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On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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 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, 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:** 

There were no Commissioners' Reports.

COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:

There was no County Judge's Report.

4. CONSENT ITEMS:

# PERSONNEL

a. To record the resignation of Vanessa Caudle as a temporary employee in the Voter Registration Office effective September 1, 2020.

- b. To record the employment of Kim Goodwin as a temporary employee in the Voter Registration Office effective October 13, 2020 and ending November 4, 2020 (upon successful completion of the drug test and physical) at the rate of \$10.00 per hour.
- c. To record an increase in salary to \$15.86 per hour for Michelle Landreneaux, Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department effective August 29, 2020.
- d. To record an increase in salary to \$15.86 per hour for Holden Ritter, Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department effective August 29, 2020.
- e. To record the employment of Gracie Atkinson as a Part-Time Deputy Clerk with the Panola County Tax Office, effective September 14, 2020 (upon successful completion of the drug test and physical) at the rate of \$14.50 per hour.

## **ROAD & BRIDGE**

- a. To authorize the County Auditor to advertise for sealed bids for road oil (cracked fuel oil); corrugated steel pipe culverts; polyethylene corrugated culverts; gravel; used railroad tank cars/flat cars; concrete iron ore; and crushed limestone. Bids to be opened at a regular session of the Commissioners' Court scheduled for October 13, 2020 at 1:30 PM. Specifications available in the County Judge's Office, 110 S. Sycamore, Room 216-A, Carthage, Texas and at the County Warehouse, 1121 E. Sabine, Carthage, Texas.
- b. To approve and record a request by Valor Telecommunications of Texas, LLC to place 24 fiber cable lines within the right-of-way of Panola County Roads #216 and #217.
- c. To accept and record a donation of 75.12 tons of oil, valued at \$47,489.93 from Rockcliff for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3, on County Roads #335 and #328.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

a. To record the Panola County Tax Assessor/Collector's Vehicle Inventory Tax Interest Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2021.

- b. To ratify and record a letter retaining the services of James Huggler as Special Prosecutor/Assistant Criminal District Attorney for Panola County District Attorney Danny Buck Davidson effective September 1, 2020.
- c. To approve and record 2020 Budget Amendment No. 18.

### 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): PCSD Detention Officer Holden Ritter; PCSD Detention Officer Michelle Landreneaux; Panola County District Clerk Lindsey Smith; Panola County Deputy Constable, Precincts #2 and #3 Jeremy Nagle; PCSD Jail Administrator Tina McMullen; and PCSD Assistant Jail Administrator Tabitha Martinez.

Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items. The motion carried unanimously, 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 David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County bills as prepared and submitted by the County Auditor. The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 6. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County Payroll as prepared and submitted by the County Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 7. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to award the purchase of items of food for the Panola County Detention Center to the lowest and best food vendors, **Reinhart and Flowers Foods**, upon recommendation of Lt. Tina McMullen. The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
- 8. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to execute the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) TDEM Grant Application, Eligibility Certification, Lobbying Certification and Designation of Subrecipient Agent. The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.

- 9. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a Kobelco SK55SR mini excavator with cab from Bane Machinery for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #4 through BuyBoard Contract #597-19. The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
- 10. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Dodge Ram 2500 Crew Cab 4 X 4 from Grapevine Dodge Chrysler Jeep for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3 through BuyBoard Contract #601-19 (corrected from 9/1/2020 agenda). The motion carried unanimously, with County Judge LeeAnn Jones absent. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020.

LeeAnn Jones, County Judge, Panola County, Texas

Date

State of Texas County of Panola

I, Bobbie Davis, County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for September 15, 2020.

Bobbie Davis, County Clerk

Date