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Ellis County Clerk

KYLE BUTLER
Commissioner Pct. #4

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 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 Kyle Butler

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 the Special Meeting Minutes from March 22, 2021; Regular Meeting Minutes from March 23, 2021. – *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- A3 Interlocal Cooperation Contract between County of Ellis and Waxahachie ISD, term agreement thru December 31, 2021. – *Commissioner Pct #4, Kyle Butler*
- A4 Consider and approve Judge Little to sign a contract for scanning services. Contract not to exceed \$10,000. – *County Judge, Todd Little*

A5 Acceptance of the Fire Marshal Monthly report for February 2021. – *Fire Marshall, Tim Birdwell*

Financial:

- F.1 Pursuant to Local Government Code §114.025, acceptance of County Auditor's Monthly Report for February 2021.
– *County Auditor, Janet Martin*
- F.2 Pursuant to Local Government Code §114.024, presentation of the County's receipts and disbursements of funds from March 16, 2021 – March 31, 2021. - *County Auditor, Janet Martin*
- F.3 **FY2020-21 Line Item Transfer**
DECREASE 009-0602-509130 FM1 – Chemicals by \$2500;
INCREASE 009-0602-509070 FM1 – Tires by \$2500. – *Commissioner Pct #1, Randy Stinson*
- F.4 **FY2020-21 Line Item Transfer**
DECREASE 001-0140-509030 Law Suit Settlement by \$10,000;
INCREASE 001-0010-508350 Employee Training by \$10,000. – *County Judge, Todd Little*
- F.5 **FY2020-21 Line Item Transfer**
DECREASE 001-0140-570000 Contingency – Surplus by \$10,000;
INCREASE 001-0140-508680 Contract Services by \$10,000. - *County Judge, Todd Little*
- F.6 **FY2020-21 Line Item Transfer**
DECREASE 011-0704-508070 FM3 – General Misc by \$60,000
INCREASE 011-0704-509090 – Repairs by \$60,000. – *Commissioner Pct #2, Paul Perry*
- F.7 Approval of salary supplement for the County Attorney office Employee, Bryan Norris, to be paid with funds received and transferred from the County & District Attorney State Apportionment Funds to the County Attorney Salary line items (including FICA, social security and retirement line items) in the following manner:
- (a) 2020-2021 \$3,587.04
(b) 2021-2022 \$4,500.00
- F.8 Approval of salary supplement for the County Attorney office Employee, Stacey Auvenshine, to be paid with funds received and transferred from the County & District Attorney State Apportionment Funds to the County Attorney Salary line items (including FICA, social security and retirement line items) in the following manner:
- (a) 2020-2021 \$.00
(b) 2021-2022 \$2,000.00
- F.9 Approval of salary supplement for the County Attorney office Employee, Jake Heffernan, to be paid with funds received and transferred from the County & District Attorney State Apportionment Funds to the County Attorney Salary line items (including FICA, social security and retirement line items) in the following manner:
- (a) 2020-2021 \$.00
(b) 2021-2022 \$1,445.00

- F.10 Approval of salary supplement for the County Attorney office Employee, Barbara Anglen, to be paid with funds received and transferred from the County & District Attorney State Apportionment Funds to the County Attorney Salary line items (including FICA, social security and retirement line items) in the following manner:
- (a) 2020-2021 \$.00
 - (b) 2021-2022 \$5,000.00

- F.11 Approval of salary supplement for the County Attorney office Employee, Joe Aguilar, to be paid with funds received and transferred from the County & District Attorney State Apportionment Funds to the County Attorney Salary line items (including FICA, social security and retirement line items) in the following manner:
- (a) 2020-2021 \$.00
 - (b) 2021-2022 \$2,000.00

REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, Consideration and action:

