

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – APRIL 29, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 29th day of April 2020 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
Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4
Debbie Hollan, County Clerk
Absent: Jeron Barnett, Commissioner Precinct 3

Delivery of Invocation by: Commissioner Amsler
Pledge to the American Flag and Texas Flag led by: Commissioner Beckendorff

1. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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| <i>Judge Trey Duhon – Yes</i> | <i>Commissioner Amsler – Yes</i> | <i>Commissioner Smith – Yes</i> |
| | <i>Commissioner Barnett – Absent</i> | <i>Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes</i> |

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

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://wallercountytexas.com/live>.

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** – April 22, 2020 Regular Session

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

(a) \$3,386.24 for Invoice # 241229 to ICS from line item 125-411-542501
[Telephone/Equip & Svc].

(b) \$395.00 for Invoice # 2020-4-137 to ARCIT from line item 125-411-562300
[County Organizational Dues].

(c) \$ 1,145.00 for Invoice dated April 8, 2020 to Magnolia Funeral Home Inc., from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].

(d) \$60,450.19 for invoice # 33 to Brinkley Sargent Wiginton Architects from line item 601-601-545405 [Professional Services Jail].

(e) \$321.52 for reimbursement to Danny Rothe from line item 600-600-587521 [Library].

4. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

COUNTY ENGINEER

5. **Open** Competitive Bids for Traffic and Guard Rail Improvements at various locations in Waller County.

The following bid was submitted and opened by the court:

1. Received from JMHP April 15, 2020 11:52 a.m.

1.) Riley Road at Walnut Creek, \$23,985.00

2.) Joseph Road at Walnut Creek, \$27,485.00

3.) Joseph Road at Brushy Creek, \$23,985.00

Total bid for all items \$75,455.00

6. Discuss and take action to extend the due date and award date on the Competitive Bids for Repair of Headwalls on Buller Road at Dry Branch.

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

Motion to **amend** by Commissioner Beckendorff to extend due date to May 18, 2020, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Amendment carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Amended Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

7. Discuss and take action to approve the proposal from EHRA Engineering for Professional Surveying, Engineering and Construction Phase Services for removal of the existing bridge crossing at Kelley Road over Clear Creek. Payment to be funded from line item 110-530-590000 [Bridge Replacement].

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

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote. **Item TABLED.**

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

AUDITOR

8. Discuss and take action to approve official documents and all monthly reports.

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

9. Discuss and take action to certify donation of a 2004 Featherlite Command Trailer valued at \$5,000.00 and amend the 2020 budget.

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

10. **Update** on Precinct 4 Project. *No action required.*

11. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$727,520.81 for invoice # 7 to Collier Construction from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building].

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

12. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$450.00 to Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District for Water Well Permit and Registration Application. Funds to be paid from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building].

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

13. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$6,243.68 for Invoice # 0320WCA1801 to Blueline from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building].

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

MISCELLANEOUS

14. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$9,647.50 for Invoice #20054538 to XperNet Services from line item 125-411-569300 [COVID-19].

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

