

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – JULY 24, 2019

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 24th day of July 2019 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 Beckendorff at 9:01 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
Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4 – *Presiding Judge*
Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

Absent: Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon III, County Judge

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** agenda by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

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** – July 17, 2019 Regular Session

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

(a) ~~\$3,250.00 to Singleton & Sons Funeral Home, Inc. from line item 125-411-561502 [Pauper Burial].~~

(b) \$49,800.00 to EHRA from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building

(c) \$813.75 to Turner Duran Architects from line item 125-600-581610 [Precinct 4 Building]

(d) \$23,762.19 to Brinkley Sargent Wiginton Architects from line item 601-601-545405 [Professional Services Jail].

(e) \$29,957.00 to HTS, Inc. from line item 601-601-545405 [Professional Services Jail].

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

5. **Request by Constable, Precinct 3 for approval of Fixed Asset Transfers.**

6. **Request by Maintenance Department for approval of Fixed Asset Transfers.**

7. Request by County Engineer for the approval of an Access Easement from Barney Cumbess for cleaning outfall ditch on West Brooks Road.

Motion to **approve** consent agenda with the withdrawal of item 3(a) by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried.

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

AUDITOR

8. **Presentation** of 2018 Financial Audit for Waller County, by outside Auditor, Lewis Crain. *No action required.*

9. Discuss and take action to approve the 2018 Financial Audit for Waller County.

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

Motion carried.

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

10. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$14,225.70 to the City of Prairie View for account #0136 from line item 125-411-542600 [Utilities].

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

Motion carried.

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

COUNTY ENGINEER

11. Discuss and take action to approve a variance request to the Subdivision Development Regulations, Engineering Design Standards, by Mr. Douglas Fritzsching.

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

Motion to **approve** variance request by Commissioner Amsler, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent Commissioner Amsler – Yes Commissioner Smith – Yes
Commissioner Barnett – Yes Commissioner Beckendorff – No

12. Discuss and take action to approve a variance request to the Subdivision Development Regulations, Engineering Design Standards, by Ms. Donna Atwell.

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

Motion carried – item TABLED.

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

13. Discuss and take action to approve a variance request to the Subdivision Development Regulations, Engineering Design Standards, by Mr. and Mrs. Bankhead.

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

Motion to **approve** variance request by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Barnett contingent upon their acceptance letter from their HOA.

Motion carried.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 21. Consultation with District Attorney and outside counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071.
- 22. Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session.

No Executive Session needed

ADJOURN MEETING

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

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Absent

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 10:56 a.m.

I ATTEST TO THE ACCURACY OF THE FORGOING MINUTES:

Debbie Hollan

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



APPROVED this the 31st day of July 2019.

Trey Duhon

Carbett “Trey” J. Duhon, III
County Judge