

REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 23 2021

Be it remembered on the 23RD day of July 2021 at 10:04 o'clock A.M., there was Begun and Holden a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court in the Courthouse, in the town of Farwell, with the following members present, To-wit:

Kirk Frye	Commissioner Pct. #1
Kenny White	Commissioner Pct. #3
Charles Wilkins	Commissioner Pct. #2
Casey Russell	Commissioner Pct. #4
Trey Ellis	Judge
Sharon May	County Treasurer
Susie Spring	County Clerk

Also present: Altha Herington

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

Call to Order

1. Prayer

Commissioner White led the Court in prayer to begin the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag

The Court pledged their allegiance to the flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Open Forum for Public Comments

No members of the public had comments.

4. Read and Approve Minutes from the Previous Meeting.

Upon motion to approve the minutes with one correction by Wilkins, seconded by Russell, the motion passed.

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

Sharon May reported the Accounts Payable List for August 11th and 23rd Motion by Frye, seconded by Russell to approve payment of the Accounts Payables as presented. Motion carried. See attached.

6. Consider Treasurer's Payroll Report-Sharon May

Motion by Wilkins, seconded by Frye to approve the Treasurer's Payroll Report for August 13, 2021. Motion carried. See attached.

7. Consider Order for Special Election Constitutional Amendments for November 2, 2021

Upon motion by Frye to approve the order for the special election, seconded by White, the motion passed.

8. Consider Reappointment of Robert White to Serve on the Central Plains Center Board

After discussion of Mr. White's past service on the Board upon motion by Russell to reappoint him to the Central Plains Center Board, seconded by White, the motion passed. See attached.

9. Consider Water Line under County Road

Mike Beauchamp has applied to the Commissioner's Court to place a water line under CR R and 17. Upon motion by Frye, seconded by Wilkins to approve placement of the line, the motion passed see attached.

10. Consider Bond for District Clerk Deputy

Upon motion by Frye to approve the bond for Rose Longley, seconded by White, the motion passed.

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

Sheriff Geries reported 25 inmates as of today. With 7 housed for Deaf Smith and 1 continuing to be housed by Lubbock County.

He reported that he has an open position in the jail for a records manager but the job has not been posted yet.

At 10:54 AM, Judge Ellis made a motion for a temporary adjournment to begin the budget Workshop. Russell seconded and the motion passed.

Judge Ellis called the budget workshop portion of the meeting to order at 10:55 AM. All Commissioners, the Treasurer and the County Clerk were again present; as was Altha Herington.

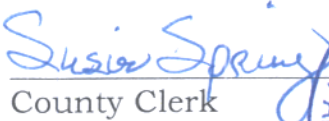
A lengthy discussion was held in regard to the proposed budget and the tax rate. Several options were discussed until a consensus was reached. Judge Ellis made a motion to adjourn the Budget Workshop portion of the meeting and return to the Regular Session, Russell seconded and the motion passed.

At 12:15 PM Judge Ellis called the regular meeting back into session.

Commissioner White made the motion to set the tax rate at the Voter Approved Tax rate of .5334. This rate consists of the following: General Tax rate .3982 Farm to Market Tax Rate of .1100 and Interest and Sinking Fund of .0252. Judge Ellis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with all Commissioners and the Judge voting in favor of the motion.

Judge Ellis stated he would set the Public Hearing for 9:30 AM on September 13, 2021 prior to the Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court at 10 AM on that day.

With no further business to come before the court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Russell seconded and adjournment was called at 12:36 o'clock P.M.


County Clerk




County Judge