

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

June 23, 2020

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on June 23, 2020, with the following members present:

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

When the following motions were heard:

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

2. Jeff Reid, Associate Pastor of Pioneer Drive Baptist Church gave the invocation and Commissioner Birchum led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held on June 9th and 15th, 2020 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of June 23, 2020 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

4. Judge Bolls presented a Service Award to an employee who has given 25 years and more service to Taylor County

Janell Williams	Juvenile Justice Center	25 years
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5. Bills from the following funds were presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve payment of the bills and ratify the payroll. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. JP 1-1 Tech Fees
3. Election Contracts
4. Juvenile Educ Srvcs
5. Juvenile TDA Grant
6. Juvenile Local
7. Jail Commissary
8. Road and Bridge
9. Expo Bond – 17

- 10. State Fees
- 11. Self-Insurance
- 12. Employee Benefit
- 13. Payroll Clearing

- 6. Public Comment in accordance with Local Government Code 551.007

No member of the public wished to speak at this time. No member of the public spoke to any specific item during the individual item discussion and motions.

- 7. Consider approval of May 2020 Treasurer's Report and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 8. Consider approval of Right of Way Application for WesTex Telco to run data lines on CR 505, 510, 520 and Elmdale Rd. in Precinct 2 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the Right of Way Application for WesTex Telco to run data lines on CR 505, 510, 520 and Elmdale Rd. in Precinct 2. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 9. Consider approval of Right of Way Application for Potosi Water Supply Corp. to run water lines on CR 107-Potosi Rd. in Precinct 4 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the request for the Right of Way Application for Potosi Water Supply Corp. to run the water line on CR 107 also known as Potosi Rd. in Precinct 4. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 10. Consider approval of a designating officer to fulfill the requirements of Truth-In-Taxation calculations and postings that are required in Texas Property Tax Code 26 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to grant Elijah Anderson's request as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

(Clerks Note: Elijah Anderson, County Auditor requested the Court appoint Gary Earnest Chief Appraiser of the Taylor County Appraisal District. Commissioner Williams's motion was to approve that requested appointment.)

11. Consider approval of reappointment of Dr. Michael Whitehorn and Ms. Melissa Irby to another 2 year term to the Betty Hardwick Center Board of Trustees effective Sept. 1, 2020 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the reappointment of Dr. Michael Whitehorn and Ms. Melissa Irby to another 2 year term on the Betty Hardwick Center Board of Trustees. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

12. Consider award of I.T.B. 2020-103 to remodel five courtrooms at 300 Oak St. and any appropriate action

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to award I.T.B. 2020-103 to Fletco Services to remodel five courtrooms at 300 Oak St. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

13. Consider award of I.T.B. 2020-104 to add two new restrooms at 300 Oak St. and any appropriate action

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to award I.T.B. 2020-104 to add two new restrooms at 300 Oak St. to Mulltex Mechanical. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

14. Consider specifications and advertising for R.F.P. 2020-502 Jail Facility Control Systems Retro-Fit and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve specifications and advertising for R.F.P. 2020-502 Jail Facility Control Systems Retro-Fit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

15. Declare Salvage Property and any appropriate action

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to declare salvage property as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

16. Accept donation of forklift from Taylor County Expo Center to Precinct 2 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept the donation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

17. Consider approval of the FY20 Annual Road Reports for each Commissioner Precinct and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to accept the Precinct 1 Road Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept the Precinct 2 Road Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to accept the Road Report from Precinct 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the Precinct 4 Road Report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

18. Discuss and consider drought conditions on outdoor burning and possible burn ban and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to reinstitute the burn ban. The motion died for lack of a second. The Court took no further action. [Exhibit]

19. Discuss and consider extending Taylor County Disaster Declaration due to COVID-19 spread and imminent threat to public health and safety of our community and employees and any appropriate action

Judge Bolls made a motion to leave the Disaster Declaration in place. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

20. Consider acceptance of a grant award from Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation for a full restoration of the 1915 Taylor County Courthouse and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to accept the grant award from Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation for a full restoration of the 1915 Taylor County Courthouse. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

21. Discuss and consider funding options for County infrastructure repairs on Law Enforcement Center and county portions of funding for 1915 Taylor County Courthouse restoration and any appropriate action

After discussion, no action was taken. [Exhibit]

22. FY21 Budget Discussion and any appropriate action

After discussion, no action was taken.

23. RECESS until 2:00 p.m.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to stand in recess until 2:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

24. RECONVENE in Regular Session

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to reconvene in regular session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. The Court was in Regular Session at 2:07p.m.

25. In accordance With Government Code §551.074, Regarding Personnel Matters, CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

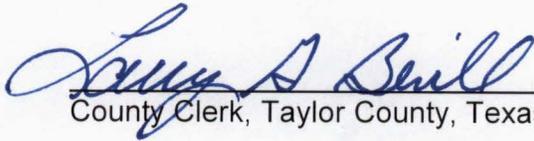
Judge Bolls convened the Court in Executive Session.

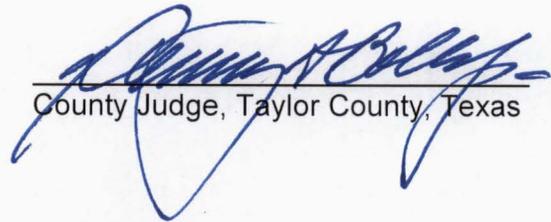
26. RECONVENE in Open Session and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to reconvene in open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The Court was in Open Session at 4:02 p.m.

27. Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:03 p.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 7th day of July, 2020.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

