

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – MARCH 31, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 31st day of March 2021 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
Walter Smith, Commissioner Precinct 2
Kendric D. Jones, 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 Beckendorff

1. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Jones.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

<i>Judge Trey Duhon</i> – Yes	<i>Commissioner Amsler</i> – Yes	<i>Commissioner Smith</i> – Yes
	<i>Commissioner Jones</i> – Yes	<i>Commissioner Beckendorff</i> – 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. Art Hernandez commented there are a lot of items on the agenda today that will impact Waller County and when making decisions to consider how it will affect the families of Waller County.

(Additional Public Comment given later in the meeting, page 5)

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 24, 2021 Regular Session

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

(a) \$1,227.50 for Invoice dated March 18, 2021 to Schmidt Funeral Home from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].

(b) \$745.00 for Invoice dated March 16, 2021 to Magnolia Funeral Home, Inc. from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].

(c) \$5,774.00 for Invoice # 4282, \$5,774.00 for Invoice # 2226, \$2,887.00 for Invoice # 1773, and \$9,021.00 for invoice # 1706 for a total of \$23,456.00 to Harris County from line item 125-423-540702 [Autopsy].

4. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.
5. Request by County Engineer to accept Right-of-Way and/or Easement dedications along Woods Rd, from IH-10 southward, necessary to expand the roadway.
6. Request by County Engineer to approve a Utility Permit for Landshark to place a Hydrovac truck in the right-of-way of Woods Road.
7. Request by County Engineer to accept existing right-of-way on Penick Road dedicated by Mr. Frank Springer Jr.
8. Request by County Engineer to accept existing right-of-way on Buller Road dedicated to Mr. Jose Armando Alvarenga.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

9. Discuss and take action to approve Tax Abatement Agreement with WCF, LLC. WCF, LLC owns the property and applied for a tax abatement. The property is located in Waller County HEA Reinvestment Zone 9 at 1900 Cardiff Road, Brookshire, Texas. The improvements subject to the agreement include an aircraft hangar and additional office space. The estimated cost of the improvements is approximately \$2,600,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Jones.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

10. **Presentation** by Vince Yokom on Waller County Economic Development.

No action required.

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11. Discuss and take action to approve general fund reimbursement resolution included in possible issuance of Waller County Tax Notes, Series 2021.

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Jones.

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Jones.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote. **Item TABLED.**

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes