MINUTES

WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT REGULAR SESSION WEDNESDAY – NOVEMBER 25, 2015

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 25th day of November 2015 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 – None

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 (3) - November 16, 2015 Special Session, November 18, 2015 Regular and Special Sessions.
- 3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of payroll.
- 4. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$950.00 to Magnolia Funeral Home, Inc. from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].
- 5. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

Motion to approve consent agenda items #2-5 by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler - Yes Commissioner Barnett - Yes

Commissioner Klecka Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

CONSTABLE, PRECINCT 2

6. Discuss and take action to accept the donation of a 2011 Dodge Charger Police Interceptor fully equipped, with 32000 miles bearing VIN # 2B3CL1CT5BH539729 and appraised at \$24,400 from Tex Martin.

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

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Ye

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

(Judge and Commissioners thanked Mr. Tex Martin for generosity)

7. Discuss and take action to approve the transfer of \$2,000.00 from line item 125-512-563000 [Training & Conference] to line item 125-512-568400 [Miscellaneous].

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

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

 $Commissioner\ Amsler\ - Yes$

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 2

8. Discuss and take action to approve payment of Invoice # W8565 to Telomack Cabling Solutions in the amount of \$322.50 from line item 119-429-581817 [Technology Enhancements] for cables and creation for new work station in the Justice Court, Precinct Two, Waller County.

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

TREASURER

9. Discuss and take action to appoint one County Commissioner to the Investment Advisory Committee as per Investment Policy, 2.05.

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

Motion to **amend** by Commissioner Amsler, seconded by Commissioner Barnett to **appoint** Commissioner Klecka to the Investment Advisory Committee.

Amendment carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

Amended Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Klecka

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

10. Discuss and take action to appoint a County Commissioner to the Personnel Policy Committee as per Waller County Policy, 1.04.

Motion to **appoint Commissioner Justin Beckendorff** by Commissioner Amsler, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

MAINTENANCE

11. Discuss and take action to approve transfer of \$25,000.00 from line item 125-411-569600 [Contingency] to line item 125-442-544700 [Repair & Replacement].

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

Motion to **amend** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett to increase transfer amount to \$25,000.00.

Amendment carried.

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

Amended Motion carried.

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

TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

12. Discuss and take action to authorize the County Judge to sign one tax resale deed for the private tax resale of one property currently held in trust by Waller County pursuant to Section 34.05(h)(2) of the Texas Tax Code.

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

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Klecka – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

COUNTY ENGINEER

- 13. **Public Hearing**: Establishment of speed limit and the installation of speed limit signs on the following road:
 - Rock Island Road entire length of 40 mph

Public Hearing began at 9:14 a.m.

No public comments received.

Public Hearing ended at 9:14 a.m.

- 14. Discuss and take action to approve the establishment of speed limit and the installation of speed limit signs on the following road:
 - Rock Island Road entire length of 40 mph

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

15. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$5,000.00 to Gulf Coast Rail District from line item 125-411-562300 [County Organizational Dues].

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

16. Discuss and take action to approve the transfer of \$1,500.00 from line item 125-411-569600 [Contingency] to line item 125-415-566500 [Justice Court Petit Jurors].

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

17. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$825.00 for Invoice # 105507 to Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLC from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal] Pintail Landfill.

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

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Ye

Commissioner Barnett - Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

18. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$187.50 for Invoice # 105508 to Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLC from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal] Objection to CenterPoint Power Lines.

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

19. Discuss and take action to approve the Agreement between Waller County, Texas and Fort Bend Children's Advocacy Center.

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

20 Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$2,500,00 to Fort Ber

20. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$2,500.00 to Fort Bend County Children's Advocacy Center as allocated in the 2015 Budget to be paid from line item 125-411-542249 [Fort Bend County Children's Assessment Center].

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

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka -

Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

AUDITOR

Discuss and take action for the approval of official documents and all monthly reports.
 Motion to approve by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
 Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Ye

Commissioner Barnett - Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff - Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 22. Consultation with District Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation.
- 23. Consultation with Attorney JD Head of Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLC, via telephone conference call, regarding contested case hearing in SOAH Docket

- No. 582-14-3597, and 2011 Landfill Ordinance [Executive Session as requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].
- 24. Consultation with Attorney JD Head of Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLC, via telephone conference call, regarding pending or contemplated litigation with CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC [Executive Session as requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)].
- 25. Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session.

No Executive Session needed.

ADJOURN MEETING

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

Judge Trey Duhon - Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Y

- Yes

Commissioner Barnett - Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:22 a.m.

APPROVED this the 2nd day of December 2015.

Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon,

County Judge

ATTEST:

Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners'

Court of Waller County, Texas