

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 11, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Tuesday, the 11th day of February 2020 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 Jeron Barnett at 9:00 a.m. with the following members of the Court present to-wit:

John A. Amsler, Commissioner Precinct 1
Walter Smith, Commissioner Precinct 2
Jeron Barnett, Commissioner Precinct 3 – *Presiding Judge*
Stephanie Tompkins, Chief Deputy Clerk

Absent: Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III, County Judge
Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4

Delivery of Invocation by: Pastor John Fitz-Chapman
Pledge to the American Flag led by: Commissioner Amsler
Pledge to the Texas Flag led by: Commissioner Smith

1. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Absent

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Pastor John Fitz Chapman addressed the court with his desire to continue using the Waller County Community Center.

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 – February 5, 2020 Regular Session
3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Payroll.
4. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Treasurer's Monthly Report.
5. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$5,000.00 for invoice to Gulf Coast Rail District from line item 125-401-540900 [Prof Consultant Fees] for 2020 General Purpose Fund.
 - (b) \$201.85 for invoice #1158 to Effort Event Supplies from line item 600-600-587521 [Library].
 - (c) \$150.00 for invoice #26068 to Metro Container LLC from line item 600-600-587521 [Library].

- (d) \$6,627.09 for invoice #238160 to Innovative Communication Systems from line item 125-411-545001 [Maintenance Contracts].
- (e) \$80.00 for invoice #20547402 [Courthouse, Hold-Up Alarm], and \$995.00 for invoice # 20112402 [Courthouse Camera Surveillance], for a total of \$1,075.00 payable to TAC Security from line item 117-428-568425 [Courthouse Security/Misc. Security].
- (f) \$3,112.00 for invoice #AH021367 and \$2,887.00 for invoice #AH021366 for a total \$5,999.00 to Harris County Treasurer from line item 125-423-540702 [Autopsy].
- (g) \$1,065.00 for invoice dated January 5, 2020 to Schmidt Funeral Home from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].

- 6. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.
- 7. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for Consolidated Communications to place a fiber optic cable within the right-of-way of Wilpitz Road.
- 8. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for San Bernard Electric Coop., Inc. to add 3 poles within the right-of-way of Tompkins Road.
- 9. Request by County Engineer to approve Utility Permit for San Bernard Electric Coop., Inc. to add 1 pole within the right-of-way of Meath Street.
- 10. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for San Bernard Electric Coop., Inc. to add 1 pole within the right-of-way of Kildare Road.
- 11. Request by County Engineer to remove the Road Load Zone Designation on Owens Road as a result of the execution of Interlocal Agreement with MUD #33.
- 12. Request to approve Order Authorizing Texas Independence Day Fireworks Sales.

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

Motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Absent

Advanced to Agenda Items #22 & #23

ELECTIONS

- 22. Discuss and take action to approve Joint Resolutions for Election Services for 2020 Primary Election and Runoff, and May 2, 2020 Entity Elections.

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion to **table** agenda item by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried by 3-0 vote. **Item TABLED.**

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Absent

MISCELLANEOUS

- 23. Discuss and take action to approve request by Pastor John Fitz-Chapman with The Church PV to rent the Community Center on a continued basis during the afternoons for every available Sunday in 2020 beginning February 16th – December 27th.