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County of Panola

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

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021, 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	County Judge
Billy Alexander	Commissioner, Precinct #1
David A. Cole	Commissioner, Precinct #2
Craig M. Lawless	Commissioner, Precinct #3
Dale LaGrone	Commissioner, Precinct #4

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:**

Keri Vance expressed her appreciation for the Hand Up Network, which has been helping members of the community in the wake of the recent tornadoes.

**2. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

There were no Commissioners' Reports.

**3. COUNTY JUDGE'S REPORT:**

County Judge LeeAnn Jones reported that she had a meeting earlier today with ETCOG, and that the County may receive \$13,500.00 for help in funding fuel and overtime for road and bridge employees who worked to clean up the County after the tornadoes.

**4. CONSENT ITEMS:**

**PERSONNEL**

- a. To rescind the offer of employment for Michael Atwood, Temporary Operator, Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3 that was to be effective April 12, 2021 until October 8, 2021 at the rate of \$18.82 per hour.
- b. To record the employment of Bobby Henley as Temporary Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3 effective May 10, 2021 and ending October 22, 2021 at the rate of \$18.82 per hour.
- c. To record the employment of James Welch as a Temporary Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #2 effective April 28, 2021 and ending October 28, 2021 at the rate of \$18.82 per hour.
- d. To record the separation of Staci Michelle Shrontz as Deputy Clerk with the Panola County Clerk's office effective April 16, 2021 at 5:00 PM.
- e. To record the employment of Anson Jones as a Temporary Operator with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #1 effective May 10, 2021 and ending October 22, 2021 at the rate of \$18.82 per hour.
- f. To record a change in status for Colton McNair from Detention Officer to Patrol Deputy effective April 24, 2021 at the rate of \$21.92 per hour.

#### **ROAD & BRIDGE**

- a. To approve and record a request by AMP II ETX Gathering II, LLC to place 16" lines within the right-of-ways of Panola County Roads #455, #456, #459 and #467.
- b. To approve and record a request by R. Lacy Services, Ltd. to place a 12" line within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #309.
- c. To approve and record a request by Eastex Telephone Co-op to place a 1 ½" line within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #3122.
- d. To approve and record a request by KJECO LLC to place a fusion bonded 3" ID steel water transfer line and two fusion bonded 6" ID steel gas pipelines by directional boring under, across and within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #155.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. To record Statement of Officer and Oath of Office forms for NET RMA Board member Jim Payne.

- b. To accept and record a donation from Texas Sabine River Authority for 18-20 large tarps.
- c. To ratify and record Content License Agreement entered into by and between HERE and Panola County.
- d. To approve and record 2021 Budget Amendment No. 9.

#### **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 Chief Deputy Cassandra Brooks; PCSD Reserve Patrol Deputy Chris Adams; PCSD Patrol Deputy Quade Davis; PCSD Patrol Deputy Jason Gradberg; PCSD Patrol Deputy Scott Jones (2); Panola County Constable, Precincts #2 and #3 Charles Blue (2); Panola County Deputy Constable, Precincts #2 and #3 Jeremy Nagle (2); Panola County Auditor Jennifer Stacy; and Panola County Justice of the Peace, Precincts #1 and #4 Larry Fields.

Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander seconded the motion to approve the Consent Items. The motion carried unanimously.

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 Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve payment of current Panola County bills as prepared and submitted by the County Auditor. The motion carried unanimously. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 6. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve payment of Panola County payroll as prepared and submitted by the County Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously. SEE PAYROLL DISTRIBUTION REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 7. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Hand Up Network and Panola County. The motion carried unanimously. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
- 8. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to agree to penalty-free withdrawals up to \$5,000 for birth or adoption of a child and in-service withdrawals for employees starting at age 59 ½ for employees enrolled in a plan with Nationwide Life Insurance Company. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.

9. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve a change of ownership on Aircraft Hangar #9 from T. G. Davis to Ben and Susan Donald; and to approve Ground Lease Agreement at Panola County Airport-Sharpe Field between Panola County and Ben and Susan Donald (Location #9). The motion carried unanimously. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
10. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to approve the transfer of one (1) Dodge cab and chassis, Unit #1406, VIN 3C7WRTCL0EG223474 from Panola County Road and Bridge, Precinct #1 to 911 Rural Addressing. The motion carried unanimously. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
11. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to cancel the 2021 Towing Bid Contract with Action Towing; and to authorize the County Judge to notify Action Towing of said cancellation. The motion carried unanimously.
12. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve a quote from Fortinet for a firewall (UTM protection) for the Panola County Courthouse. The motion carried unanimously. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.
13. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander seconded the motion to authorize the County Judge to publish legal notice regarding the auction beginning May 27, 2021 at 10:00 AM by LoneStarAuctioneers, License No. 12299 for the sale of vehicles, equipment and scrap previously declared surplus by the Court. The motion carried unanimously. SEE NOTICE ATTACHED.
14. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve the purchase of Ford F-350 from Chastang Enterprises Houston LLC, BuyBoard Contract #601-19 for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department Tire Mechanic. The motion carried unanimously. SEE QUOTE AND INFORMATION ATTACHED.
15. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve \$10,000 Disaster Relief Grant Money received from Texas Sabine River Authority to be allocated for diesel for Panola County Road and Bridge Departments, Precincts #1 and #4 budgets. The motion carried unanimously.
16. Closed Session was not necessary.
17. No action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 1:46 PM.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.

*Lee Ann Jones*

LeeAnn Jones, County Judge, Panola County, Texas

*5-11-21*

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 April 27, 2021.

*Bobbie Davis by Robbin Lotchen*

Bobbie Davis, County Clerk

*May 11, 2021*

Date

