# **MINUTES**

### WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT REGULAR SESSION WEDNESDAY – AUGUST 28, 2019

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August 2019 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 9:03 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 Walter Smith, 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** agenda by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff. **Motion carried**.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Smith – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

### PUBLIC COMMENT - None

# **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 August 21, 2019 Regular Session
- 3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Payroll.
- 4. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

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

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Smith – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

# WALLER COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD

5. **Presentation** by Katina Harris on the status of the Child Welfare Board. *No action required.* 

### **COUNTY ENGINEER**

- Spread upon the minutes the bid addendum for the McAllister Road Bridge 6. Replacement. No action required.
- Discuss and take action to accept the donation of funds for the material costs for repair 7. on east Hollyhill Drive.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried. Judge Trey Duho

on – Yes	Commissioner Amsler – Yes	Commissioner	Smith –	Yes
	Commissioner Barnett – Yes	Commissioner	Beckendorff -	Yes

### ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

Discuss and take action to approve a variance request to the Subdivision Development 8. Regulations, Engineering Design Standards, Section 2 Lot size, regarding the minimum lot size dwelling, by Mr. & Mrs. Fontenot.

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried. Judge Trey Duho

on – Yes	Commissioner Amsler – Yes	Commissioner Smith – Yes
	Commissioner Barnett – Yes	Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

9. Discuss and take action to approve a variance request to the Subdivision Development Regulations, Engineering Design Standards, Section 2 Lot size, regarding the minimum lot size dwelling, by Nancy Wyatt.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Abstained Commissioner Amsler – Abstained Commissioner Smith -YesCommissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff - No

### SHERIFF

Discuss and take action to accept the donation of \$50.00 from Gloria Cox. Funds to be 10. deposited into line item 125-000-470200 [Donations/Animal Control].

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried. -Yes

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

#### FIRE MARSHAL

11. Discuss and take action on Burn Ban. Item WITHDRAWN. Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion withdrawn.

#### **EXTENSION SERVICE**

Discuss and take action to approve the transfer of \$2,400.00 from line item 125-540-12. 510004 [Administrator Salary] to line item 125-440-510100 [Part Time].

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett - Yes

**Commissioner Smith** -YesCommissioner Beckendorff - Yes

## AUDITOR

13. Discuss and take action to approve official documents and all monthly reports. Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried. Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Smith -YesCommissioner Beckendorff – Yes

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

14. Discuss and take action to deliberate business and financial issues in executive session based on determination and recommendation from the District Attorney's Office that deliberation in an open meeting regarding business and financial issues related to the value of real property in Precinct 2 would have a detrimental effect on the position of the County in negotiations with third persons.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried. С

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes	Commissioner Smith – Yes
Commissioner Barnett – Yes	Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

15. Discuss and take action to deliberate business and financial issues in executive session based on determination and recommendation from the District Attorney's Office that deliberation in an open meeting regarding business and financial issues related to the value of real property in Precinct 3 would have a detrimental effect on the position of the County in negotiations with third persons.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes	Commissioner Amsler – Yes	Commissioner Smith – Yes
	Commissioner Barnett – Yes	Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

- 16. Deliberate business and financial issues related to the value of real property in Precinct 2 pursuant to Government Code Sections 551.072 and 551.0725.
- Deliberate business and financial issues related to the value of real property in Precinct 17. 3 pursuant to Government Code Sections 551.072 and 551.0725.
- Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel pursuant to Government Code 18. Section 551.071.

#### Court convened to Executive Session at 9:55 a.m.

Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters 19. discussed in Executive Session.

Court reconvened from Executive Session at 10:52 a.m.

No action taken from Executive Session.

#### **ADJOURN MEETING**

Motion to **adjourn** meeting by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith. **Motion carried**.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Smith – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was ADJOURNED at 10:52 a.m.

I ATTEST TO THE ACCURACY OF THE FORGOING MINUTES:

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



APPROVED this the 4<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019.

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III County Judge