

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER’S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner’s Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 27th day of September 2023 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: Kendric D. Jones, 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 made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

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** – September 20, 2023 Regular Session
3. **Request to approve payment on the following:**
 - (a) \$1,835.30 for Invoice # 14 to King Architectural Consulting Services PLLC from line item 604-604-545405, Business Node from CO’s [Professional Services].
4. **Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.**
5. **Request by County Auditor for approval of official documents and all monthly reports.**
6. **Request by County Engineer to accept a Formal Notice of Proposed Utility Work for American Communications Construction, Inc. to place an Underground Conduit and Fiber Cable within the right-of-way of Joseph Rd at FM 1488 – a distance of approximately 467 feet along the west side of Joseph Rd in Pct. 2.**

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

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

7. Discuss and take action to approve Tax Abatement Agreement with Elin Energy, LLC the tax abatement applicant and tenant of property owned by Welcome Industrial Sub 65 LLC, located at 220 Twinwood Parkway in Brookshire, Texas 77423. The property is in the reinvestment zone known as Waller County Twinwood Business Park Reinvestment Zone 12 (reauthorized May 10, 2023), located south of Interstate 10 and west of Woods Road. Welcome Industrial Sub 65 LLC constructed a 200,000 square foot commercial building with an estimated value of \$5,000,000, and Elin Energy, LLC will install new manufacturing equipment over a ten-year period at an estimated cost of \$35,000,000.

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

TREASURER

8. **Presentation** of TAC Services Overview by Rhita Koches, TAC County Relations Officer.
No action required.

9. Discuss and take action to approve the 2024 Post-65 Group Retiree Healthcare Program.

Commissioner Smith made motion to approve Package #1 as presented, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

COUNTY ENGINEER

10. Discuss and take action to Amend the Backup documents for Item # 7 from Commissioners Court of September 6th 2023 to correct the Vin/Serial to reflect Serial #: 1T0333GMEPF451217 of the 2023 John Deere 333G Track Loader.

Motion made by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

11. Discuss and take action to approve multiple variance requests to the Waller County Subdivision and Development Regulations for Plow Tract in Precinct 4 presented by Jennifer Curtis.

Judge Duhon made motion to approve the 5 variance requests that are attached to the 4 applications on the backup, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Smith – Yes

Commissioner Jones – Absent

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes