MINUTES

WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT REGULAR SESSION WEDNESDAY – JUNE 15, 2022

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 15th day of June 2022 at its meeting place in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Waller County Courthouse, Hempstead, Texas. The meeting was called to order by Presiding Judge Commissioner Justin Beckendorff at 9:01 a.m. with the following members of the Court present to-wit:

John A. Amsler, Commissioner Precinct 1 Kendric D. Jones, Commissioner Precinct 3 Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4 – *Presiding Judge* Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

Absent: Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III, County Judge Walter Smith, Commissioner Precinct 2

Delivery of Invocation by: Commissioner Amsler

Pledge to the American Flag and Texas Flag led by: Commissioner Jones.

1. Approval of Agenda.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith

Absent

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT

To slow the spread of COVID-19, the public may make public comment at the beginning of the meeting by teleconference. **Local callers should call 979-921-6212.** Non-local callers should call 800-576-1131. The user code for both numbers is **14329937**. Callers will be asked if they would like to make public comment. After public comment, the teleconference line will be closed. The public may continue to watch the meeting streamed online at http://wallercountytx.swagit.com/live.

- 1. Dr. Denise Maddox
- 2. Constable Hershel Smith

CONSENT AGENDA

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 June 8, 2022 Regular Session
- 3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Payroll.
- 4. Request for approval of Treasurer's Monthly Report.
- 5. Request by County Tax Assessor Collector to approve refunds in excess of \$500.00 in accordance with section 31.11 of the Texas Tax Code.

- 6. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$170.00 for Invoice # 22547406 [Courthouse, Hold-Up Alarm] and \$1,990.00 for Invoice # 22112406 [Courthouse Camera Surveillance] for a total of \$ 2,160.00 to TAC Security from line item 117-428-568425 [Courthouse Security/Misc. Security].
 - (b) \$8,212.23 for Invoice # 3147122 and \$1,612.50 for Invoice # 3160848 for a total of \$9,824.73 to Husch Blackwell from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal].
- 7. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon - Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith

Absent

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

8. **Discussion** of renaming Liendo Parkway.

No action required.

SHERIFF

9. Presentation and Proclamation by Operation SafeShield.

(Chief James Flynt read Proclamation)

Discuss and take action to accept donation to Animal Control from Sherrian Wooks in 10. the amount of \$15.00. (no backup submitted)

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon - Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith

- Absent

Commissioner Jones - Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

TREASURER

11. Discuss and take action to amend the 2022 Salary Order.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon - Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith

- Absent

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

FIRE MARSHAL

Discuss and take action to approve Burn Ban. 12.

No action taken.

AUDITOR

Spread upon the minutes the certification of the Juvenile Probation Department, TJJD 13. Grant award of an additional \$24,966.00, and amend the 2021-2022 grant budget, JP 2022-01.

No action required.

- 14. **Spread** upon the minutes the certification of the Juvenile Probation Department, TJJD Grant R award of an additional \$2,600.00, and amend the budget, WC 2022-24. *No action required.*
- 15. Discuss and take action to certify the \$25,000.00 donation from Phillips 66 and amend the Fire Marshal budget, WC 2022-25.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Absent Commissioner Jones – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

16. Discuss and take action to approve the certification of the Waller County Tax Notes, Series 2022 proceeds in the amount of \$6,485,000.00 and amend the Capital Projects Fund, WC 2022-26.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Absent Commissioner Jones – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

MISCELLANEOUS

17. Discuss and take action to approve Agreement between Waller County and Focusing Families and payment of \$15,000.00 from line item 125-411-547310 [Focusing Families] as allocated in the 2022 Budget.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Absent Commissioner Jones – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

18. Discuss and take action to approve the re-nomination of John Isom as the representative to the H-GAC Advisory Committee representing Waller County Local Development Corporation for the June 2022 – May 2024 term.

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Absent Commissioner Jones – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to **adjourn** meeting by Commissioner Amsler, seconded by Commissioner Jones.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Absent Commissioner Jones – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:54 a.m.

Ex-Officio for the Commissioners' Court of Waller County.

Debbie Hollan
Waller County Clerk

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III
County Judge