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

OCTOBER 11, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE HALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING on **OCTOBER 11, 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; Sherrie Stone, County Justice of Peace; and Ryan Martin, Extension Agent. Also in attendance were PRPC representatives Nicole Moore and Christian Campbell.

#### 1. Opening prayer.

- a. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Judge Ray Powell.
- b. The opening prayer was led by Commissioner Wilson.

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 8, 2022 AT 10:00, THE MEETING AT 12:00 NOON, AND THE BUDGET HEARING OF AUGUST 29, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Glover. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 8, 2022 at 10:00 A.M, the Called Meeting of August 8, 2022 at 12:00 P.M, and the Budget Hearing of August 29, 2022.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 12, 2022.

#### 4. REPORTS OF:

- 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. Teresa discussed plans for Christmas party as part of her report. Motion to approve Christmas party and scheduling of Commissioners Court made by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Wilson and It is the order of the court to approve the Christmas party to be held at Bertie Fannie on December 13, 2022 at 12:00 P.M. Commissioners Court meeting will be held prior to Christmas party on December 13, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. in Commissioners Court room.
- e. COUNTY CLERK Kaci Mills discussed report.
- f. J.P. REPORTS, PRECINTS Sherrie Stone discussed report.
- g. EXTENSION OFFICE Ryan Martin discussed report.
- h. TAX APPRAISAL Gina Chavira not present to discuss report.
- i. JUDGE'S REPORT No report.

#### 5. 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.

#### 6. 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.

### 7. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON BURN BAN (Currently OFF as of 09/12/22)

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Glover. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to reinstate the burn ban.

### 8. TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES FOR COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCTS.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve Election Judges Nancy Chastain, Memphis; Mary Flores, Lakeview; Mike Hughs, Estelline; and Frida Fuston, Turkey.

### 9. TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF 2023 HALL COUNTY RESOLUTION FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM. (Exhibit A)

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the 2023 Hall County Resolution for Indigent Defense Formula Grant Program.

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

Discussion only.

### 11. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FUNDING FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS. (Exhibit B)

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.

## 12. TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM FOSTER, LAMBERT, & FOARD, LLC FOR AUDIT SERVICES FOR YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2022.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the engagement letter from Foster, Lambert, & Foard, LLC for audit services for year ended September 30, 2022.

13. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INCREASING BUDGET FOR 5<sup>TH</sup> DISPATCHER/JAILER BEING PAID WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS TO 2.5% INCREASE ALONG WITH A \$0.25 PER HOUR INCREASE IN SALARY TO CONFORM WITH OTHER EMPLOYEES' SALARIES.

Motion by Judge Powell and second by Commissioner Glover. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the budget for 5<sup>th</sup> Dispatcher/Jailer salary to increase by 2.5% along with a \$0.25 per hour increase to conform with other employees' salaries to be paid with American Rescue Plan funds.

14. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY JUDGE'S DECISION TO BUY TWO MEMPHIS CYCLONE FLAGS FOR DISPLAY ON COURTHOUSE GROUNDS. TO BE PAID FROM CONTIGENCY FUND.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Wilson. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve purchase of two Memphis Cyclone flags at \$25.00 each for display on courthouse grounds and to be paid for from Contingency Fund.

15. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PANHANDLE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THEIR REGIONAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER. (EXHIBIT C)

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to approve the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Interlocal Agreement for use of their Regional Dispute Resolution Center.

16. DISCUSS, CONSIDER, AND TAKE NECESSARY ACTION ON USE OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS, PURCHASES, OTHER COUNTY MATTERS, COUNTY WORK PROJECTS, EXTRA HELP OR HIRING OF ROAD

### EMPLYEES ON COUNTY ROADS AND BRIDGES BY COMMISSIONERS IN EACH PRECINT.

Discussion only.

#### 17. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments voiced at this time.

#### 18. ADJOURN

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Proffitt. Motion passed, unanimously and It is the Order of the Court to adjourn at 11:58 A.M.

Kaci Mills

Hall County Clerk