

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER’S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 22, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner’s Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 22nd day of December 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 9:03 a.m. with the following members of the Court present to-wit:

Carbett “Trey” J. Duhon III, County Judge
Walter Smith, Commissioner Precinct 2
Kendric D. Jones, Commissioner Precinct 3
Justin Beckendorff, Commissioner Precinct 4
Debbie Hollan, County Clerk

Absent: John A. Amsler, Commissioner Precinct 1

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

1. **Approval of Agenda.**

Motion made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried by 4-0 vote.

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

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://wallercountytexas.com/live>.

The following public members made public comment:

1. Pat Brueger
2. Larry Parr

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 – December 15, 2021 Regular Session
3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Payroll.
4. Request by County Tax Assessor Collector to approve refunds in excess of \$500.00 in accordance with section 31.11 Texas Tax Code.
5. Request by County Treasurer for approval of Treasurer’s Monthly Report.

6. Request by County Treasurer for approval of accounts payable for Retiree Insurance.
7. Request by County Engineer to accept Right-of-Way and/or Exclusive Easement dedications along Woods Rd., from IH-10 southward, necessary to expand the roadway. *(no backup submitted)*
8. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$1,265.00 for Invoice dated December 6, 2021 to Schmidt Funeral Home from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].
 - (b) \$35.00 for Invoice dated December 10, 2021 to Employees Retirement System of Texas from line item 125-411-562300 [County Organizational Dues].
9. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.
10. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable for Construction Projects.
 - (a) ~~\$103,950.23 from line item 125-600-581618 [Waller County Courthouse Renovation & Annex].~~ *Item removed*
 - (b) \$8,006.61 from line item 602-602-581000 [Bldg Purch., Const., or Improv/Jail-Judicial].
 - (c) \$12,285.11 from line item 602-602-581610 [Pct. 4 Building].
11. Request to ratify the following Consent Agenda items from the December 8, 2021 Agenda.
 - (a) Request by County Tax Assessor Collector to approve refunds in excess of \$500.00 in accordance with section 31.11 Texas Tax Code.
 - (b) Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (i) \$31,792.42 for Invoice # 116031 to Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal].
 - (ii) \$1,720.00 for Invoice dated November 18, 2021 to Schmidt Funeral Home from line item 125-411-561502 [Pauper Burial Expense].
 - (iii) \$6,980.00 for Invoice #6560 to Harris County from line item 125-423-540702 [Autopsy].
 - (iv) \$152,201.75 for Invoice # 112221GWA to Waller County Appraisal District from line item 125-437-540500 [Tax Appraisal District].
 - (v) \$5,000.00 for Invoice dated 11/29/2021 to Gulf Coast Rail District from line item 125-401-540900 [Professional Consultant Services].
 - (vi) \$16,773.75 for Invoice # 15204647 to OnSolve LLC for CodeRed from line item 125-411-545001 [Maintenance Contracts].
 - (c) Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.
 - (d) Request by County Engineer to accept Right-of-Way and/or Exclusive Easement dedications along Woods Rd., from IH-10 southward, necessary to expand the roadway. *(no backup submitted)*
 - (e) Request by County Engineer for approval to advertise for the Public Hearing on the installation of “No Thru Trucks” signs on the following road: *(no backup submitted)*
 - Roehen Road – “No Thru Trucks”