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State of Texas
County of Panola

BOBBIE DAVIS
COUNTY CLERK, PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS
BY B. Davis DEPUTY

On this 21st day of January, 2020, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting of the Court at 1:30 PM in the Commissioners' Courtroom of said County with the following members of the Court present:

Ronnie LaGrone	Commissioner, Precinct #1
David A. Cole	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Craig M. Lawless	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Dale LaGrone	Commissioner, Precinct #4

County Judge LeeAnn Jones was absent. Also attending were Bobbie Davis, County Clerk, and Vicki Heinkel, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge/County Commissioners' Coordinator. Attached to and made a part of these minutes is a list of other attendees and the office or organization that each represents. The following proceedings were held at this meeting, with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone presiding:

PRAYER: Commissioner David Cole gave the prayer.

OPEN MEETING:

1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were no citizen comments.

2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone reported that all repairs and improvements at the Exposition Building will be completed soon, in plenty of time for the Panola County Junior Livestock Show and other activities. In addition, the new storage building for Voter Registration is almost complete, and it will be used to store voting machines.

3. COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:

There was no County Judge's Report.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:

PERSONNEL

- a. To record a change in assignment for Jared Bailey from Senior Detention Officer to Patrol Deputy with the Panola County Sheriff's Department, effective January 1, 2020 at the rate of \$21.92 per hour.
- b. To record a change in assignment for Shelly Avery from Detention Officer to Senior Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department, effective January 1, 2020 at the rate of \$16.80 per hour.
- c. To record a change in assignment for Travis Wilson from Reserve Deputy to Patrol Deputy with the Panola County Sheriff's Department, effective January 8, 2020 at the rate of \$21.92 per hour.

- d. To record the employment of Vanessa Massey as a temporary employee in the Voter Registration Office effective February 18, 2020 and ending March 4, 2020 at the rate of \$10.00 per hour.
- e. To record an increase in salary to \$15.33 per hour for Lauren Rogers, Deputy Clerk in the Panola County Tax Assessor's Office effective January 20, 2020.
- f. To record the retaining of Craig Fletcher as a Special Prosecutor for Panola County to assist the Criminal District Attorney with the investigation and prosecution of Cause #2017-C-0317; #2017-C-052; and #2015-C-0208, effective January 6, 2020 at the rate of \$150 per hour plus expenses.
- g. To record the retaining of Gregg County Assistant Criminal District Attorney April Sikes as a Special Prosecutor to assist in the investigation and prosecution of defendant Gregory DeWayne Newson, effective January 8, 2020; and she will only be reimbursed for her expenses.
- h. To record the retaining of Collin Underwood as a Special Prosecutor to assist the Criminal District Attorney with the investigation and prosecution of Cause #2017-C-0268; #2017-C-0269; #2018-C-050; #2017-C-0319; #2017-C-0260; #2017-C-0261; #2017-C-0262; #2017-C-0271; #2017-C-0272 and #2017-C-0273, effective December 3, 2019 at the rate of \$150 per hour plus expenses.

ROAD & BRIDGE

- a. To approve and record a request by Eastex Telephone Co-op to bore fiber optic phone lines within the right-of-way of Panola County Roads #256, #257 and #258.
- b. To approve and record a request by XTO Energy, Inc. to place a 10" above ground waterline (lay flat in bar ditch) within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #307.
- c. To approve and record a request by BTA ETG Gathering LLC to place thirty (30) inch OD lines within the right-of-way of Panola County Roads #3123, #3121, #336, #3373, #3224, #331, #3311, #328, #3392, #335, #328, #337 (2), #338 (2), #339 (2), #326, #301, #401, #3101, #311 and #322.

MISCELLANEOUS

- a. To record Racial Profiling Report for Fiscal Year 2019 for Panola County Sheriff Kevin Lake.
- b. To record Racial Profiling Report for Fiscal Year 2019 for Panola County Constable, Precincts #1 and #4, Bryan Murff.
- c. To record Racial Profiling Report for Fiscal Year 2019 for Panola County Constable, Precincts #2 and #3, Charlie Blue.
- d. To ratify and record a date change from January 6 to January 7, 2020, effective date of employment for Raymond Smith, Driver, for Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #4.
- e. To approve and record 2019 Budget Amendment No. 24.
- f. To approve and record 2020 Budget Amendment No. 3.

- g. To ratify and record an agreement between East Texas Open Door, Inc. and Panola County.
- h. To record Statement of Officer and Oath of Office forms for Panola County Deputy Constable, Precincts #2 and #3, Jeremy Nagle.
- i. To record 2019 Certificate of Attendance from the County and District Clerks' Association of Texas for 20 hours of Continuing Education for Panola County Clerk Bobbie Davis.

REQUESTS FOR CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

- a. To approve and record a Request for Attendance at a Conference form(s) for the following Panola County elected official(s)/employee(s): Panola County Tax Assessor/Collector Holly Gibbs (2); Panola County Tax Assessor/Collector Chief Deputy Cassandra Brooks (2); PCSD Criminal Investigator James Ferris; Panola County Justice of the Peace, Precincts #1 and #4 David A. Gray; and Panola County Deputy Constable, Precincts #2 and #3, Jeremy Nagle.

Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent.

A COPY OF EACH LETTER, AMENDMENT, REQUEST, AND/OR BOND IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE A PART OF THE MINUTES.

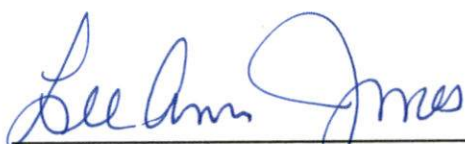
- 5. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County bills as prepared and submitted by the County Auditor. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 6. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County Payroll as prepared and submitted by the County Treasurer. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 7. Following an introduction by Shelia Harris, Texas A & M Agrilife Extension District Administrator, Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the employment of Clarissa Sents Moon as FCH Agent for Panola County pending results of a drug test and physical, effective March 1, 2020, at the rate of \$17,265 per year with a travel allowance as budgeted. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
- 8. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to proclaim the week of January 26 – February 1, 2020 Panola County School Choice Week. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE PROCLAMATION ATTACHED.
- 9. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve the employment of Joshua Born as a Driver with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #2 at the rate of \$14.60 per hour effective January 22, 2020. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
- 10. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve the employment of Rodney Cole as an Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3 at the rate of \$17.99 per hour effective

January 22, 2020. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0 with Commissioner David A. Cole abstaining and County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.


11. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the employment of Terry Goodwin as an Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #4 at the rate of \$18.82 per hour, effective January 22, 2020. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
12. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve a Hangar Lease Agreement at Panola County Airport – Sharpe Field between Panola County and Charles T. Bailey. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE INFORMATION AND AGREEMENT ATTACHED.
13. Following an explanation by Cheyenne Lampley, Elections Administrator, Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve a quote from Verizon for 19 Mi-Fi units for the elections office. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
14. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve an Order of General Election for March 3, 2020. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE ORDER ATTACHED.
15. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve a request from the Panola County Agrilife Extension Office to locate a bulletin board in the main hallway of the ground floor within the courthouse. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
16. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve an IHS Non-Exclusive License Agreement between Panola County, Texas and Indigent Healthcare Solutions, Ltd. for the use of IHS software and related materials as it pertains to Panola County indigents. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE AGREEMENT ATTACHED.

The meeting adjourned.

Dated this 21st day of January, 2020.



LeeAnn Jones, County Judge, Panola County, Texas




Date

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I, Bobbie Davis, County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for January 21, 2020.



Bobbie Davis, County Clerk



Date

