powell, second by Commissioner Lindsey, and It Is the Order of the Court to publish proposed salaries of elected officials in the newspaper.

12. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FIRE, AMBULANCE, AND SERVICE TRUCK (FAST) FUND.

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Proffitt, motion passed, and It Is the Order of the Court to approve the resolution authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Fire, Ambulance, and Service Truck (FAST) fund. (EXHIBIT A).

13. 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.

Discussion only, no action taken.

- 14. PUBLIC COMMENTS No comments voiced.
- 15. BUDGET WORKSHOP. Budget needs addressed, no action taken.
- 16. ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Commissioner Glover, second by Commissioner Lindsey, motion passed, and meeting adjourned at 12:45 P. M.

Pauline Johnsey, Adm. Asst. to Judge Ray Powell

EXHIBIT A

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HALL COUNTY, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE FIRE, AMBULANCE, AND SERVICE TRUCK (FAST) FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Hall County desires to develop a viable community, including decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low/moderate income; and

WHEREAS, certain conditions exist which represent a threat to the public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the best interests of Hall County to apply for funding under the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HALL COUNTY, TEXAS:

- 1. That a Texas Community Development Program application for the <u>Fire, Ambulance, and Service Truck (FAST) Fund</u> is hereby authorized to be filed on behalf of the County with the Texas Department of Agriculture.
- 2. That the County's application be placed in competition for funding under the <u>Fire</u>, <u>Ambulance</u>, and <u>Service Truck (FAST) Fund</u>.
- 3. That the application be up to \$750,000.00 of grant funds to purchase fire truck(s).
- 4. That the Commissioners Court directs and designates the County Judge as the County's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to act in all matters in connection with this application and the County's participation in the Texas Community Development Program.
 - The County Judge and County Clerk shall serve as the County's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to execute this application and any subsequent contractual documents;
 - The County Judge and County Clerk is authorized to execute environmental review documents between the Texas Department of Agriculture and Hall County; and
 - If this application is funded, the County Judge, County Clerk, and County Treasurer is authorized to execute the Request for Payment Form documents and/or other forms required for requesting funds to reimburse project costs.

That all funds will be used in accordance with all applicable federal, state, local and programmatic requirements including but not limited to procurement, environmental review, labor standards, real property acquisition, and civil rights requirements.



That it further be stated that Hall County is committing \$7,500 that shall be supplied by Hall County EMS within 30 days of Hall County receiving formal notice of funding (if selected) as a cash contribution toward the construction and administration activities of this ambulance(s) project.

Passed and approved this 11th day of July, 2022.

Ray Powell, County Judge Hall County, Texas

Attest:

Kaci Mills, County Clerk Hall County, Texas



