

## REGULAR MEETING MAY 23, 2022

Be it remembered on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2022 at 10:00 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:

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

Also Present:

Eric Geske, Sheriff  
Izzy Carrasco  
Wendy Case  
Janelle Duffey

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

### **Call to Order**

#### 1. Prayer

Judge Ellis 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 made comments.

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

Upon motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on May 9, 2022 by White, seconded by Wilkins, the motion passed.

Upon motion to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting on May 16, 2022 by Frye, 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 May 13<sup>th</sup> , 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> . Motion by Russell seconded by Wilkins 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 Frye to approve the Treasurer’s Payroll Report for May 13, 2022. Motion carried. See attached.

7. Consider Vehicles for Extension Office and Juvenile Probation Office

Judge Ellis informed the Court that Janelle Duffey contacted him with concerns of transporting seven children to College Station in the Suburban the Extension Offices uses that has over 200,000 miles. The Judge proposed that the Court facilitate the transfer of the 2014 Suburban from the Sheriff’s Office prior to this trip.

Discussion was held and Commissioner White made the motion for the 2014 Suburban be transferred to the Extension Office and the older Suburban transferred to the Sheriff to use as a trade in on the unit he has ordered. Commissioner Frye seconded and the motion passed.

Judge Ellis reported he had talked with Bailey County in regard to a vehicle for the Juvenile Probation Office and they have agreed to pay their 40% share. He stated he wanted to present this to the Juvenile Board to make sure the understanding was that they would provide gas and upkeep to the vehicle. The vehicle in discussion is the Traverse that the Sheriff’s Office also has plans to trade in.

Upon motion from Commissioner Wilkins to table this issue until further discussions can be held, seconded by Commissioner White, the motion passed.

8. Consider Bonds for County Clerk Deputy and County Treasurer Deputy

Upon presentation of the bonds for BreAnn Saenz and Luciana Martinez, Commissioner Frye made a motion to approve them. Commissioner Russell seconded and the motion passed.

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

Sheriff Geske reported 41 total inmates as of today, 25 of which are being housed for Deaf Smith County.

Sheriff Geske reported on a very busy weekend for first responders in Parmer County. At approximately 7 PM a grass fire was reported south of Cargill. It covered a wide area and smoke reduced visibility on Hwy 60 and it was closed both Friday night and again early Saturday morning as the fire re-ignited. He reported that the county wide response was improving in regard to the incident command structure but that using different radio frequencies is still problematic.

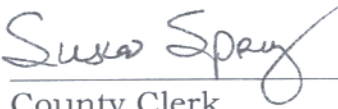
During the fire incident, due to the poor visibility, two 18 wheelers wrecked on Hwy. 60. One was completely consumed by fire.

He also reported on a kidnapping; murder-suicide that appeared to begin in Friona and ended in Castro County with the discovery of two bodies. Texas Rangers are conducting an investigation.

Judge Ellis reminded everyone to get their budgets turned in by June 13<sup>th</sup>

Sharon May reminded everyone that the auditors would be onsite June 13-17.

With no further business to come before the Court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Russell seconded and adjournment was called at 11:19 o'clock A.M.

  
County Clerk



  
County Judge