## **REGULAR SESSION MEETING JUNE 26 2023**

Be it remembered on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023 at 10:05 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:

Isabel Izzy Carrasco

Judge

Kirk Frye Kenny White Charles Wilkins Sharon May

Commissioner Pct. #1 Commissioner Pct. #3 Commissioner Pct. #2 County Treasurer

Susie Spring

County Clerk

Absent:

Casey Russell

Commissioner Pct. #4

Also Present:

Mario Vidaurri, Chief Deputy Sheriff Awyna Sanchez, Tax Assessor-Collector

Amy Dudley

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

## Call to Order

1. Prayer

Commissioner Frye 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

There were no comments from the public.

4. Consider and Discuss Bids to Chip Seal and Re-Build Shoulder for CR 19 & CR G

Only one bid was received by the deadline. Judge Carrasco opened the bid from Bermea Construction Inc. The proposal calls for shoulder repair as well as chip sealing. The proposed price is \$62,900.00. On a motion from commissioner Frye to accept the bid, seconded by Commissioner White, the motion passed by majority vote. See Attached.

5. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

Upon motion to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting on June 12, 2023, by Commissioner Wilkins seconded by Commissioner Frye, the motion passed by majority vote.

6. Consider Approval and Payment of Accounts Payable-Sharon May

Sharon May reported the Accounts Payable List for June 26, 2023. Motion by Commissioner Frye, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins to approve Payment of the Accounts Payable as presented. Motion carried by majority vote. See attached.

7. Consider Treasurer's Payroll Report-Sharon May

Commissioner White made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Payroll Report for June 15, 2023 Commissioner Frye seconded and the motion passed by majority vote. See attached.

8. Consider and Discuss Covered Parking Structure for the Courthouse

Judge Carrasco stated that part of the discussion while the security audit was taking place, was to close off the radio tower and have secure parking for Judges and elected officials.

He is proposing a covered parking area at the back of the Courthouse next to the radio tower for that purpose.

After discussion, Commissioner Wilkins made a motion to table this issue until more information from the security audit became available. Commissioner Frye seconded and the motion passed with a majority vote.

 $9.\,$  Consider and Discuss Item Change Purchased with ARPA Funds for the Farwell Fire Department

The Farwell Fire Department has an approval from the Commissioners' Court to spend \$20,000.00 from the ARPA funds. Originally, they requested bunker gear. They have reconsidered and are now ordering only a portion of the bunker gear and request to spend the remaining money on radios. They will stay within the approved amount.

On a motion by Commissioner White to approve the substitution, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, the motion was approved by a majority vote.

10. Consider and Discuss Lease Agreement between Parmer County and Efrain Balli

Commissioner Wilkins made the motion to extend the existing lease agreement for the land utilized for roll off boxes in Pct. 1. Commissioner Frye seconded and the motion passed by majority vote. See attached.

11. Consider and Discuss Painting Kitchen in the Old Jail

Judge Carrasco informed the Commissioners that he would like to paint the kitchen in the old jail that is utilized as a break room by employees. He stated that the payment would be made out of the Courthouse improvement fund.

Commissioner White made a motion to approve the project. Commissioner Wilkins seconded and the motion passed by majority vote.

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

Mario Vidaurri, Chief Deputy presented the statistics in the Sheriff's absence. The Chief deputy stated that the Parmer County jail is housing 35 inmates. 20 are Parmer County inmates. 9 are from Dawson County and 6 are from Lubbock County.

He informed the Court that the Sheriff's Office had hired a new jailor and an opening remains for another jailor.

With no further business to come before the Court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Wilkins seconded and adjournment was called at 10:50 o'clock A.M.

County Clerk

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County Judge