

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – JANUARY 11, 2017

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 11th day of January 2017 at its meeting place in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Waller County Courthouse, Hempstead, Texas. The meeting was called to order by Waller County Judge Trey Duhon at 9:01 a.m. with the following members of the Court present to-wit:

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III, County Judge
John A. Amsler, Commissioner Precinct 1
Russell Klecka, Commissioner Precinct 2
Jeron Barnett, Commissioner Precinct 3
Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4
Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

Delivery of Invocation by: Commissioner Amsler
Pledge to the American Flag and Texas Flag led by: Commissioner Barnett

1. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Halcyon Watkins provided comments to the court concerning the Waller County Welfare Board.

CONSENT AGENDA (2-5 Items)

Items identified within the consent agenda are of a routine nature, and will be passed with one vote without being discussed separately. If a member of the court or public requests that a particular item be discussed, that agenda item will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed as part of the regular agenda at the appropriate time. One vote will approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

2. **Approval of the minutes** – January 4, 2017 Regular Session

3. **Request to approve payment on the following:**

(a) \$21,250.00 for Invoice # 1659 to Waller County Economic Development as allocated in the 2017 Budget from line item 125-411-547200 [Economic Development].

(b) \$ 2,305.32 to Second Administrative Judicial Region of Texas for Waller County's proportionate share from line item 125-422-541600 [Pro Rata Share Court Expense].

4. **Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.**

5. **Discuss and take action to approve a Utility Permit for the extension of a gas main in the ROW of Murrell Road.**

Motion to **approve consent agenda items** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

- 6. ~~Discuss and take action to approve the Rules and Regulations, Room Rental Application and Rental Agreement for the Community Center Building in Precinct 3.~~
Item WITHDRAWN.

COUNTY JUDGE

- 7. ~~Discuss and take action to consider and approve landscaping contractor for Waller County Community Center.~~

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion and Second WITHDRAWN – Item WITHDRAWN.

COUNTY COURT AT LAW

- 8. Discuss and take action to approve the transfer of fixed assets to the Maintenance and Elections Departments.

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes
Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes
Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- 9. Discuss and take action to authorize the County Treasurer to receive funds from the Waller County District Attorney to pay salary supplements for Third DA Assistant in the amount of \$6,000.00, Second DA Assistant in the amount of \$3,000.00, and \$2,400.00 to the Victim Assistant for calendar year 2017. Assistant increases in benefits to be paid from funds received from the District Attorney.

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes
Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes
Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

- 10. Discuss and take action to transfer \$13,624.00 from line item 125-416-510032 [Salary Investigator] to line item 125-416-510101 [Salary Part-Time] within the District Attorney’s Budget.

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes
Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes
Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

COUNTY ENGINEER

- 11. ~~Discuss and take action to transfer \$486.00 from line item 110-524-510003 [Staff Salary] to line item 125-526-510035 [911 Coordinator Salary].~~

Item WITHDRAWN.

SHERIFF

12. Open Bids for meat products, non-perishable food items, and produce food items for the Waller County Jail.
No Bids received – No action taken.
13. Discuss and take action to accept donation from Donna B. Klenke and Raymond M. Klenke in the amount of \$1,018.34 and to be placed in line item 125-516-581700 [Sheriff Administration]. Funds to be used to purchase a Ballistic Vest package for K-9 from Elite K-9.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

MISCELLANEOUS

14. Discuss and take action to approve the placement of a Public Notice in the News Citizen related to the Texas Department of Agriculture Grant for infrastructure improvements. Payment for advertising to be funded from line item 125-401-544100 [Bid Notices and Printing].
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*
15. ~~Discuss and take action to approve payment to Hill's Construction from line item 600-600-587520 [Community Center].~~ **Item WITHDRAWN.**

AUDITOR

16. Discuss and take action to approve quarterly reimbursement of Juror Payments.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*
17. Discuss and take action to approve Inventory transfer.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*
18. Discuss and take action to amend the 2017 Grant Budget to accommodate funds not spent in 2016 for the Family Place Library Project Grant.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 19. Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel about pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071.
- 20. Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session.

No Executive Session needed.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to **adjourn** by Commissioner Klecka, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

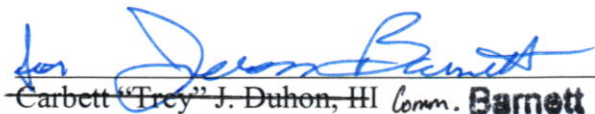
Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

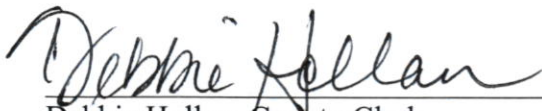
Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:40 a.m.

APPROVED this the 18th day of January 2017.


~~Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III~~ **Comm. Barnett**
County Judge *Presiding Judge*

ATTEST:


Debbie Hollan, County Clerk
And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners
Court of Waller County, Texas

