

## Taylor County Commissioners' Court

October 13, 2020

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on October 13, 2020, with the following members present:

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

When the following motions were heard:

1. Judge Bolls convened the Court in a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. to discuss the mandatory payment rate for the Taylor County Local Provider Participation Fund (LPPF) for Fiscal Year 2021.

Commissioner Statler made a motion to convene in a public hearing to discuss the mandatory payment rate for the Taylor County Local Provider Participation Fund for Fiscal Year 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

Matt Gilbert representing plan participants spoke in favor of the LPPF, explained its purpose and the necessity for the proposed rate of 4.160%

No other member of the public wished to speak.

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 9:05 a.m.

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2. Judge Bolls convened the Court in open session at 9:05 a.m.

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3. Paul Matta, Community Pastor 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.

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4. Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on September 29, 2020 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of October 13, 2020 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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5. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve budget adjustments and transfers as recommended by the Auditor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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6. 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. Election Subsidy

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7. Consider approval of an Order establishing the mandatory payment rate for Fiscal Year 2021 Taylor County Health Care Provider Participation Program and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the Order establishing the mandatory payment rate for FY21 Taylor County Health Care Provider Participation Program at the recommended rate 4.160%. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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8. Consider approval of hospital and medical services agreement with Hendrick Medical Center for inmate care and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the hospital and medical services agreement with Hendrick Medical Center for inmate care and authorize the County Judge to sign the agreement on behalf of Taylor County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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9. Consider approval of 2021 Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the 2021 Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Fund as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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10. Consider approval of the payment of overtime earned related to holding court activities at the Expo Center and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the payment of overtime earned, following the usual 86 hour policy, related to holding court activities and jury selection at the Expo Center. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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11. Consider the payment of comp time balances at the end of the fiscal year and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to pay down the comp time balances at the end of the fiscal year as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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12. Consider continuation of overtime payment for hours worked due to short staff in law enforcement offices and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to continue to cover overtime pay for hours worked due to short staff in the law enforcement offices. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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13. Consider approval of the updated 2021 Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) Plan for Taylor County and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the updated 2021 Texas County and District Retirement System Plan as presented and budgeted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried on a vote of 3-0. Commissioner Williams recused himself from voting due to being a current Taylor County retiree. [Exhibit]

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14. Consider renewal of Sheriff's Office Crime Bond Policy for a 3 year renewal cycle and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to renew the Sheriff's Office Crime Bond Policy for the next 3 years as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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15. Consider approval of revisions to Chapter 3 & 17 of the Policy and Procedures Manual and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the revisions to the Policy and Procedures Manual specifically Chapters three and seventeen with the noted corrections and adjustments made during the presentation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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16. Consider award of I.T.B. 2020-105 Law Enforcement Center Structural Repairs and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve and award I.T.B. 2020-105 Law Enforcement Center Structural Repairs; the bidder is Restocon and also allow 20% or \$30,000.00 contingency for the project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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17. Consider approval of MOU's with Abilene Recovery Council for OSAR (Outreach, Screening, Assessment and Referral) Program and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the MOU with Abilene Recovery Council for OSAR, Outreach, Screening, Assessment and Referral as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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18. Consider approval of FY2021 Cybersecurity Training with Texas Association of Counties for Taylor County employees to meet requirements of state law, Tex. Gov't Code 2054.5191 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the FY2021 Cybersecurity Training with Texas Association of Counties for Taylor County employees to meet the state law, Texas Government Code 2054.5191. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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19. Consider approval of reappointment of Glen Dromgoole and Commissioner Chuck Statler to the Abilene-Taylor County Venue District Board to serve a two year term and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the reappointment of Glen Dromgoole and Chuck Statler on the Venue District Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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20. Discuss and Consider plat and subdivision fees of a flat filing fee for recording and increase in development fees and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the plat and subdivision fee schedule as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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21. Consider extending Declaration of Disaster due to COVID-19 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the revisions and extending the Declaration of Disaster due to COVID-19. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

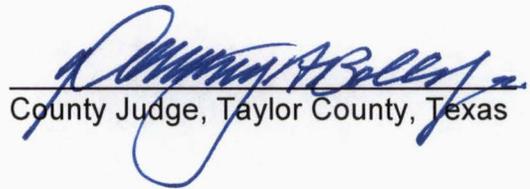
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22. Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

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The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.

  
County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

  
County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

