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County of Panola

On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023, the Commissioners' Court of Panola County, Texas met in a regular meeting of the Court at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom of said County with the following members of the Court present:

Rodger G. McLane	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:** Veterans Service Officer Bill Morris gave the prayer.

**OPEN MEETING:**

**1. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

Keri Vance, Executive Director of the Panola County Chamber of Commerce, reported that Adulting 101 at Carthage High School was a success and thanked those who participated, and announced that the Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be Thursday, May 11, 2023.

**2. COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:**

There were no Commissioner's Reports.

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

County Judge Rodger McLane reported that he participated in the Adulting 101 classes at Carthage High School on Friday, May 5, 2023.

**4. CONSENT ITEMS:**

**PERSONNEL**

- a. To record the transfer of Cody Davis from Driver with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #1 to Driver with the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #3 effective May 10, 2023 at the same rate of pay.
- b. To record the employment of Tayler Timmons as a Detention Officer with the Panola County Sheriff's Department effective May 7, 2023 at the rate of \$16.81 per hour.

**ROAD & BRIDGE**

- a. To approve and record a request by KJECO, LLC to place a 12" temporary collapsible poly water line within the right-of-way of Panola County Road #152.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- a. To approve minutes of Commissioners' Court meetings held during the month of April, 2023.
- b. To record Statement of Officer and Oath of Office for Panola County Deputy Sheriff Timothy Windham.
- c. To record Statement of Officer and Oath of Office for Panola County Reserve Deputy Sheriff Ronnie LaGrone.
- d. To amend and record Order #2022-25 regarding the dates for Commissioners' Court in the event of a holiday.
- e. To record approved Interlocal Agreement between the counties of Panola and Shelby regarding holding Shelby County prisoners in the Panola County Detention Center.
- f. To record the cancellation of three quotes from A-Automatic Gate Services approved in March 28, 2023 and April 11, 2023 Court sessions for gates at the Panola County Road and Bridge Department and Panola County Detention Center.
- g. To record the cancellation of three quotes from Fidelity Metal Works for gates at the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Panola County Detention Center and Panola County Airport.
- h. To approve and record 2023 Budget Amendment No. 7.
- i. To record SLFRF Compliance Report regarding American Rescue Act (ARPA) funds.

- j. To record Oil and Gas Division Order from Comstock Oil and Gas, LP for Panola County.

**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 Constable, Precincts #2 and #3 Brack LaGrone; PCSD Chief Deputy David Gray; PCSD Sergeants Calahan Malone, Quade Davis and Randy Payne; PCSD Captain Adam Jones; PCSD Sheriff Deputies Chris Adams, Haley Baker, Travis Curry, Chris Hansen, Hunter Hutto, Scott Jones, Colton McNair, Richard Mojica and Travis Wilson; PCSD Detention Officer Christina Lyles; PCSD Criminal Investigator Joshua Nagle; PCSD Sergeant of Communications and Civil Process Shakami Manning; PCSD Communications Officer Marissa Harrison; PCSD Assistant Jail Administrator Tabitha Martinez (3); PCSD Patrol Lieutenant Chris Welk; PCSD Lieutenant Criminal Investigator James Ferris; PCSD Criminal Investigator Andy Nixon; PCSD Bailiff Greg Almeida; PCSD Courthouse Security Hollie Mojica; PCSD Mental Health/Sex Offender Compliance Deputy Scott Jones; PCSD Reserve Sheriff Deputies Heather Green and David Johnson; Panola County Justice of the Peace, Precincts #1 and #4 Denise Gray; Panola County Justice of the Peace Clerks, Precincts #1 and #4 Raven Wallace and Brittany Odom; and PCSD Deputy Sheriff Jason Gradberg.

Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone 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 Craig M. Lawless 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. SEE PAYMENT REGISTER ATTACHED.
- 6. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander 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. A public hearing was held to consider lowering the speed limit on Panola County Road #316.

8. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to adopt Order #2023-03 setting the speed limit on Panola County Road #316 to 30 MPH. The motion carried unanimously. SEE NOTICE AND ORDER ATTACHED.
9. County Judge Rodger McLane moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to proclaim the month of May, 2023 Mental Health Awareness Month in Panola County. The motion carried unanimously. SEE PROCLAMATION ATTACHED.
10. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner David A. Cole seconded the motion to approve a rental contract for the Carthage Civic Center for jury selection for the 123<sup>rd</sup> District Court. The motion carried unanimously. SEE CONTRACT ATTACHED.
11. Commissioner Craig M. Lawless moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to declare the following used exercise equipment as surplus property: 85 assorted free weights and racks; 25 assorted dumbbells on rack; 1 bench press with bar; 8 Redman strike sticks training gear; 8 Redman fighting pads training gear; 1 shoulder press machine #A000239; 1 lat pullover machine #A000244; 1 seated press machine #A000251; 1 seated press machine, #A000253; 1 Vitamaster Air Advantage stationary bicycle; 1 curling machine, #N003184; and 1 Maxicam modular multi-press machine #A000246. The motion carried unanimously. SEE LETTER ATTACHED.
12. Commissioner Dale LaGrone moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to authorize the County Judge to advertise for sealed bids for used exercise equipment. Bid specifications are available in the County Judge's Office. Bids will be opened May 23, 2023 at a regular session of the Court scheduled for 9:00 AM. The motion carried unanimously. SEE NOTICE AND INVITATION TO BID ATTACHED.
13. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander seconded the motion to authorize the County Judge to submit a request for economic development funds forfeited by Deep East Texas Electric Coop and other electric coops as unclaimed capital credits. The motion carried unanimously. SEE REQUEST FORM ATTACHED.
14. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Dale LaGrone seconded the motion to accept a total loss settlement offer for a 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe, VIN 1GNLC2ECXFR562275 in the amount of \$16,981.12; and authorize the County Auditor to transfer title to TAC. The motion carried unanimously. SEE REPORT ATTACHED.
15. Commissioner Billy Alexander moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to approve a quote from Holt Cat Rental Store for rental equipment (reclaimer) for use by the Panola County Road and Bridge Department, Precinct #1. The motion carried unanimously. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.

16. County Judge Rodger McLane moved and Commissioner Craig M. Lawless seconded the motion to upgrade the County's email plan with Texas Association of Counties. The motion carried unanimously. SEE INFORMATION ATTACHED.
17. Commissioner David A. Cole moved and Commissioner Billy Alexander seconded the motion to reject a quote from M & M Painting for materials, washing and painting metal at the Panola County Airport – Sharpe Field. The motion carried unanimously. SEE QUOTE ATTACHED.
18. Commissioners' Court entered closed session at 9:10 AM to discuss ambulance services pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071.
19. Commissioners' Court re-convened in open session at 9:34 AM. County Judge Rodger McLane reported that upon the review and recommendation of a committee appointed for this purpose, UTHealth Ambulance Service was chosen. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 AM.


Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

  
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 Rodger G. McLane, County Judge

6-6-2023  
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 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 May 9, 2023.

  
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 Bobbie Davis, County Clerk



6/6/23  
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