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BOBBIE DAVIS
COUNTY CLERK, PANOLA COUNTY, TEXAS
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On this 4th day of August, 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:

LeeAnn Jones
David A. Cole
Craig M. Lawless
Dale LaGrone

County Judge
Commissioner, Precinct #2
Commissioner, Precinct #3
Commissioner, Precinct #4

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

PRAYER: Commissioner David A. Cole gave the prayer.

OPEN MEETING:

1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were no citizen comments.

2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

There were no Commissioners' Reports.

3. COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:

County Judge LeeAnn Jones reported that Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone has been sick, and that the County will be subject to a burn ban if we don't get some rain soon.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:

PERSONNEL

- a. To record the employment of Christopher Benton as a Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department effective July 25, 2020 at the rate of \$15.86 per hour.
- b. To record the separation of Roy Avery, Temporary Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3, effective July 16, 2020 at 5:00 PM.

ROAD & BRIDGE

- a. None

MISCELLANEOUS

- a. To approve minutes of Commissioners' Court meetings held during the month of July, 2020.
- b. To approve and record 2020 Budget Amendment No. 16.
- c. To record House Bill 3834 Certification for Local Governments regarding a cybersecurity training program.
- d. To record Tax Assessor-Collector Holly Gibbs' Continuing Education Transcript for reporting period March 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021; and to record Maintenance Transcript for reporting period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.
- e. To record a copy of the Panola County Juvenile Probation Department written statement containing the date, time and place said adjustments, documents and budgets will be considered for approval and recording.
- f. To record a copy of the Panola County Community Supervision and Corrections Department's Minutes of Meeting held February 20, 2020; and to record written statement containing the date, time and place said adjustments, documents and budgets will be considered for approval and recording.

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): None

Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent.

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

5. Commissioner Dale LaGrone 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 carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
6. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County Payroll as prepared and submitted by the County Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REGISTER ATTACHED.
7. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to receive No New Revenue Tax Rate, Voters Approved Tax Rate and De Minimis Tax Rate schedules from Tax Assessor-Collector Holly Gibbs. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
8. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to set the Panola County Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 2021 on August 18, 2020 at 1:35 PM; to set the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget on August 18, 2020 at the conclusion of the Budget Hearing and to authorize publication of same in accordance with the requirements of laws and regulations applicable thereto (Local Government Code, Section 111.007). The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE NOTICE ATTACHED.
9. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to authorize the County Judge to publish Notice of Meeting to Vote on the Tax Rate. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE NOTICE ATTACHED
10. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to authorize the County Judge to publish proposed salaries and allowances of Panola County Elected Officials as set out in the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 and to set the adoption of such salaries on August 18, 2020 after adoption of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 in accordance with the requirements of laws and regulations applicable thereto (Local Government Code, Section 152.013). The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE NOTICE ATTACHED.

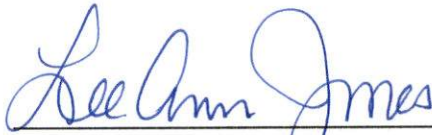
11. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion **not to impose** extra fees on vehicle registration in Panola County. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
12. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to un-declare a 2009 Ford F-750XL dump truck, unit #907, VIN 3FRXF75D29V179067 as surplus property and put it back into service. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE EMAIL ATTACHED.
13. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Carthage and Panola County regarding a parking lot located near the Carthage Municipal Ballpark soccer fields. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE AGREEMENT ATTACHED.
14. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve an engagement letter from Rachael Payne, CPA, PLLC for the Panola County Criminal District Attorney's Office Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report for the year ending August 31, 2020. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE ENGAGEMENT LETTER ATTACHED.
15. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve an Engagement Letter from Rachael Payne, CPA, PLLC for the Panola County Sheriff's Office and the Panola County Constables' Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Reports for the year ending December 31, 2020. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE ENGAGEMENT LETTER ATTACHED.
16. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the Texas County and District Retirement System Plan Agreement for 2021 and authorize the County Judge to sign and submit appropriate authorizations. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
17. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a Kubota Skid Steer SVL95-2SHFC from Lowe Tractor and Equipment for use by Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #1 through BuyBoard Contract #597-19. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.
18. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a Kubota Mini Excavator KX057-4R3A from Lowe Tractor and Equipment for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department,

Precinct #1 through BuyBoard Contract #597-19. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.

19. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve a quote based on DIR Contract #4038 from Data Preservation Solutions for preservation of docket books, minute books and case files; and to authorize approval of purchase through the District Clerk's preservation and restoration budget. The motion carried unanimously with Commissioner Ronnie LaGrone absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.

The meeting adjourned at 1:43 PM.

Dated this 4th day of August, 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 August 4, 2020.



Bobbie Davis, County Clerk





Date