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County Judge

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Commissioner Pct. #2

Krystal Valdez
Ellis County Clerk

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Commissioner Pct. #4

**NOTICE OF MEETING
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 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 will be discussed and considered, to-wit:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATED TO COVID-19 IN CONNECTION TO COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETINGS:

Visitors will be asked to review posted screening questions prior to entry. Pursuant to Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-29, visitors will be asked to keep at least six (6) feet apart from other members of the public and Ellis County staff.

OPENING COURT

County Judge will call meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act §551

Motion to open meeting

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Lane Grayson

PUBLIC COMMENT*- Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.

CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:

Administrative:

- A1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll and Officers' Reports. – *County Treasurer, Cheryl Chambers*
- A2 Approval of Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting Minutes from December 1, 2020. – *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- A3 Approval to add \$250.00 Bulk Data Download Fee to County Clerk Fee Schedule. - *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- A4 Acceptance of Ellis County Attorney Surety Bond, effective January 1, 2021 for a period of 4 years. – *Assistant District Attorney, Ann Montgomery*
- A5 Commissioners' Court to accept up to 8 benches donated by the Waxahachie Rotary Club, on the courthouse lawn. – *County Judge, Todd Little and District Judge, William Wallace*

Financial:

- F1 Present a tabulated report of the County's receipts and disbursements of funds from November 21, 2020 – December 7, 2020 pursuant to Local Government code §114.024. – *County Auditor, Janet Martin*
- F2 **FY2020-21 Budget Amendment:** INCREASE 043-0943-508070 Operating Expenditures - \$44,264.00; INCREASE 043-0943-401700 Transfer from General Fund - \$37,264. 00; INCREASE 043-0943-400660 Vitals Preservation \$7,000.00. – *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- F3 **FY2020-21 Budget Amendment:** INCREASE 001-0700-643943 Transfer to County Clerk Vitals Preservation - \$37,264.00; INCREASE 001-0010-406490 Fund Balance Carry Over – \$37,264.00. – *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- F4 **FY 2020-21 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 005-0703-570000 RB3 Contingency by \$80,000.00; INCREASE 005-0703-509120 RB3 Bridge Repair by \$80,000.00; DECREASE 011-0704-509120 FM3 Bridge Repair by \$69,859.96; INCREASE 011-0704-508020 FM3 Purchase Equipment by \$69,859.96. – *Commissioner Paul Perry, Precinct #3*
- F5 **FY 2020-21 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0140-505600 Comp/Fringe Liability by \$9,298.00; INCREASE 001-0385-505020 Salaries - Full Time by \$7,787.00; INCREASE 001-0385-505530 Social Security by \$596.00; INCREASE 001-0385-505540 Retirement by \$915.00. – *Judge Gene Calvert*
- F6 Approve the Department of Development's (DoD) monthly financial report for November 2020 pursuant to Local Government code §114.024. – *Alberto Mares*

REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, consideration, and action:

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

- 1.1 **Consideration and action of a plat of Lot 1 and 2, Van Carter Addition Final Plat.** The property contains ± 4.397 acres of land in the H.H. Swisher Survey, Abstract No. 955, located at the northeast intersection of Shaw Road and Cooke Road, in the extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Ennis, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2.
- 1.2 **Consideration and action of a plat of 7 MTZ Ranch.** The property contains ± 8.420 acres of land, in the A. Larrison Survey Abstract No. 614, ± 4,040 feet east of the intersection of Sutton Road and Hunsucker Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Red Oak, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1.

PURCHASING

- 2.1 Discussion, consideration and approval to purchase furniture and installation services for the 378th District Court (in relation to the County Court at Law # 3 Project), from Oak Cliff Office Products using the TIPS Cooperative Contract Number 200301 for \$80,792.98 and Omnia Partners Cooperative Contract Number R191804 for \$1,213.26. The total of the furniture and installation will be \$82,006.24. – *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.2 Consideration and approval to add Change Order #1 to Ford Audio-Video for additional services for County Court at Law 3 Courtroom finish out in an amount of \$804.00. – *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.3 Consideration and approval to renew the Inmate Communications Addendum Agreement for a renewal period of (3) years from January 6th, 2021 through January 5th, 2024. – *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.4 Discussion, consideration and approval to rescind the purchase of the Etnyre 7000-gallon Emulsion Tank from R.B. Everett & Co in the amount of \$71,146.00 for Road & Bridge Precinct 2 approved on November 3, 2020. – *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.5 Discussion, consideration and approval to purchase two 2020 Mack MP 8 Dump Trucks for Road and Bridge Precinct 2 in an amount of \$290,857.72 using HGACBuy Contract #HT06-20 with Grande Truck Center. – *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.6 Consideration and action to declare the listed vehicles, equipment and various items as surplus for Road & Bridge PCT #1 and to be disposed pursuant to Local Government code §263. - *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.7 Discussion, consideration and approval to rescind/terminate contract number 18/068MR-03, regarding Dunbar Armored services. - *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*
- 2.8 Discussion, consideration and approval for permission to bid armored services for the County Treasurer. - *Purchasing, E.J. Harbin*