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

- 1.1 **Discussion, consideration and action for a one-time variance for the proposed Gibson Place (Parcel No. 192608) from Volume I, Section IV (B)(2) (Residential Lots) of the Subdivision & Development Standards to allow one (1) lot without meeting the minimum road frontage requirement.** The property contains ± 3.154 acres of land located on the south side of Gibson Road, ± 250 feet east of the intersection of Country Meadows Drive and Gibson Road, in the extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of Waxahachie, Road & Bridge Precinct No. 1.
- 1.2 **Discussion, consideration, and action on the conditionally-approved plat of Lot 1 and 2, Van Carter Addition.** The property contains ± 4.397 acres 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.
- 1.3 **Discussion, consideration, and action** regarding TCEQ’s receipt of applications from: (1) Waxahachie Creek, LLC for creation of the Ellis County MUD FM 984 and (2) Finch FP, Ltd. And Brian Edward Finch for the creation of Lakeview MUDs No. 1, 2, and 3. The applications have an associated 180-day review and processing time frame. During the technical review of the application, a public notice will be prepared and mailed to the applicant by the TCEQ’s Chief Clerk’s Office with instructions for publishing the notice in accordance with Texas Administrative Code 293. The notice will include instructions on the process to request a contested hearing on the application. Approval to submit request for a contested TCEQ hearing and engage legal representation to represent Ellis County in TCEQ proceedings.

PURCHASING

- 2.1 Discussion, consideration and approval for an Annual Update for our Fixed Asset Inventory in the amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, using Texas Association of School Boards BuyBoard Cooperative Contract number #579-19 with RCI.
- 2.2 Consideration and action to purchase three (3) 2022 Mack Pinnacle Dump Truck’s for Road and Bridge Precinct 1 in an amount of \$466,723.00 using HGACBuy Contract # HT06-20 with Grande Truck Center.
- 2.3 Approval of freight charges in the amount of \$ 1,540.22 for the WebEx equipment for the Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Precinct 2, Precinct 3, and Precinct 4.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- 3.1 Discussion, consideration, and approval of a budget amendment to create a new Emergency Management Specialist position for the Office of Emergency Management, amendment is due to a grave public necessity to meet an unusual and unforeseen condition that could not have been included in the original budget through the use of reasonably diligent thought and attention, pursuant to Local Gov't Code Sec. 111.010. – *Emergency Management Coordinator, Samantha Pickett*
- 3.2 Discussion, consideration and approval to allocate monies within the Ellis County Child Abuse Prevention Fund, per Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 102.0186; funds to be disbursed quarterly, 50% of funds to CASA and 50% to Ellis County Children's Advocacy Center. - *District Attorney's Office, Rebecca Lundberg*
- 3.3 Presentation regarding U.S. Census release of 2020 data and impact on the county redistricting and election obligations. – *David Mendez, Bickerstaff*
- 3.4 Discussion, consideration and approval of Engagement Agreement with Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP to provide redistricting services following the release of the 2020 U.S. Census. – *David Mendez, Bickerstaff*
- 3.5 Discussion, consideration and approval of an Order to Designate the Waxahachie Civic Center as a Temporary Auxiliary Courthouse pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 292.001; auxiliary courthouse will facilitate a safer, socially-distanced, environment for jury trial proceedings. – *County Judge, Todd Little*
- 3.6 Discussion, consideration and approval to enter into a Lease Agreement between the City of Waxahachie, Texas ("Civic Center") and Ellis County, Texas for the purpose providing a space to designate as a Temporary Auxiliary Courthouse, for a period of time ending December 1st, 2021, price of \$1,000/per day (2-3 days per month).– *County Judge, Todd Little*
- 3.7 Discussion, consideration, and approval of Resolution for Ellis County to support House Bill 4138 & Senate Bill 1828 to allow trucks to carry excess cargo weight on designated routes.

RECESS TO CONVENE TO 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 Chapter §551.071 of the Government Code, consultation with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation matter concerning election law, redistricting, and/or county government law questions.
- 4.2 Pursuant to Chapter §551.071 of the Government Code, consultation with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation matter concerning special districts and/or TCEQ's receipt of MUD applications.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Signed this the 15th day of April, 2021.

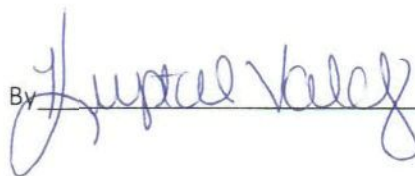


Todd Little
Ellis County Judge

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 15th day of April, 2021 at 11:09 a.m./p.m.

Krystal Valdez, County Clerk



By  , Deputy
County Clerk

- 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.