

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

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: **Jakie Allen**, County Judge; **Mike Hunt**, Commissioner Precinct 1; **Skeet Phillips**, Commissioner Precinct 2; **Terry Barber**, Commissioner Precinct 3; **Tommy Moore**, Commissioner Precinct 4; **Laura Hughes**, County Clerk.

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 Commissioners Court Meeting Minutes for February 14, 2023.

B. Approve Fiber Optic Replacement around Prairie Circle and along Cimarron Trail.

C. Accept Oath of Office for Robert Schleich, Mario Luna, and Mack Duncan for Emergency Services District #6.

D. Approve the Deputations of Amber Mullins, Kathy Stephen, Courtney Akin, and Amber Routon for the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office.

E. Approve Official Bond of Mary Bardin, Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1.

F. Approve Official Bond of Terry Barber, Commissioner Pct. 3.

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 ACCEPT REPORT

3. There came on to be a motion accept the Kaufman County Pct. 2 Constable's Office 2022 Racial Profiling Report.

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.

MOTION TO APPROVE DONATION

4. There came on to be a motion to approve the donation of one K-9 Patrol Dog "Elektra", Pet Link #981020045099389, a Narcotic and Tracking dog, from Timothy Jordan to the Kaufman County Pct. #2 Constable's Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore.

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

MOTION TO APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT

5. There came one to be a motion to approve the reimbursement of \$2,500.00 and \$2,000.00 from Line Item 097-4902-697 to Deputy Aaron Ross, Badge #5125, for the concrete kennel floor and roof for K-9 "Groot".

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 REIMBURSEMENT

6. There came on to be a motion to approve the reimbursement of \$2,900.00 from Line Item 097-4902-697 to Deputy Timothy Jordan, Badge #5332, for the concrete kennel floor for K-9 "Elektra".

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore.

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

MOTION TO APPROVE DEPUTATION

7. There came on to be a motion to approve the Deputation of Leonardo Morales to fill a vacant approved full-time position with Kaufman County Pct. #2 Constable's Office contract patrol for the MUD 2 (570) Patrol Contract. Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE DEPUTATION

8. There came on to be a motion to approve the Deputation of Muhammad Siddiqi as a Reserve Deputy Constable with the Kaufman County Pct. #2 Constable's Office. 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.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

11. There came on to be a motion to accept the Precinct 3 Constable's Office 2022 Racial Profiling Report. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO ACCEPT DEPUTATION

~~12. There came on to be a motion to accept the deputation of Carmen T. Girdley for Kaufman County Pct. 3 Constables Office.~~

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

13. There came on to be a motion to accept Kaufman County Pct. 4 Constable's Office 2022 Racial Profiling Report. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

14. There came on to be a motion to accept the Fire Marshal's Office Racial Profiling Report. Motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

15. There came on to be a motion to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for January 2023. 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.

MOTION TO APPROVE INVESTMENT POLICY

16. There came on to be a motion to approve the 2023 Kaufman County Investment Policy. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE FUNDING

9. There came on to be a motion to approve funding for Road Construction Contract for Precinct 1 County Road & Bridge Projects, in the amount of \$219,271.89, as presented by John Polster, Innovative Transportation Solutions. 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 ROAD BOND FUNDING TRANSFERS

10. There came on to be a motion to approve Precinct 4 2019 Road Bond Funding Transfers in the amount of \$3,360,000.00, as presented by John Polster, Innovative Transportation Solutions. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

17. There came on to be a motion to accept the Tax Assessor's Property Tax Collections Report for January 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

18. There came on to be a motion to accept the Tax Assessor's Monthly Auto Collections Report for January 2023. Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Hunt and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACTS

19. There came on to be a motion to approve the Assessment Collection Contracts between Kaufman County and the City of Crandall, Trinity Valley Community College, City of Combine, Kaufman ESD #2, Kaufman ESD #5, and Wills Point ISD.

Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT

20. There came on to be a motion to approve contracting with Rene Bates Auctioneers, Inc. to sell county surplus. 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 ADVERTISING BID

21. There came on to be a motion to approve advertising a bid for Chip Sealing of county roads. Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Hunt and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

DISCUSSION OF FURNITURE PURCHASING POLICY

22. There came on to be a discussion of a Policy/Standardization of future County Furniture Purchases.

MOTION TO APPROVE CREDIT CARD POLICY

23. There came on to be a motion to approve having only two County Credit Cards – Master Card and Walmart. Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

DISCUSSION ON SUBSTATION BUDGET

24. There came on to be a discussion on matters related to the budget for the KSO Sub-Station Construction Project.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT

25. There came on to be a motion to approve East Fork Lateral 10 Dam Operations and Management Contract with Natural Resources Conservation Service, as presented by Owen Cantrell.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE SURVEY PROPOSAL

26. There came on to be a motion to approve a Survey Proposal for East Fork Lateral 10 Dam Survey. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

27. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pct. 4 and the City of Crandall. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

28. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pct. 4 and the City of Mabank. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

29. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pct. 4 and the City of Grays Prairie. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

30. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pct. 4 and the City of Cottonwood. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

31. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Pct. 4 and the City of Kemp. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT

32. There came on to be a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Kaufman and Henderson County regarding County Road 4044. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt. Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

DISCUSSION

33. There came on to be a discussion on the current Kaufman County Enterprise Lease Contract/Agreement.

MOTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM AND BUDGET TRANSFERS/CORRECTIONS

34. There came on to be a motion to approve Line-Item and Budget Transfers/Corrections. 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 CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

35. There came on to be a motion to approve Claims for Payment in the amount of \$11,814,699.73. 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 EXITING REGULAR MEETING

AND ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

36. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the following topics:

- a) Pursuant to Section 551.076 of the Texas Government Code, for the Kaufman County Sheriff and Criminal District Attorney to address the additional county-wide deployment and implementation of security personnel and devices to prevent, detect, and investigate criminal and violent crime activity.
- b) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, consultation with attorney to discuss potential litigation and current pending litigation including, but not limited to: Kaufman County v. Henderson County (Cause No. 21-00150); Fuller Enterprises, et al v. Howie and Beavers (Cause No. CV06950); and Kemp ISD v. Kaufman County Central Appraisal District, Curtis and Floyd (Cause No. 112559-422).

c) Pursuant to Sections 551.076 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code for the Kaufman County Sheriff to address security at the Kaufman County Sheriff's Office and Jail and personnel matters regarding Lori Compton and Billy Jack Valentine.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session was held. Judge has certified agenda.

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

37. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Executive Session and enter into Regular Hearing.
Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Hunt and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.
Motion was put to a vote. Motion carried and is so ordered.

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

MOTION TO ADJOURN

39. There came on to be a motion to adjourn.
Motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore.
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 true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

Laura Hughes
Laura Hughes, County Clerk

