

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

September 27, 2022

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on September 27, 2022, with the following members present:

1. Judge Downing A. Bolls Jr., County Judge
2. Randall D. Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1
3. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
4. Brad Birchum, Commissioner, Precinct 3
5. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

At which the following motions were heard:

1. Judge Bolls convened the Court in open session at 9:00 a.m.

2. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4 gave the invocation and Commissioner Williams led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Commissioner Kyle Kendrick made a motion to approve the previous minutes of the meeting and adopt today's agenda as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

4. Judge Bolls presentation of Service Awards
Recognition of Department heads retiring on September 30, 2022
Judge Sparky Dean- JP 1-2 9 Years of Service
Judge Bob Shea- JP 3 9 Years of Service
Larry G. Bevill- County Clerk 38 Years of Service

5. Public Comment Pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.007 of items listed on this agenda. No one wished to speak.

6. Consider approval of budget transfers, if any. None to consider.

7. Consider approval of bills for payment and ratify payroll

Bills from the following funds were presented by the Auditor. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. Settlement Proceeds
3. CC Rest Fees
4. ARPA Local
5. D. A. Special
6. D. A. Seizure
7. Election Subsidy
8. Juvenile Educ Srvcs
9. Juvenile Local
10. Jail Commissary
11. Juvenile TDA Grant
12. Road and Bridge
13. Historic CH Rest
14. State Fees
15. Self-Insurance
16. Employee Benefit
17. Payroll Clearing

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the bills for payment and ratify payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum. Commissioner Williams requested the court to exclude an item billed to Precinct 1 from line 7410 and the Court address that at a later date.

Commissioner Statler amended his motion to exclude the item from precinct 1 on line 7410 until the Court address that at a later time. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Consider approval of the August 2022 Treasurer's Report and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approval of August 2022 Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Consider approval of the FY2023 Taylor County Compensation and Classification Matrix and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve of the FY2023 Taylor County Compensation and Classification Matrix. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

10. Consider approval of paying out Year-End-Comp Time Accruals and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve paying out Year-End-Comp Time Accruals and any appropriate action. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. Consider approval of agreement with Tyler Technologies for Client Success Management and Consulting services for County Clerk's office and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the agreement with Tyler Technologies for Client Success Management and Consulting services for County Clerk's office as presented and outlined by the former clerk Mr. Bevill. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

12. Consider approval of an Interlocal Agreement for funding of the Community Partners Coordinator for the Abilene Rainbow Room through Department of Family Protective Services.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve Interlocal Agreement for funding of the Community Partners Coordinator for the Abilene Rainbow Room through Department of Family Protective Services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

13. Consider approval of Memorandum of Understanding between Helen Farabee Centers subcontracting with Abilene Recovery Council and Taylor County for purpose of providing intervention, treatment and recovery programs for substance misuse. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Helen Farabee Centers subcontracting with Abilene Recovery Council and Taylor County for purpose of providing intervention, treatment and recovery programs for substance misuse. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

14. Consider approval of bond cancellation for Taylor County Clerk, Larry G. Bevill effective at end of business September 30, 2022 and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the bond cancellation for Taylor County Clerk, Larry G. Bevill effective at end of business September 30, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

15. Consider approval of Right of Way applications from FiberLights LLC for fiber optics in Precinct 1 & 2 and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the Right of Way applications from FiberLights LLC for fiber optics in Precinct 1 & 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

16. Consider approval of final plat of Baxter Addition off of Hwy 83 located in Precinct 3 and any appropriate action. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the final plat of Baxter Addition off of Hwy 83 located in Precinct 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

17. Consider approval of preliminary plat of Wild Horse Trails located in Precinct 3 and any appropriate action. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the preliminary plat of Wild Horse Trails located off of FM 613 in Precinct 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

18. Discuss and Consider approval of waiving County development and septic fees for the victims who lost their homes in the Mesquite Heat Fire and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve of waiving County development and septic fees for the victims who lost their homes in the Mesquite Heat Fire. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

19. Consider approval of Layer 2 switches for County IT infrastructure using ARPA (SLFRF) Funds and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve of Layer 2 switches for County IT infrastructure using ARPA (SLFRF) Funds that was recommended by the ARPA committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

20. Discuss and Consider drought conditions on outdoor burning and implementing a possible burn ban and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to implement a burn ban expiring December 26, 2022 due to current drought conditions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

21. Commissioner Birchum made a motion for Mr. Hicks, County District Attorney to stay for Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously

In Accordance with Government Code 551.074, Regarding Personnel Matters, CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to convene in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum, and carried unanimously. Court went into Executive Session at 10:00 a.m.

Convene in Executive Session

22. RECONVENE in Open Session and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to reconvene. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. Court reconvened at 10:43 a.m.

No decisions or votes were made in Executive Session

23. Consider approval of letter of retirement from Cathy Taff, Human Resource/Risk Management Director and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the letter of retirement from Cathy Taff, Human Resource/Risk Management Director. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

24. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 11th day of October, 2022.

Brandi DeRemer
County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

Dwight A. Boles
County Judge, Taylor County, Texas