

This option would entail Cargill buying land for the Right of Way for the proposed ramps for the crossing and donating it to the County to give to the DOT for usage. There are several options for funding available from the State and also federal funds possibly accessible by BNSF railroad.

Mr. Pohlman said Cargill is requesting support from the County in pursuing this effort. Judge Ellis made a motion for the County to support Cargill in the endeavor to obtain an overpass that would crossover at County Road 15 but still leave that intersection open for farm equipment. Seconded by White, motion carried.

5. Read and Approve Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Motion by Wilkins, seconded by White to approve the Minutes from the September 23, 2019 Regular Meeting. Motion passed.

6. Consider Approval and Payment of the Accounts Payable – Sharon May

Sharon May reported the Accounts Payable List for September 25th and 30th and October 3rd and 5th . Motion by Wilkins, seconded by Russell to approve Payment of the Accounts Payable. Motion carried. See attached.

7. Consider Treasurer’s Report-Sharon May

Motion by White, seconded by Russell to approve the Treasurer’s Payroll Report for September 30th and October 15th . Motion carried. See attached.

8. Consider Resolution Casting Votes to Elect Directors to Serve on the Parmer County Appraisal District Board for 2020/2021

Judge Ellis made the motion to split the 1505 votes between candidate Brenna Burch from Lazbuddie and Jeff Stillman from Bovina with 752 and 753 respectively, Wilkins seconded and the motion passed.

9. Consider Resolution to Adopt the ExpressVoting System for the November 5, 2019 Election

A motion was made by White, seconded by Russell to approve the Resolution to adopt the ExpressVoting System for the November 5, 2019 Special Election for Early Voting and Election Day Voting and all subsequent elections. Motion carried.

10. Consider Workman's Compensation for Volunteer Fire Departments within the County not Associated with a City

Upon motion by Judge Ellis, seconded by Wilkins to continue providing Workman's Compensation for the County Volunteer Fire Departments not associated with a city the motion carried.

11. Consider Resolution for the 2020 Indigent Defense Grant Program

This grant program assists the county in the implementation and the improvement of the indigent criminal defense services for the county. Upon motion by White, seconded by Russell to approve this Resolution, the motion passed.

12. Consider Any and All Matters Concerning the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center

A. Consider Acceptance of Donations to the National Night Out

Sheriff Geries reported that the National Night Out was a success. He reported a number of in kind donations for example, the bread, cups, t-shirts, bicycles, etc. He reported the following in monetary donations: Affordable Bail Bonds \$200, Security State Bank \$200, Hunan Restaurant \$100, AIM bank \$250, Friona Interbank \$50.

On motion by White, seconded by Russell to accept the monetary donations, the motion passed.

B. Consider Modification to Cell Phone Allocations with the Sheriff's Office

The Sheriff explained a new state wide program, First Net a government sponsored backbone network for first responders consisting of a band 14 in the panhandle unavailable to civilians. AT&T has won the bid from the state and Sheriff Geries proposes ceasing the stipend paid to Deputies for their personal cell phone and purchasing through First Net cell phones for work related purposes only that would allow contact with dispatch and each other during regular times and also at times of emergencies.

He explained the cost would be offset by the stipend money, but would be an additional \$7 per phone and \$37 per month for dispatch to be able to equip the phones with a "push to talk" feature.

Upon motion by Judge Ellis to allow the sheriff to implement this change for the Sheriff, his staff, the Judge and Emergency Manager, John Gurley, seconded by Russell, the motion carried.

With no further business to come before the court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Wilkins seconded and adjournment was called at 12:25 o'clock A.M.

Sue Spry
County Clerk



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County Judge