

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – MAY 6, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 6th day of May 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 9:01 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
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 Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

<i>Judge Trey Duhon – Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Amsler – Yes</i>	<i>Commissioner Smith – Yes</i>
	<i>Commissioner Barnett – Yes</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.gov/swagit.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 29, 2020 Regular Session

3. **Request by County Treasurer for approval of Payroll.**

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

(a) \$9,356.00 for Pay Application No. 1 to Precision Utility from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building].

(b) \$450.00 for Invoice # 26680 to Metro Container LLC from line item 600-600-587521 [Library].

(c) \$7,500.00 for Invoice # 06886 to Brazos Valley Council of Governments from line item 125-525-546900 [BVCOG].

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

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

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

WALLER COUNTY CHILD WELFARE

6. ~~Presentation by Katina Harris on the status of the Child Welfare Board.~~
Item WITHDRAWN.

COUNTY ENGINEER

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 Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

8. Discuss and take action to authorize the County Judge to sign one 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 Smith.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

CONSTRUCTION MANAGER

9. ~~Discuss and take action to approve the bidding process for the Precinct 4 Generator.~~
Item WITHDRAWN.

10. Discuss and take action to approve 2 Year Maintenance Contract for the Septic System at the Precinct 4 building. Contract to be effective at substantial completion date of approximately August 28, 2020.

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

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

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

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

(Agenda Item #10 is revisited by the court and action taken further in the meeting)

MISCELLANEOUS

- 12. Discuss and take action to approve 2020 Agreement between CASA for Kids and Waller County and payment of \$10,000.00. Funds to be paid from line item 125-411-546100 [CASA/Child Advocate] as allocated in the 2020 Budget.

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

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

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

- 13. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$193.50 for invoice # 46184 to Trinicom communications, LLC from line item 125-411-569300 [COVID-19].

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

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

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

- 14. Discuss and take action to amend County policies in relation to COVID-19.

No action taken.

Returned to Agenda Items #10 and #11

- 10. Discuss and take action to approve 2 Year Maintenance Contract for the Septic System at the Precinct 4 building. Contract to be effective at substantial completion date of approximately August 28, 2020.

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

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

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

- 11. Discuss and take action to approve contract with Precision Utility, LLC for maintenance of the water well at the Precinct 4 Annex.

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

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 15. ~~Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071. Item WITHDRAWN.~~

- 16. ~~Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session. Item WITHDRAWN.~~

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to **adjourn** meeting by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Amsler.

Motion carried by 5-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

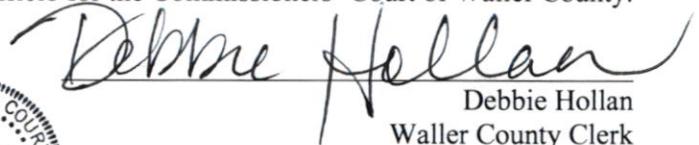
Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

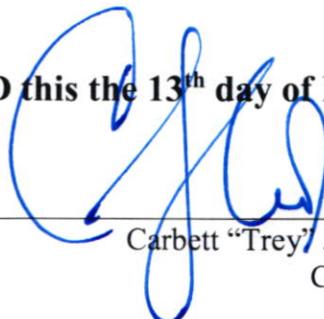
Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 9:32a.m.

I **ATTEST** that the above proceedings are the true and correct minutes taken in my capacity as
Ex-Officio for the Commissioners' Court of Waller County.


Debbie Hollan
Waller County Clerk



APPROVED this the 13th day of May 2020.


Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III
County Judge