

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2021**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room, Kaufman Texas with the following members present: **Hal Richards**, County Judge; **Mike Hunt**, Commissioner Precinct 1; **Skeet Phillips**, Commissioner Precinct 2; **Terry Barber**, Commissioner Precinct 3; **Ken Cates**, Commissioner Precinct 4; **Bobbie Bartlett** Chief Deputy

INVOCATION;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG;
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG;
REMARKS FROM VISITORS;

ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE

CONSENT AGENDA

2. There came on to be a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Accept Collection's Department Quarterly Report for October through December 2020.
- B. Accept Development Services Quarterly Report for October through December 2020.
- C. Approve Official Bond for Brenda Samples, Tax Assessor-Collector.
- D. Approve Deputation of Kyle Gross for Deputy Constable Pct. 3.
- E. Approve Deputations of Jordan Van Clark, Guadalupe Frias, Steven Edward Hoops, Jerry Kitchens Jr., William Donovan Jones, Robert Dwain Manor III, Anthony Rene Manriquez, Candy Ann Richeson, Aaron Logan Ross, Mark Douglas Sharrock, Mateo David Villareal, Jacob McCoy Forman for Deputy Constables, and Victor Lattrel Bates, Jamela Siddiqi and Roy Harold Williams Jr., as Reserve Deputy Constables.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDER

3. There came on to be a motion to approve an Order Re-Appointing Dave Ferguson, Ed Farow, and Eugene Bragg Smith, III, as Directors for Kaufman County Levee Improvement District No. 6 for a four-year term, effective January 12, 2021 and expiring January 12, 2025.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AUTHORIZING BOND ISSUANCE

4. There came on to be a motion to approve authorizing Hilltop Securities to take all measures required to issue \$30,000,000.00 in Facilities Bonds and \$25,150,000.00 in Road Bonds.

Motion was made by County Judge Hal Richards and seconded by Commissioners Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

PRESENTATION

5. There came on to be a Presentation by Kaufman County Leadership Class regarding Children's Shelter.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

7. There came on to be a motion to approve an Amendment to Agreement to Participate in the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number Thirteen – amendment to increase the number of board members from seven (7) Board Members to Nine (9) Board Members, as presented by the D.A. Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDER

6. There came on to be a motion to approve an Order Appointing Directors to serve as members of the Board of Directors of Reinvestment Zone Number Thirteen, City of Mesquite. Representatives appointed to the TIRZ Board are Commissioner Ken Cates and Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

DISCUSSION

8. There came on to be a discussion to receive updates on the progress of rehabs, upgrades, and repairs to conservation dams – Final Supplemental Watershed Plan No. III and Environmental Assessment.

MOTION TO APPROVE TRANSFER

9. There came on to be a motion to approve lateral transfer of James Stroud from Kaufman County Sheriff's Office to the Precinct 3 Constable's Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE FINAL PLAT

10. There came on to be a motion to approve the Final Plat for Elmo Hills Addition, located in Precinct 3.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE FINAL PLAT

11. There came on to be a motion to approve the Final Plat for Moses Addition, located in Precinct 4.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTION AND SALARY

12. There came on to be a motion to approve standardizing job descriptions for Road and Bridge Department Administrative Positions and setting base salary for Precinct Clerk.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE EXTENSION OF COVID TIME OFF

13. There came on to be a motion to approve extending Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) Extension Policy until March 31, 2021.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE CHANGES TO PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL

14. There came on to be a motion to approve changes to Personnel Policy Manual clarifying progression of using paid or unpaid leave time.

Motion was made by Commissioner and Skeet Phillips seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

DISCUSSION

15. There came on to be a discussion regarding construction updates on the Kaufman County Justice Center and the Kaufman County Pet Adoption Center.

MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL

16. There came on to be a motion to approve Gallagher Construction Services proposal to relocate existing fiber conduit for the construction of the new Pet Adoption Facility, in the amount of \$29,379, utilizing TIPS Purchasing Cooperative Contract #181101.

Motion was made by Commissioners Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Ken Cates.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

17. There came on to be a motion to approve Line Item Transfers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Hunt and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

18. There came on to be a motion to approve Claims for Payment in the amount of \$3,609,657.78.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ken Cates and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING REGULAR MEETING AND
ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

19. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session.

20. Executive Session: Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Discussion of Real estate negotiations.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

21. Executive Session was held. County Judge has certified Agenda.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING EXECUTIVE SESSION
AND ENTER INTO REGULAR MEETING**

22. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Executive Session and enter into Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

23. **NO ACTION TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

24. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There came on to be a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Ken Cates.

Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

I, Laura Hughes, County Clerk of Kaufman County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:



Laura Hughes, County Clerk

