

Taylor County Commissioners' Court
September 28, 2021

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on September 28, 2021, 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. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4 and Judge Pro Tem convened the Court in open session at 9:00 a.m. The Court would conduct two public hearings prior to the regular session.

2. Commissioner Williams made a motion to convene a public hearing on the closure and abandonment of a portion of Main Street (County Road 288) in View Texas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously.

No member of the public wished to speak.

Commissioner Statler made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

3. Commissioner Birchum made a motion to convene a public hearing on closure and abandonment of an undeveloped portion of Tonkawa Trail and Broken Arrow in Taylor County, Texas. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

No 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.

4. Dustin Wilhite, Pastor of Aldersgate United Methodist Church 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.

5. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held on August 31 and September 14, 2021 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of September 28, 2021 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

12. Consider approval of policy renewal for Juvenile Justice Center Crime Policy and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the renewal for Juvenile Justice Center Crime Policy as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

13. Consider approval of appointment of presiding and alternate judges for County Wide Election Day Vote Centers for the period of September 2021 through August 2022 and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the appointment of presiding and alternate judges for County Wide Election Day Vote Centers for the period of September 2021 through August 2022 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

14. Consider approval of appointment of presiding judge and alternate judge for the Central Counting Station and the presiding judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board for the November 2, 2021 Joint Constitutional Amendment Election and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the appointment of presiding judge and alternate judge for the Central Counting Station and the presiding judge of the Early Voting Ballot Board for the November 2, 2021 Joint Constitutional Amendment Election as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

15. Consider approval of appointment for Taylor County Redistricting Citizens Committee for the 2021 Taylor County Redistricting process and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the appointment for Taylor County Redistricting Citizens Committee for the 2021 Redistricting process as presented. The motion was seconded by Judge Bolls and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

16. Consider approval of EMS ambulance service agreement with South Taylor EMS and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the EMS ambulance service agreement with South Taylor EMS or Taylor EMS for a three (3) year period with one (1) year extensions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. The motion passed on a vote of 4-1 with Commissioner Kendrick voting against the motion. [Exhibit]

17. Consider approval of order to close and abandon a portion of Main Street (CR 288) in View, Tx, in Precinct 1 and return to acreage and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the order to close and abandon a portion of Main Street or CR 288 in View, Tx, in Precinct 1 as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

18. Consider approval of order to close and abandon an undeveloped portion of Tonkawa Trail and Broken Arrow in Precinct 3 and return to acreage and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the order to close and abandon an undeveloped portion of Tonkawa Trail and Broken Arrow in Precinct 3 and return the acreage to the property owners as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

19. Consider approval of road construction and release of construction bond for Hills of Tuscola Section 1 located in Precinct 3 and accept two year maintenance bond and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to move forward with the process. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

20. Consider approval of reappointment of Judge Downing Bolls to the Abilene/Taylor County Venue Board and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the reappointment of Judge Downing Bolls to the Abilene/Taylor County Venue Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

21. Consider approval of reappointment of Commissioner Randy Williams to the Abilene Airport Development Board and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Randy Williams to the Abilene Airport Development Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

22. Consider approval of reappointment of Commissioner Randy Williams to the Abilene/Taylor County Public Health District Board and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the reappointment of Commissioner Randy Williams to the Abilene/Taylor County Public Health District Board for a two year term from November 21 to November 23. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

23. Consider approval of ratifying contract for EDiscovery Software for the District Attorney and setting budget using SLFRF funds and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve and ratify the contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

24. Consider approval of paying comp time at close of FY21 Budget and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the paying comp time at close of FY21 Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

25. Consider approval of extending double overtime and waiving 86 hour rule for correction/detention officers, law enforcement and 911 dispatchers due to short staffing and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve extending double overtime and/or waiving 86 hour rule for correction/detention officers, law enforcement and 911 dispatchers due to short staffing for a period of three months; for the first quarter of the fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

26. Consider approval of continuation of emergency sick leave due to COVID and revisions in policy and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve continuing the 80 hours of emergency sick leave due to COVID on October 1, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

27. Consider approval of Resolution to modify and extend the Taylor County Disaster Declaration and any appropriate action

Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the Resolution to modify and extend the Taylor County Disaster Declaration as outlined. The motion was seconded by Judge Bolls and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

28. Consider approval of Resolution to receive continuing education classes online that was amended by the 87th Legislature and any appropriate action

Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the Resolution to receive continuing education classes online that was amended by the 87th Legislature. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

29. In Accordance With Government Code 551.087, Regarding Economic Development, CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

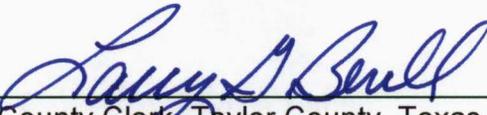
Commissioner Birchum made a motion to convene in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The Court was in Executive Session at 10:54 a.m.

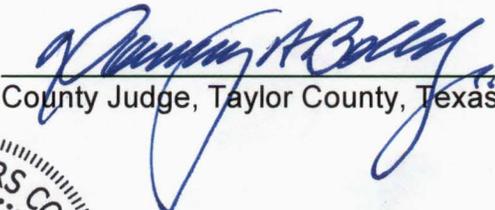
29. RECONVENE in Regular Session and any appropriate action

Commissioner Williams made a motion to reconvene in Regular Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. The Court returned to Regular Session at 11:46 a.m.

30. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this the 12th day of October, 2021.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

