

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – MARCH 2, 2016

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 2nd day of March 2016 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 9:00 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
Russell Klecka, 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 Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

1. Constable Hershel Smith addressed the court regarding county emails and his concerns on the accessibility without an open records request.

CONSENT AGENDA (2-5 Items)

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 – February 24, 2016
3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of payroll.
4. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$365.00 for Invoice to Schmidt Funeral Home from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].
 - (b) \$995.00 for Invoice to Magnolia Funeral Home, Inc. from line item 125-423-540705 [Transport to Morgue].
5. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

Motion to **approve** consent agenda items #2-5 by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

TREASURER

6. **Presentation** of the TAC RMP Risk Control Reimbursement Program by Robert Ruiz, Risk Management Consultant, Texas Association of Counties.
No action required.

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

7. Discuss and take action to adopt Ordinance Adopting Extended Operating Hours.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – No* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

CONSTABLE, PRECINCT 3

8. Discuss and take action to approve Official Oath and Bond for Marcus Muhammad as Reserve Deputy Constable for Precinct 3.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

COUNTY ENGINEER

9. Discuss and take action to approve Waller County Fire Code Temporary Event Permit Application Fee of \$300.00.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion to **table** by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Klecka.
Motion carried – Item TABLED.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR

10. Discuss and take action to authorize the County Judge to sign one redemption deed for one property currently held in trust by Waller County.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

LIBRARY

11. Discuss and take action to approve the Business Services Agreement between Consolidated Communications and Waller County for phone and internet services at the Library in Brookshire.
Motion to **approve** by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.
Motion carried.
Judge Trey Duhon – Yes *Commissioner Amsler – Yes* *Commissioner Klecka – Yes*
Commissioner Barnett – Yes *Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR

12. Discuss and take action to consider a countywide food donation program for House of Help coordinated by the Waller County Elections Office.

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

Motion to **withdraw** by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion made by County Judge, seconded by Commissioner Barnett for the County offices that would like to participate to have a bin from the Elections Office to participate in a food drive for House of Help for an approximate 2 week period leading up to the date chosen by House of Help.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

MISCELLANEOUS

13. ~~Discuss and take action to approve Burn Ban.~~
Item WITHDRAWN.

14. Discuss and take action to approve payment of Invoice # TH05055316 for \$11,463.17 to Otis Elevator from line item 125-411-545001 [Maintenance Contracts] for Elevator Maintenance.

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

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

15. Discuss and take action to approve payment to Hills Construction for \$34,828.12 from line item 600-600-587520 [Community Center].

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

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

AUDITOR

16. **Spread** upon the minutes the Certification of Funds for the Texas Indigent Defense Formula Grant, #212-16-237, October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

No action required.

17. Discuss and take action on request by County Auditor to amend the 2016 Grant Budget to create revenue and expense line items to accommodate the Texas Indigent Defense Formula Grant #212-16-237, October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016.

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

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

18. Consultation with District Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation.

Court **convened** to Executive Session at 9:52 a.m.

Court **reconvened** from Executive Session at 10:17 a.m.

19. Reconvene in Open Session to take any action necessary on matters discussed in Executive Session.

No action taken from Executive Session.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to **adjourn** meeting by Commissioner Klecka, seconded by Commissioner Beckendorff.

Motion carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

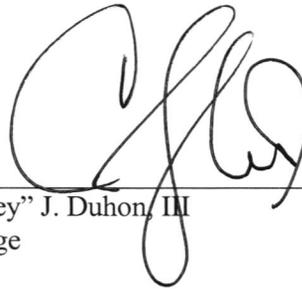
Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

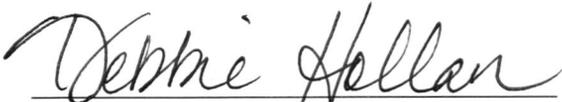
Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 10:17 a.m.

APPROVED this the 9th day of March 2016.



Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III
County Judge

ATTEST:



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

