

**MINUTES**  
**WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**WEDNESDAY – MARCH 23, 2016**

**BE IT REMEMBERED** that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 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**

1. Dr. Denise Mattox voiced her vote of support where the county extended early voting to the Memorial Student Center and would like to have Sunday early voting as well as make sure the polls are open after 5:00 p.m. Dr. Mattox advised the court she will be submitting a petition to the Elections Administrator requesting the same.

**CONSENT AGENDA (2-3 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** – March 16, 2016 Regular Session

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

(a) \$2,887.00 for Invoice # AH011487 to Harris County Treasurer from line item 125-423-540702 [Autopsy].

(b) \$449.00 for Invoice # 16-000133 and \$424.00 for Invoice # 16-000206 for a total of \$873.00 to Travis County Clerk from line item 125-411-561501 [Medical/Commitment Fees].

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

Motion to **approve consent agenda** items #2-4 by Commissioner Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

**Motion carried.**

**COUNTY JUDGE**

- 5. Discuss and take action to accept the donation from “Keep Waller County Beautiful” for \$1,051.15 to line item 125-000-470200 [Donations/Animal Control] and \$1,051.16 to line item 125-000-472210 [County Donations-Recycle 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

(Rosemary Gambino presented check to Joan Sargent, Waller County Treasurer)

**COUNTY ENGINEER**

- 6. Discuss and take action to approve a Utility Permit for CenterPoint Energy on Morton Road.

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

- 7. Discuss and take action to approve an Access Easement from Sylvia Hight for drainage on Bonner Road.

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

- 8. Discuss and take action to approve the Replat of Tuscan Farms Subdivision, Lot 3.

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

**Motion carried.**

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- 9. Discuss and take action to approve the private resale offer for the following property: Lot 37 of Clear Creek Forest Section 6, Waller County, Texas, tax account R16021 in the amount of \$14,003.08 by Mr. Edgar Eden Bazan-Lopez and authorize the County Judge to sign a resale deed for said property to Mr. Edgar Eden Bazan-Lopez.

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

- 10. Discuss and take action to approve the private resale offers for the following properties: Lot 8, Block 11 of Monticello Estates, Waller County, Texas, tax account R23872 in the amount of \$4,942.06; and Lot 9, Block 11 of Monticello Estates, Waller County, Texas, tax account R23874 in the amount of \$3,945.06; both by Mr. Edgar Eden Bazan-Lopez and authorize the County Judge to sign a resale deed for said properties to Mr. Edgar Eden Bazan-Lopez.

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*

11. Discuss and take action to approve proposal from Johnston LLC for Library design.

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

Motion to **table** agenda item by Commissioner Amsler, seconded by Commissioner Klecka.

**Motion carried – Item TABLED.**

*Judge Trey Duhon – Yes*

*Commissioner Amsler – Yes*

*Commissioner Klecka – Yes*

*Commissioner Barnett – Yes*

*Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes*

12. Discuss and take action to approve the appointment of John Amsler to the Long Range Planning Committee.

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*

13. Discuss and take action to approve payment of \$2,025.00 for Invoice # 106369 to Fritz, Byrne, Head & Fitzpatrick, PLLC from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal] Pintail Landfill.

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**

14. Discuss and take action to approve the opening of the regular 19 Election Day polling locations and to set the number of pollworkers per Election Day polling place at 2 per party (including judges).

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 early voting dates and hours for the May 24, 2016 primary runoff election, and to approve 2 pollworkers for each location, 1 from each party, to be paid \$10/hr.

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*

16. Discuss and take action to approve the rate of pay for early voting pollworkers at \$10/hr. for judges and lead clerks, and \$9/hr. for clerks, to pay for up to 3 hours training, and to supplement the State rate of pay of election day pollworkers at the rate of \$1/hr. for clerks and \$2/hr. for judges and lead clerks for the primary runoff election.

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

17. Discuss and take action to approve rental of 2 Uhaul trucks and hiring of 2 setup teams, up to 2 people each, for early voting and Election Day setup.

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

18. Discuss and take action to approve 4 total early voting ballot board workers and 4 Central Counting Station workers.

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

19. Discuss and take action to appoint Dan Teed as the central counting station supervisor.

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**

20. Consultation with District Attorney about pending or contemplated litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071.

21. 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 Beckendorff, seconded by Commissioner Barnett.

**Motion carried.**

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

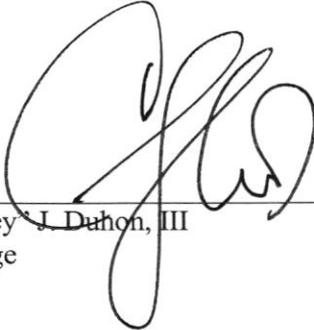
Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

Meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 10:32 a.m.

**APPROVED** this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2016.

  
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Carbett "Trey" J. Duhon, III  
County Judge

ATTEST:



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

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