COMMISSIONER COURT
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2015

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference room located on the second floor of the Kaufman County Annex Building, 100 North Washington Street with the following members present to wit: **Bruce Wood**, County Judge; **Jimmy Joe Vrzalik,** Commissioner Precinct No. 1; **Skeet Phillips,** Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **Kenneth Schoen,** Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **Jakie Allen**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; **Laura Hughes,** County Clerk.

INVOCATION;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG;
REMARKS FROM VISITORS;

ITEM 1. **ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE**

City Sales Tax paperwork was handed out to public.

ITEM 2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Acceptance of the Minutes for October 12, 2015. *See Attachment.*
B. Approval of Deputations of Jared Jacks, Ashley M. Richeson, Landon R. Walker, Justin Kuykendall and Waylon D. Chamberlain for the Kaufman County Sheriff's Department. *See Attachments.*
C. Approval of Request from MacBee Special Utility District (SUD) to install and bore for a waterline on County Road 347 (CR 347), Kaufman County Precinct 3. *See Attachment.*
D. Acceptance of Project Agreements with the City of Post Oak Bend for road repairs on County Road 280 (CR 280) and County Road 281 (CR 281), Kaufman County Precinct 1. *See Attachments.*
E. Update regarding Trinity Materials donation and County Road 346 (CR 346) construction project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 3. **PRESENTATION OF AWARD**

There came on to be a Presentation of the 2015 Texas Comptroller Leadership Circle Platinum Member Award to Karen MacLeod, Kaufman County Auditor. *See Attachment.*

ITEM 4. **MOTION TO APPROVE DROPPING COUNTY BURN BAN**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve dropping the Kaufman County Burn Ban effective immediately, as presented by Randy Richards, Kaufman County Fire Marshal. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 5. **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT**

There came on to be a motion to accept Tax Assessor-Collector's Monthly Report for September 2015, as presented by Tonya Ratcliff, Tax Assessor-Collector. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 6. **MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve annual Hart Elections Contract and allowing County Judge to sign, as presented by Tonya Ratcliff, Tax Assessor-Collector. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 7. **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT**

There came on to be considered a motion to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for September 2015, as presented by Ronnie Oldfield, Treasurer. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 8. **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT**

There came on to be considered a motion to accept the Treasurer's Quarterly Report for July 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015, as presented by Ronnie Oldfield, Treasurer. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 9. **MOTION TO APPROVE COMMISSIONER COURT PROCEDURES**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the Kaufman County Commissioners Court Rules of Procedure Conduct and Decorum and Public Participation Form, utilizing the recommended Texas Association of Counties (TAC) forms, with specific changes made to Item 4. A. and Item 4. B. *See Attachments.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote with Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik, Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and Commissioner Skeet Phillips voting 'for' and Commissioner Jakie Allen and County Judge Bruce Wood voting 'against'. Motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 10. **MOTION TO APPROVE MOVING PAYROLL DUTIES**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve moving Payroll responsibilities from the Auditor's Office back to the County Treasurer's Office, as presented by Ronnie Oldfield, Treasurer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote with Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik, Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and Commissioner Skeet Phillips voting 'for' and Commissioner Jakie Allen and County Judge Bruce Wood voting 'against'. Motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

MOTION TO APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFER FOR MOVE

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Line Item transfer required to move Payroll responsibilities from the Auditor's Office to the County Treasurer's Office, as presented by Karen MacLeod, Auditor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 11. **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Resolution in support of Proposition 7, for Increased State Funding for Transportation, in the November 3, 2015 Constitutional Amendments Election. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 12. **MOTION TO APPROVE RELEASE OF ROAD BOND**

There came on to be considered a motion to release Road Bond back to Dawson Geophysical, Kaufman County Precinct 4, as presented by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 13. **MOTION TO ACCEPT RETIREE INSURANCE RENEWAL**

There came on to be considered to accept the 2016 United Healthcare Renewal Packet for Retiree Insurance with Texas Association of Counties (TAC), as presented by Lorie Floyd, H.R. Director. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 14. **MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS**

There came on to be considered to approve Appointments for Sick Leave Pool Panel Members, as presented by Lorie Floyd, H.R. Director. Members include: Jakie Allen, Commissioner Precinct 4; Rhonda Hughey, District Clerk; Leslie Odom, Assistant District Attorney; Angie Tijerina, County Judge's Administrative Assistant; Carla Stone, Jail Administrator and Lorie Floyd as Pool Administrator.

A motion was made Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 15. **MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET TRANSFERS**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a budget transfer for Justice of the Peace Precinct 4 to cover additional cost of $2800 for car allowance, which was determined by Salary Grievance Committee, as presented by Karen MacLeod, Auditor. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 16. **AMERICAN TRAFFIC SOLUTION UPDATE**

There came on to be an Update on the American Traffic Solutions (ATS) financial information through September 2015, as presented by Karen MacLeod, Auditor. *See Attachment.*

ITEM 17. **MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING REGULAR MEETING AND ENTERING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Regular Meeting and entering into an Executive Session, pursuant to Government Code §551.071; Attorney Consultation to discuss pending or contemplated litigation concerning the three (3) payments made to the Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, approved by Commissioners Court on October 12, 2015 and paid on October 15, 2015.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 18. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An Executive Session was held. County Judge has Certified Agenda.

ITEM 19. **MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ENTERING INTO REGULAR MEETING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Executive Session and entering into the Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 20. **MOTION TO TAKE NO ACTION**

There came on to be considered a motion to take no action from Executive Session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 21. **MOTION TO APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Line-Item Transfers, as presented by Karen Macleod, Auditor. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Joe Vrzalik and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 22. **MOTION TO APPROVE CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Claims for Payment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Kenneth Schoen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 23. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There came on to be considered a motion to adjourn Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Where upon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Laura Hughes, County Clerk of Kaufman County, Texas, do herby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

Laura Hughes, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas

Laura Hughes

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County Clerk