

## REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 13, 2021

Be it remembered on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December 2021 at 10:07 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
Sharon May	County Treasurer
Susie Spring	County Clerk

Members Absent:

Trey Ellis	Judge
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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 one from the public was in attendance.

#### 4. Read and Approve Minutes from the Previous Meeting.

Upon motion to approve the minutes from November 22, 2021 by Russell, seconded by Wilkins the motion passed.

Upon motion to approve the minutes from December 6, 2021 by White, 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 November 24<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> . Motion by Wilkins 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 White, seconded by Russell to approve the Treasurer’s Payroll Report for November 30, 2021. Motion carried. See attached.

7. Consider Order to Approve Online Education for County Commissioners

Commissioner Frye presented the Order to accept online education for the Commissioners. This is necessary because of an amendment by the 87<sup>th</sup> State Legislature to LGC 81.0025 (b). Upon a motion to approve this order by White, seconded by Russell, the motion passed. The Order will be filed with the Commissioners Education Committee of the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas.

8. Consider three Applications for Water Lines Under County Roads

Commissioner Frye presented three applications as follows:

Water Line under CR T and 200 yds. South on CR 15

8” Water Line approximately a quarter mile west of CR 23 and CR Q

10” Water Line approximately .46 miles west of the intersection of CR 20 and CR R.

Upon a motion to approve all three applications by Frye, seconded by Russell, the motion was approved.

9. Consider Fiber Optic Cable Under County Road

Upon reviewing this request, it was ascertained that the road is a private road and not a County Road. Thus, the Commissioners took no action on this agenda item.

10. Consider Request from Parmer County Employees for Payment on Unused Vacation Hours.

Considerable discussion was held on this item. The Commissioners addressed the fact that this is not budget money. They discussed the fact that hours could be carried over to the next year and taken as vacation at that time. The Commissioners were reluctant to approve hours for pay

that could be rolled over. Upon motion by Russell to approve 40 hours each for the four employees requesting the payment, seconded by White, the motion passed.

The Commissioners expressed a desire to address this issue in the Employee Handbook during the first two months of 2022, in order to clarify this issue.

11. Consider Rescheduling the December 27<sup>th</sup> Commissioners Court to December 21<sup>st</sup>

Upon a motion from Wilkins to approve the meeting change, seconded by Frye, the motion passed.

12. Consider 2021 Fire Reports

After review of all reports the following number of calls were approved:

Bovina-28  
Farwell-31  
Friona-45  
Lazbuddie-31  
Rhea-Hollene-6

Resulting in the following dollar amounts:

Bovina-\$8295.00  
Farwell-\$9183.75  
Friona-\$13,331.25  
Lazbuddie-\$9183.75

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

Sheriff Gerries reported 34 total inmates as of today. One is still housed in Lubbock due to be transferred today, and 10 are being housed for Deaf Smith County.

He informed the Court that longtime employee, Rhonda Webb will be retiring effective January 31, 2022.

He reported that he is beginning the process to switch over the entire Courthouse to the new phone system.

With no further business to come before the Court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Russell seconded and adjournment was called at 11:53 o'clock A.M.

*Susan Spring*  
County Clerk



*Kirk Fry*  
Commissioner Pct. 1