

MINUTES
WALLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT
REGULAR SESSION
WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 21, 2016

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Waller County, Texas, met in **REGULAR SESSION** on Wednesday, the 21st day of December 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 Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Pat Bruegger commented to the court regarding the Waller County Child Welfare Board.
2. Christin McCumber addressed the court with her concerns regarding the Waller County Child Welfare Board.

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 – December 14, 2016 Regular Session
3. Request by County Treasurer for approval of payroll.
4. Request to approve payment on the following:
 - (a) \$262.50 for Invoice # 108357 to Fritz, Byrne, Head & Gilstrap, PLLC from line item 125-411-540300 [Legal] Pintail Landfill.
 - (b) \$3,281.59 for Invoice # 0003529 to Johnston, LLC from line item 600-600-587520 [Community Center] for Professional Services November 1 – November 30, 2016.
5. Discuss and take action to approve a Utility Permit for repair of a water line in the ROW of Clear Creek Rd.
6. Request by County Auditor for approval and/or ratification of Accounts Payable.

Motion to **approve consent agenda items** 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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

7. Discuss and take action to approve Tax Abatement Agreement for Speculative Building between Waller County and Alegacy Development, LLC, and authorize County Judge to sign the Agreement.

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

Motion to **amend item subject to approval from the City of Waller** by Commissioner Barnett, seconded by Commissioner Klecka.

Amendment carried.

Judge Trey Duhon – Yes

Commissioner Amsler – Yes

Commissioner Klecka – Yes

Commissioner Barnett – Yes

Commissioner Beckendorff – Yes.

Amended 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 2017 Agreement between Waller County and the Waller County Economic Development Partnership.

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

Advanced to Agenda Item #17

COUNTY JUDGE

9. **Presentation** of collection report by Otilia Gonzales of Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott LLP on delinquent taxes and fine and fee collection.
No action required.

10. **Spread** upon the minutes that Chris Lee, Sam Eng, Marvin Hood, and George Wong (Associate Member) are the only current members of the Child Welfare Board who were legally appointed by Commissioners Court in 2014 and that Rebecca Dickson, the alleged Chairperson of the Child Welfare Board, has not been a legal member of the Child Welfare Board since at least 2014.

No action required.

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11. Discuss and take action to appoint additional members to the Child Welfare Board, effective January 1, 2017.

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

Vote to appoint **Miss Jan Harris.**

Motion carried.