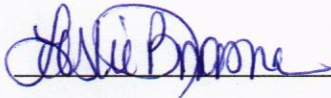


STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TITUS

The above and foregoing is a true and complete Transcription of my notes in my capacity as County Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, on the 8TH day MAY , 2023 at the time and place heretofore set forth.

Attested to this 22ND DAY OF MAY, 2023



LESLIE BROSANAN
TITUS COUNTY CLERK



**COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING
MAY 8, 2023**

The Titus County Commissioners' Court, after notice posted in the manner, form and contents as required by law, met in Regular Meeting on Monday, May 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the Titus County Courtroom, Room 205, located at 100 West 1st Street with the following members present:

Kent Cooper	-	County Judge
Jeff Parchman	-	Commissioner Precinct 1
Joe D. Mitchell	-	Commissioner Precinct 2
Dana Applewhite	-	Commissioner Precinct 3
Jimmy Parker	-	Commissioner Precinct 4
Leslie Brosnan	-	County Clerk
Marcus Carlock	-	District Clerk
Dana Wallace-Applewhite	-	County Treasurer
Melissa Stevens	-	County Tax Assessor
Barbara Shurbet	-	County Auditor

PUBLIC ATTENDING

Penny Ward	Jerry Ward
Jon Roach	Justin Hargrove
Marcus Williams	Jon Anderson
Roy T. Wilson	Monica Walden
Joyce Simpson	

INVOCATION: Commissioner Jimmy Parker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Judge Kent Cooper

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.042, TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS**

There were no public comments.

2. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES FROM APRIL 24, 2023 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Parchman and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve minutes from April 24, 2023 special meeting of the Commissioners' Court. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **PRESENTATION OF ANDERSON TOWNE CROSSING LAND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT ON THE CORNER OF HWY 271 AND I-30 WITH OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS PARTICIPATION IN A TAX INCREMENTAL REINVESTMENT ZONE (TIRZ) WITH THE COUNTY (JON ANDERSON)**

Jon Anderson came before the Court with handouts related to the Anderson Towne Crossing Land Development project on the corner of Hwy 271 and I-30 whose primary goal is to do something good for Mt. Pleasant and bring success economically to the area. He is not asking for approval today but is here to give background and introduction to the project. (SEE ATTACHMENT 01)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Parchman to table the participation in a Tax Incremental Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) with the County. Motion passed unanimously.

4. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE CREATED TO REVIEW THE QUALIFICATIONS OF EACH OF THE 3 ARCHITECT BIDS PRESENTED TO THE COUNTY FOR THE REPAIR TO THE FAÇADE OF THE ANNEX BUILDING**

Architect bids were received for Request for Qualifications for Architectural Services for the repair to the façade of the annex building from Architexas, Design Build Consortium, LLC and Amtech Solutions. (SEE ATTACHMENT 02)

Motion was made by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the bid from Architexas for the repair to the façade of the annex building. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND CYBERSECURITY IMPROVEMENTS WITH FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL ADMIN PRIOR YEAR FUNDING FOR \$37,022 UNDER THE DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTION ALLOWED IN SECTION 262.024C OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE AS APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON NOVEMBER 9, 2020 (BARBARA SHURBET)**

Motion was made by Commissioner Parchman and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the purchase of equipment and cybersecurity improvements to cover offsite backup for Net Data with funds from the General Admin prior year funding for \$37,022 under the Discretionary Exemption allowed in Section 262.024C of the Local Government

Code as approved by Commissioners' Court on November 9, 2020. Motion passed unanimously.

Leslie Brosnan, County Clerk, questioned if this would also cover Tyler Technology software which is used for Vital Records and Official Public Records which covers land records. County Auditor, Barbara Shurbet, was unsure if it did or not stating that when they met with Texas Association of Counties in 2021, Net Data was the only software discussed. If it is determined that Tyler Technologies is not covered, it will be brought back to Court for approval.

6. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE THE REALLOCATION OF BUDGETED FUNDS OF \$99,511 FROM CAPITAL OUTLAY WITH \$30,000 INCLUDING BENEFITS TO GO TO TEMPORARY MOWING HELP AND THE REMAINING \$69,511 TO BE ALLOCATED TO ROAD MATERIALS FOR PRECINCT 2

Motion was made by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve the reallocation of budgeted funds of \$99,511 from Capital Outlay with \$30,000 including benefits to go to temporary mowing help and the remaining \$69,511 to be allocated to road materials for Precinct 2. Motion passed unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY ACCEPT ONE OF THE THREE BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE HVAC MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR A 1 YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR UP TO 2 YEARS IF AGREED ON BY VENDOR AND TITUS COUNTY

Bids were received from McCloskey Mechanical Contractors, Inc., Wood Air Conditioning, Inc. and Roberts Air Conditioning for the HVAC Maintenance Program for a one (1) year contract with the option to renew for up to two (2) years if agreed on by vendor and Titus County. (SEE ATTACHMENT 03)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to accept the bid from Roberts Air Conditioning for the HVAC maintenance program for a one (1) year contract with the option to renew for up to two (2) years if agreed on by vendor and Titus County. Motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 9 LAPTOPS BASED ON THE \$9,288 QUOTE FROM KAYBRO UNDER THE DISCRETIONARY EXEMPTION FOR THE COUNTY ALLOWED IN SECTION 262.024C OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE AS APPROVED IN COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON NOVEMBER 9, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Parchman and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the purchase of nine (9) laptops based on the \$9,288 quote from Kaybro under the Discretionary Exemption for the county allowed in Section 262.024C of the Local Government Code as approved in Commissioners' Court on November 9, 2020. Motion passed unanimously.

9. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON VEHICLE/MILEAGE EXPENSE FOR THE COMMISSIONERS CONSIDERING THE FOLLOWING: CONTINUE TO RECORD THE MILEAGE DAILY AND REPORT MONTHLY OR PURCHASE A VEHICLE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY FOR EACH COMMISSIONER

Motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell to approve the purchase of a vehicle provided by the county for each commissioner. Motion died to lack of second.

Motion was made by Commissioner Parchman and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve purchasing a vehicle provided by the county for each commissioner that wants one. Motion passed unanimously.

10. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION TO OFFER THE CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT \$1,000,000 PER YEAR FOR 10 YEARS FOR FIRE PROTECTION TO BE WRITTEN IN THE EXISTING CONTRACT AND TO BE APPROVED BY OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL FOR TITUS COUNTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Parchman to offer the City of Mount Pleasant \$1,000,000 per year for ten (10) years for Fire Protection to be written in the existing contract and to be approved by outside legal counsel for Titus County. Motion passed with Commissioner Parker voting nay.

11. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF 2 INDIGENT BURIALS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mitchell and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve the payment of \$950.00 for two (2) indigent burials for Scott Reinhart and Thomas Sanders. Motion passed unanimously. (SEE ATTACHMENT 04)

12. APPROVE ORAL AND WRITTEN REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

Motion was made by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Parchman to approve oral and written reports of county officials. Motion passed unanimously. (SEE ATTACHMENT 05)

13. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS A MATTER OF RECORD

Motion was made by Commissioner Parchman and seconded by Commissioner Mitchell to accept the treasurer's report as a matter of record. Motion passed unanimously. (SEE ATTACHMENT 06)

14. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve budget amendment #2023-022 and 2023-023. Motion passed unanimously. (SEE ATTACHMENT 07)

15. SIGN PAY ORDERS AND APPROVE PAYMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Parchman to sign pay orders and approve payments. Motion passed unanimously. (SEE ATTACHMENT 08)

16. CLOSING COMMENTS BY COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY

Judge Cooper informed the Court that he had ridden on the roads with Commissioner Applewhite and Commissioner Mitchell and appreciates the work they are doing. He will ride next with Commissioner Parchman and Commissioner Parker on their roads. He also wanted to give thanks to Sgt. Bain who has been giving tickets on abandoned cars.

Commissioner Applewhite wanted to thank his crew for working 12 hours Friday and six (6) hours Saturday due to the storm.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made at 10:34 a.m. to adjourn by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Parker. Motion passed unanimously.