## SPECIAL MEETING AUGUST 8, 2019

Be it remembered on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of august 2019 at 10:04 o'clock A.M., there was Begun and Holden a Special Meeting of the Commissioner's Court in the Courthouse, in the town of Farwell, with the following members present, To-wit:

Kirk Frye Charles Wilkins Casey Russell Trey Ellis Sharon May Susie Spring Commissioner Pct. #1 Commissioner Pct. #2 Commissioner Pct. #4 Judge

County Treasurer County Clerk

Also Present: Altha Herington

When the following was had and done, To-wit:

Discussion was held on the initial proposal for the 2020 County Budget. A discussion was held on the difference between the revenue of the current tax rate verses the effective tax rate.

The proposed expenditures for each county office and each precinct were discussed line by line.

After the review, Judge Ellis made a motion to keep the current tax rate for 2020 and give the county employees a pay raise of 5% with the exclusion of the County Judge, four Commissioners and the County Attorney receiving no pay raise. Receiving no second, the discussion returned to the 2020 Budget.

After additional discussion of the budget, Commissioner Frye made a motion to break for lunch. The motion was seconded by Judge Ellis, the motion passed at 12:21 PM.

At 12:30 the meeting was called back in session as no one wanted to come back later this afternoon. Additional discussion was held on the 2020 Budget.

After continued discussion of the budget and tax rate, Commissioner Frye seconded the motion made earlier by Judge Ellis to keep the tax at the current rate and give the county employees a 5% raise. The vote was three to one in favor with Judge Ellis, Commissioner Frye and Commissioner Russell voting in the affirmative and Commissioner Wilkins voting nay. Motion passed.

The proposed budget will be made available for next Monday's regular Commissioners' Court meeting and after that in the County Clerk's office and on the County's website for public review.

A motion to adjourn was made by Judge Ellis, seconded by Commissioner Russell. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 PM.

County Clerk

County Judge