# COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 22, 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;

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2. There came on to be a motion to accept the Consent Agenda.
  - A. Accept Commissioners Court Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2023.
  - B. Approve hotwire fiber optic installation along County Road 269.

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 CONTRACT**

8. There came on to be a motion to approve a Contract with Gallagher Construction for Parking Lot Expansion at the Kaufman County Justice Center.

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

3. There came on to be a motion to accept the Treasurer's Monthly Report for July 1, 2023.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

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

## MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

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

## **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT**

5. There came on to be a motion to accept the Tax Assessor-Collector's Auto Collections Report for July 2023. 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 TRANSFER

6. There came on to be a motion to approve Precinct 1 2019 Road Bond Funding Transfer in the amount of \$2,180,500.00.

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 APPOINTMENT**

7. There came on to be a motion to approve appointing Ryan Hamilton to ESD #3 Board to replace Eric Porter.

Motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Tommy Moore.

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

## **DISCUSSION**

9. There came on to be a discussion on asbestos remediation at the historical Courthouse.

## MOTION TO ACCEPT DONATION

10. There came on to be a motion to accept \$15,000.00 from Target Solutions for a water leak on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor courtroom in the historical Courthouse.

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 LINE-ITEM AND BUDGET TRANSFERS/CORRECTIONS

11. There came on to be a motion to approve Line-Item and Budget Transfers/Corrections.

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 CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

12. There came on to be a motion to approve Claims for Payment in the amount of \$6,147,563.10.

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**

13. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session, pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: Discussion on real estate negotiations.

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

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**

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

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.

15. NO ACTION TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

16. There came on to be a motion to adjourn.

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.

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, County Clerk

# COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 29, 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:

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## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2. There came on to be a motion to accept the Consent Agenda.
  - A. Accept Commissioners Court Meeting Minutes for August 22, 2023.
- B. Approve appointing D'Anna Ashalintubbi to the Children's Shelter Board for a three-year term. 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 EXITING REGULAR MEETING AND ENTER INTO PUBLIC HEARING

- 3. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Regular Meeting and enter into Public Hearing:
  - 4. Public Hearing; to receive input from the public regarding the proposed Budget for FY 2023-2024.
- 5. Public Hearing; to receive input from the public regarding the proposed Tax Rate for FY 2032-2024. Motion was made by Commissioner Tommy Moore and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

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

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

4-5. Public Hearing was held. No-one from the Public spoke on the topic.

# MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING PUBLIC HEARING AND ENTER INTO REGULAR MEETING

6. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Public Hearing and enter into Regular Meeting. 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 SETTING SALARIES AND EXPENSES

7. There came one to be a motion to approve setting Salaries, Expenses, and other allowances for all Elected County and Precinct Officers.

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 ADOPTING BUDGET FOR FY 2023-2024 AND TAKE RECORD VOTE

8. There came on to be a motion to approve adopting the Budget for FY 2023-2024 and take record vote.

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

Motion was put to a vote with Commissioner Mike Hunt, Commissioner Skeet Phillips, Commissioner Terry Barber, Commissioner Tommy Moore, and County Judge Jakie Allen voting 'for'. Motion carried and is so ordered.

#### MOTION TO APPROVE SETTING TAX RATE

9. There came on to be a motion to approve setting the Debt Service Tax Rate as 0.049368, the Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate as 0.279590, and the Road and Bridge Tax Rate as 0.082500 for FY 2023-2024.
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 ADOPTING TAX RATE

10. There came on to be a motion to approve adopting the Debt Service Tax Rate as 0.049368, the Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate as 0.279590, and the Road and Bridge Tax Rate as 0.082500 for a total Tax Rate for FY 2023-2024 as 0.411458, beginning October 1, 2023.

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 CONTRACTS**

11. There came on to be a motion to approve Contracts from Texas Bit for road work from the discretionary bond money for County Roads 131, 131A, 131B, and 120. The total amount is \$1,874,819.54.

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

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

## **MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

12. There came on to be a motion to approve the Resolution allowing assignment of private activity bond authority to Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

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.

#### **NO ACTION TAKEN ON ITEM 13**

13. There came on to be a motion to approve exiting Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session, pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.074: Discussion of personnel matters concerning the positions of Communications and Economic Development and Court Coordinator within the office of the County Judge.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

14. Executive Session was held. County Judge has Certified Agenda.

## **MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### AND ENTER INTO REGULAR MEETING

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

16. NO ACTION TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

# MOTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM AND BUDGET TRANSFERS/CORRECTIONS

17. 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

18. There came on to be a motion to approve Claims for Payment in the amount of \$2,951,597.29. 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 ADJOURN**

19. There came on to be a motion to adjourn.

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.

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, County Cley