

**MINUTES**  
**WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**WEDNESDAY – MARCH 21, 2018**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2018 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**

Waller County Engineer, Mr. Yancy Scott advised of upcoming public meetings regarding transportation and mobility plan to be held in Waller County. Mr. Scott also advised the March employee of the month is Gerald Ingram.

**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 – March 14, 2018 Regular Session**

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

(a) \$2,065.00 for Invoice to Schmidt Funeral Home from line 125-423-540702 [Transport to Morgue].

(b) \$2,152.50 for Invoice to Fritz, Byrne, Head & Gilstrap, PLLC from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal] Pintail Landfill.

(c) \$807.50 for Invoice # NRDD-0003268 and \$287.50 for Invoice # NRDD-0003237 for a total of \$1,095.00 to Texas Association of Counties from line item 125-411-560300 [Ins Equip/Build/Pub Liab].

4. **Request by County Treasurer for approval of Treasurer's Monthly Report.**

5. **Spread** upon the minutes the 2017 Certificates of Compliance awarded to Joan Sargent, Waller County Treasurer, for required hours of Continuing Education and Public Funds investment established by section 83.003 of the Texas Local Government Code and Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code.
6. Request by County Tax Assessor Collector to approve refunds in excess of \$500.00 in accordance with section 31.11 Texas Tax Code.
7. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

Motion to **approve consent agenda items** 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*

**RESOLUTION**

8. Discuss and take action to approve Resolution Regarding the Katy Area Economic Development Council.

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 – No*

**506<sup>th</sup> DISTRICT JUDGE**

9. Discuss and take action to remove Ms. Carol Chaney as Indigent Defense Contract Attorney, and approve Mr. Benjamin D. Beckworth for the Contract Indigent Defense attorney for Waller County for remainder of Calendar Year 2018, and authorize the County Judge to sign the contract on behalf of the 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*

**COUNTY ENGINEER**

10. Discuss and take action to accept the donation from Mr. Brad Frennen of storm water drainage materials valued at approximately \$8,000.00 in support of improvements at Stockdick Rd./Schlipf Rd. intersection.

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*

**CONSTRUCTION MANAGER**

11. **Presentation** and update on the Waller County Criminal Justice Center project by Danny Rothe, Brinkley Sargent Wiginton, and Sedalco. *No action required.*
12. Discuss and take action to approve schematic design of the Waller County Criminal Justice Center.

Motion to **approve** the schematic design of the Waller County Criminal Justice Center with the Courthouse as an Add Alternate 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**

13. Discuss and take action to approve the agreement between Waller County and Melanee Smith Memorial Library.

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*

14. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$5,000.00 to Melanee Smith Memorial Library as allocated in the 2018 Budget from line item 125-411-547340 [Melanee Smith Library].

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 the Lease Agreement between Royal Independent School District and 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*

16. Discuss and take action to approve Interlocal Cooperation Contract with DPS for the use of the Royal ISD office space leased by the 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*

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Court convened to Executive Session at 11:17 a.m.**

17. Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071.

**Court reconvened from Executive Session at 12:10 p.m.**

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

Motion made to send a demand letter to a property owner concerning improper removal of road materials 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*

## ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to **adjourn** meeting by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

**Motion carried.**

*Judge Trey Duhon – Yes*

*Commissioner Amsler – Yes*

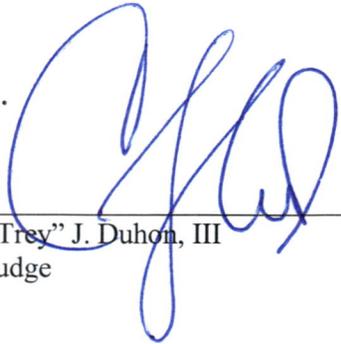
*Commissioner Klecka – Yes*

*Commissioner Barnett – Yes*

*Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 12:10 p.m.

**APPROVED** this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2018.

  
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Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III  
County Judge

ATTEST:

  
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Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

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

