HALL COUNTY, TEXAS

REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

August 12, 2024

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE HALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING ON August 12, 2024 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; Other County officials: Teresa Altman, Tax Assessor/Collector; Sherrie Stone, Justice of the Peace; Janet Bridges, County Treasurer; Dave Thomas, Sheriff's Deputy; Janet Bridges, County Treasurer; J.D. Schnitker, CEA; Judy Roten, Judge Assistant, Tom Heck, Sheriff. Citizens Bertha Dunn and Joe Dunn.

- 1. OPENING PRAYER
- a. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Judge Powell.
- b. The opening prayer was led by Terry Lindsey.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS REQUESTS

No Comments at this time.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 8, 2024 AND THE CALLED MEETING OF JULY 25, 2024 REGARDING THE COURTHOUSE RESTORATION UPDATE FROM PREMIER COMMERCIAL GROUP.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Proffitt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 8, 2024 and the called meeting of July 25, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

4. REPORTS OF:

- a. TREASURER BY Janet Bridges
- b. SHERIFF/EMC by Tom Heck
- c. ROAD & BRIDGE by Terry Lindsey
- d. TAX A/C by Teresa Altman
- e. COUNTY CLERK paper copy presented to court
- f. J.P. REPORTS by Sherrie Stone

 EXTENTION OFFICE Report by J.D. Schnitker

 TAX APPRAISAL Paper copy presented to court

 JUDGE'S REPORT No report
- 5. Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Glover and it is the order of the court to approve the reports. Motion passed unanimously.
- 6. APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Proffitt and Second by Commissioner Lindsey and it is the order of the court to approve the payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

7. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON BURN BAN. (CURRENTLY ON).

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Glover to leave the burn ban on. Motion passed unanimously.

8. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING THE 2024-2025 BUDGET AND FILING THE APPROVED BUDGET WITH THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

Motion made by Judge Powell that the Commissioners approve the 2024-2025 budget of \$2,359,639.00 and the proposed tax rate of .799051 per

\$100.00 evaluation and filing the budget with the County Clerk's office and second by Commissioner Lindsey. Motion passed unanimously.

9. APPROVE THE LEGAL NOTICE OF SALARY INCREASES TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE RED RIVER SUN AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Proffitt to approve the publication of salary increases in the Red River Sun. Motion passed unanimously.

BREAK FROM 11:05 TO 11:21

10. APPROVE THE 2025 SHERIFF'S FEES TO BE CHANGED OR TO STAY THE SAME. PER SHERIFF HECK, THE FEES WILL NOT CHANGE.

Motion by Commissioner Lindsey and second by Commissioner Proffitt to leave the Sheriff's fees the same. Motion passed unanimously.

11. APPROVE THE 100TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S ASSET FORFEITURE BUDGET FOR FY 2024-2025.

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Lindsey to approve the budget for the 100th Judicial District Attorney asset forfeiture for the year 2024-2025. Motion passed unanimously.

12. APPROVE THE 100TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S PRE-TRAIL DIVERSION FUND BUDGET FOR FY 2024-2025.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey to approve the budget for the 100th Judicial District Attorney pre-trail diversion fund for the year 2024-2025. Motion passed unanimously.

13. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SETTING THE DATE OF THE PUBLIC HEARING COVERING THE BUDGET AND TAX RATE. JUDGE POWELL SUGGESTED THE DATE OF AUGUST 26, 2024 @ 9 A.M.

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Lindsey to approve the date of August 26, 2024 @ 9 A.M. Motion passed unanimously.

14. DISCUSS AND TAKE ON REQUEST FROM SHERIFF HECK ON SB 22 GRANT FUNDING FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OR/JAIL.

No discussion at this time.

15.DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PURCHASING BODY ARMOR FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SHERIFF HECK INFORMED THE COURT THAT BODY ARMOR HAD BEEN APPROVED AT THE COST OF \$6002.00 AND THE 100TH DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE WILL REIMBURSE HALL COUNTY FOR THIS EXPENDITURE.

Motion by Judge Powell and second by Commissioner Lindsey to purchase the body armor and seek reimbursement from the 100^{TH} District Attorney Office. Motion passed unanimously.

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16. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATIONS FROM PRIVATE CITIZENS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DRONE. PER SHERIFF HECK, THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE RECEIVED A DONATION OF \$5000 AND A DONATION OF \$1000 AND A DONATION OF \$200 TO BE PUT TOWARDS A DRONE.

Motion by Commissioner Glover and second by Commissioner Wilson to allow the Sheriff's Office to accept donations from private citizens for the purchase of a drone. Motion passed unanimously.

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

No discussion.

18. ADJOURN

Motion by Commissioner Wilson and second by Commissioner Glover. Motion passed unanimously and it is the order of the court to adjourn meeting at 11:43 A.M.

Judy Roten

Administrative Assistant

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