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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court will be held on **Tuesday, October 31st, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom (2nd floor) of the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, located at 101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas**, at which time the following will be discussed and considered:

OPENING COURT

County Judge will call meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Motion to open meeting

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – *Precinct 2 Commissioner Lane Grayson*

PUBLIC COMMENT – Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.

RECOGNITIONS

- R.1 Resolution in Support of Ellis County Veterans with Operation Green Light
- R.2 Resolution in Support of a Media Production Development Zone for *The Chosen*

CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:

Administrative:

- A.1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll, and Officers' Reports. – *Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*
- A.2 Approval of the Treasurer's 3rd Quarter 2023 Investment Report. – *Treasurer Cheryl Chambers*

- A.3 Approval of Commissioners' Court Regular Meeting Minutes from October 17th, 2023. – *County Clerk Krystal Valdez*
- A.4 Approval of the County Auditor's monthly financial report for September 2023, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.025. – *First Assistant Auditor Staci Parr*
- A.5 Approval of a tabulated report of the county's receipts and disbursements of funds from October 2nd – October 20th, 2023, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.024. – *First Assistant Auditor Staci Parr*

Financial:

- F.1 Acceptance of funds collected by the Sheriff's Office for an estray bull in the amount of \$85.⁰⁰ as unanticipated revenue. Request special budget for unanticipated revenue:
- Increase 001-0010-508700 (Estray) by \$85.⁰⁰
- Pursuant to Local Government Code §111.0108, unanticipated revenue certified by County Auditor.
– *First Assistant Auditor Staci Parr*
- F.2 FY24 Line-Item Transfer. – *Maintenance Director Keith Roberts*
- Decrease 001-0020-508070 (Operating Expenses) by \$1,200.⁰⁰
 - Increase 001-0020-508100 (Auto Tires) by \$1,200.⁰⁰
- F.3 FY24 Line-Item Transfer. – *Precinct 2 Commissioner Lane Grayson*
- Decrease 010-0653-508070 (FM2 Operating Expenditures) by \$200,000.⁰⁰
 - Increase 010-0653-508020 (FM2 Equipment) by \$200,000.⁰⁰
- F.4 FY24 Line-Item Transfer. – *Precinct 2 Commissioner Lane Grayson*
- Decrease 010-0653-509080 (FM2 Lumber) by \$6,000.⁰⁰
 - Increase 010-0653-509090 (FM2 Repairs Parts) by \$6,000.⁰⁰
- F.5 FY24 Line-Item Transfer. – *Hon. Jim Chapman, County Court at Law #1*
- Decrease 001-0380-508820 (Books) by \$1,550.⁰⁰
 - Increase 001-0380-507030 (Telephone) by \$300.⁰⁰
 - Increase 001-0380-508020 (Equipment) by \$1,000.⁰⁰
 - Increase 001-0380-508880 (Computer Software) by \$250.⁰⁰

REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, Consideration and Action:

Department of Development:

- 1.1 Discussion, consideration, and action on a replat of Whispering Meadows, Tracts 5A-5D & 4B-A1. The 29-acre site is located ± 2,540 feet east of the intersection of Wilson Road and Boyce Road, situated in the F.M. Woodard Survey Abstract No. 1120, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Waxahachie, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 1

- 1.2 Ratify staff action on a plat of Pecan Estates. The ± 4.275-acre site is located ± 1,375 feet north of the intersection of E. Pecan Tree Road and Onion Creek Road, situated in the E.C. School Land Survey, Abstract No. 328, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Waxahachie, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 3.
- 1.3 Discussion, consideration, and action on a request for a variance to Section IV(A) (i) (a) of the County's Subdivision Regulations Vol. I, for Parcel ID No. 199219 – Pt. Lot 23 Morgan Creek Estates. The property ± 0.84-acre site is located ± 410 feet north of the intersection of Norrell Road and Cattle Drive, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4.
- 1.4 Discussion, consideration, and action to vacate and abandon a 60-foot strip of right-of-way shown on Shiloh Branch Estates II, recorded in Cabinet C, Slide 711 of the Official Public Records of Ellis County, Texas (OPRECT). The site is located ± 907 north of the intersection of Bryson Lane and Brooke Blvd, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4.
- 1.5 Discussion, consideration, and action on a quitclaim deed for a 60-foot abandoned and vacated right-of-way as shown on Shiloh Branch Estates II, recorded in Cabinet C, Slide 711 of the Official Public Records of Ellis County, Texas (OPRECT), The site is located ± 907 north of the intersection of Bryson Lane and Brooke Blvd, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Midlothian, Road and Bridge Precinct No. 4.