ADMINISTRATIVE

- 3.1 Consideration and approval to enter into Agreement between the City of Ennis and Ellis County to Participate in Reinvestment Zone No. 3 (Hwy287 & Bardwell Lake). – *Mayor of Ennis, Angie Juenemann, and City of Ennis Manager, Marty Nelson*
- 3.2 Discuss and consider approving concurrent construction on Chambers Creek Flood Control Structures #10 and #11. – *Engineering, Ted Kantor*
- 3.3 Schedule a public hearing to authorize posting/advertisement of public notice of the intent to change the speed limit on Bluestem Way. – *Engineering, Ted Kantor*
- 3.4 Consideration and approval of the necessary renewals and new applicants for the County Historical Commission (CHC). – *Ellis County Judge, Todd Little*

Request approval to re-appoint the following County Historical Members for two-year terms beginning on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023:

Elmerine Bell, Jimmy Boon, Rex Carey, Karen Carreon, Bill Dodson, Karen Esberger, Sharan Farmer, Nancy Farrar, Bruce Fowler, Sugar Glaspy, Ty Hall, Judy Howard, Raymond Mosley, Carlene Perryman, Nancy Post, Shannon Smith, Sylvia Stanford Smith, Susie Toal and George Valdez.

Request approval to appoint the following new County Historical Members for two-year terms beginning on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023:

Andrea Calvery

- 3.5 Consideration and approval of the necessary renewals, new applicants and resignations for the following Emergency Service District (ESD) Board of Directors. – *Fire Marshall, Tim Birdwell*

Request approval to re-appoint the following ESD Board Members for two-year terms beginning on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022:

ESD#1 *Garry Harris; ESD#2 John Binford, and Ronald Russell; ESD#3 Vincente Guerrero and Albert Garcia; ESD#4 Steven Wakeland, Robert McMillan, and Brian Henson; ESD#5 Norman Heckathorn, Alfred Lemon, and Dallas Dial; ESD#6 Charles McCormack, William Howell, and Randy Johnston; ESD#7 Tammy Allen, and David Futral; ESD#9 Mike Greenlee, Danielle Vick, and John Hancock*

Request approval to appoint the following new applicants as ESD Board Members for two-year terms beginning on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022:

ESD#8 *Phillip Wooten, Robert D. Grimes and Stephen Isbell*

Request approval to accept the resignations of the following ESD Board member effective 12/31/2020: ESD#1 James Morrison; ESD#6 Tommy Hamilton; ESD#8 Carry Perry and Mark Donoho

- 3.6 Consideration and approval of Economic Development Program under Texas Local Government Code Section 381.004(b) and adoption of "Chapter 381 Economic Development Program Rules." – *Ellis County Judge, Todd Little*

- 3.7 Consideration and approval of entering into an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between County of Ellis and City of Pecan Hill; beginning January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. – *Ellis County Commissioner Pct.1, Randy Stinson*
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- 3.8 Consideration and approval of entering into an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between County of Ellis and City of Garrett; beginning January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. – *Ellis County Commissioner Pct.1, Randy Stinson*
- 3.9 Consideration and approval of entering into a Texas Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Program Contract, grant funds not to exceed \$378,882.00. – *Ellis County Commissioner Pct.1, Randy Stinson*
- 3.10 Consideration and approval of additional services quote from Everbridge for Smart Weather; additional feature will cost \$1,794.35 per year to the current Commissioners' Court approved contract of \$11,962.50 (without automatic alerts); total amount for the Everbridge with Smart Weather will be \$13,756.85 annually; Increase 001-0430-509780 Mass Notification System \$348.20; Decrease 001-0430-508680 Contract Services \$348.20. - *Emergency Management Coordinator, Samantha Pickett*
- 3.11 Discuss and consider implementation of additional social distancing guidelines regarding shared breakrooms in the historic courthouse, including posting notification signs at the entrance to each shared breakroom and modifying furniture to encourage compliance. – *Ellis County Commissioner Pct. 3, Paul Perry*

RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into **Executive Session** at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code 551, or to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551 or as otherwise may be permitted under 551.

- 4.1 Pursuant to Chapters 551.071 and 551.072 of the Government Code, consultation with legal counsel/staff regarding the purchase, sale or lease of real property; deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the County in negotiations with a third person.
- 4.2 Pursuant to Chapter 551.076 of the Government Code, deliberation regarding the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices regarding treasury deposits.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Signed this the 11th day of December, 2020.



Todd Little

Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11th day of December, 2020 at 3:12 a.m./p.m.



Krystal Valdez, County Clerk

By Jane Chambers, Deputy

- The Commissioners Court reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.
- If you or your representative, have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please contact the County Judge's Office at (972) 825-5011 within 72 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.



Krystal Valdez
ELLIS COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Notice is hereby given that a **Workshop** will be held on **Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.** in the **Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Commissioners' Courtroom (2nd Floor), 101 W. Main St., Waxahachie, TX**, at which time the following item will be discussed:

Workshop Agenda:

Discuss and receive presentation regarding the City of Ennis TIRZ #3 (Hwy287 & Bardwell Lake)

~ NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN ~

Signed this the 11th day of December, 2020.



Todd Little
Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Workshop Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11th day of December, 2020 at 3:12 P.M.

Krystal Valdez, County Clerk

By 

Deputy



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