Purchasing

- 2.1 Discussion, consideration, and action to declare the listed items as surplus to be disposed in accordance with Local Government Code §263 for the Sheriff's Office and various departments (see supporting documentation).
- 2.2 Discussion, consideration, and action to renew the contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc., for 110 Body Cameras in an amount of \$479,641.⁴⁴ for the Ellis County Sheriff's Office with an annual payment of \$95,928.²⁸ per year for five years using BuyBoard Contract No. 648-21.
- 2.3 Discussion, consideration, and action to purchase six (6) additional Fleet Cameras from Axon Enterprises, Inc., for the Ellis County Sheriff's Office in an amount of \$53,766.⁰⁰ to be paid in five (5) installments of four (4) payments of \$13,441.²⁰ and one (1) payment of \$1.20 over a four-year period using BuyBoard Contract No. 648-21.
- 2.4 Discussion, consideration, and action to purchase ten (10) Taser's from Axon Enterprise, Inc., for the Ellis County Sheriff's Office, in an amount of \$13,923.00 with a 2-year payment plan of \$6,961.⁵⁰ per year using BuyBoard Contract No. 648-21.
- 2.5 Discussion, consideration, and action on an Interlocal agreement between Palmer Independent School District and Ellis County in accordance with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code.
- 2.6 Discussion, consideration, and action on an Interlocal agreement between City of Pecan Hill and Ellis County in accordance with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code.

- 2.7 Discussion, consideration, and action on an Inmate Telephone and Communication Services and Revenue Sharing Agreement with Correct Solutions, LLC, for an initial term of four years from January 7, 2024, to January 6, 2028 with automatic one year renewals, utilizing the Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with Parker County (“Minute Order 181.22”).
- 2.8 Discussion, consideration, and action to purchase the HVAC and mechanical equipment for the Ellis County Sub-Courthouse No. 2 Project in an amount of \$318,927.⁰⁰ from Texas Air Systems using Tips Contract #23010402 and an option for an early payment discount of \$9,000.⁰⁰ per Texas Government Code §2251.030.

Administrative:

- 3.1 Discussion, consideration, and action on the proposed floor plan for the new Midlothian Tax Office at 661 Aspen Parkway, Midlothian. – *County Judge Todd Little and Tax Assessor Richard Rozier*
- 3.2 Discussion, consideration, and approval for the County Judge’s Office to sign an agreement with Sierra Shred for shredding services at the Historic Courthouse. – *County Judge Todd Little*
- 3.3 Discussion, consideration, and approval for the County Judge and Road & Bridge Precinct 4 to partner for completing and making ready asphalt surfacing from U.S. 77 to FM 2377, totaling 1.9 tenth miles between Shawnee Road and Shirley Road. \$250,350.⁰⁰ will be paid from the Road Improvement Fund, and \$250,350.⁰⁰ will be paid from the Road & Bridge Precinct 4 budget. – *County Judge Todd Little and Precinct 4 Commissioner Kyle Butler*
- 3.4 Discussion and action to designate Fund 036 (Election Admin Fees) as a committed fund. This is in accordance with Texas Election Code §31.100 and Texas Administrative Code §81.161. – *Elections Administrator Jana Onyon*
- 3.5 Presentation of the annual interpretation and update of agricultural extension programs. – *Texas AgriLife Extension Service Director Mark Arnold and Sidney Atchley*
- 3.6 Discussion and Resolution to cast votes to elect directors for the Ellis Appraisal District for 2024-2025. – *County Judge Todd Little*
- 3.7 Discussion, consideration, and approval of an updated funeral home rate schedule for recovery, removal, and transport to the Dallas County Medical Examiner (see supporting documentation). – *Chief of Staff for the County Judge Ryan Garrett*
- 3.8 Discussion, consideration, and possible action on a settlement offer from American Medical Response. – *Attorney Kevin Kosoris*

RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners’ Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 551, or to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners’...

...Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551 or as otherwise may be permitted under Chapter 551.

- 4.1 Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071(1)(B), consultation with legal counsel regarding a settlement offer concerning the settlement options from AMR.
- 4.2 Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071(1), consultation with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation concerning TCEQ matters, specifically pending Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems permits (TPDES) and pending petitions for the creation of Municipal Utility Districts (MUD's).

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Signed this the 27th day of October, 2023



Todd Little, Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 27th day of October, 2023 at 3:34 p.m.





Krystal Valdez, County Clerk