

MINUTES

On this the 28th day of November 2022 the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas met in Regular Session at 10:04 a.m. beginning with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and Texas flag with the following individuals present:

Brian Keith Umphress	County Judge
Gary Oliver	Commissioner Precinct 1 (via zoom)
Kenny Salazar	Commissioner Precinct 2
Henry D. Birdwell Jr.	Commissioner Precinct 3
Terry Ward	Commissioner Precinct 4
Suzanne Brooks	Deputy Clerk
Lisa Perry	County Auditor
Frank Hefner	IT/EMC
Brad Campsey	County Treasurer
Clyde Watson	County Constable
Candace Crow	Auditor's Assistant

The following members of the public were in attendance: Russonna Jones, Kristina Banuelos, Mike Smith, and Lynn Casteel.

PUBLIC FORUM

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Judge Umphress made a motion to pay all [accounts and claims](#) submitted for approval. Commissioner Ward seconded and the motion passed. (4-0). Commissioner Oliver abstained.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for November 14, 2022;
- (b) Approval and Acceptance of all donations being made to the Jack County Disaster Relief;
- (c) Review and Acceptance of Auditor's Monthly Report;
- (d) Approval of New/Renewal of Performance Bond and Oath for Tax Assessor-Collector Sharon S. Robinson;
- (e) Review and Approval for Judge Umphress to sign a Tax Deed and Property Card for Trust Property in the City of Jacksboro;

Commissioner Birdwell made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items. The motion was seconded by Judge Umphress and passed unanimously. (5-0)

TIMED AGENDA ITEMS

No Timed Agenda Items.

UPDATE ON LONG TERM DISASTER RECOVERY EFFORTS DUE TO THE MARCH 21, 2022 TORNADO

Discussion made, no action taken.

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES OF CONCERNED CITIZENS OF JACK COUNTY, INC. – RUSSONA JONES-BRISCOE

Rusonna Jones-Briscoe thanked the Commissioner's for their \$20,000 donation and gave updates on the many activities at Concerned Citizen Center including meals on wheels, a job fair, movie nights, meals, games, ladies' manicures, bible study, winterization of cars, weddings, birthday parties, showers, meals to tornado victims, angel tree. There were 300 Thanksgiving meals served this year. She also reported they are getting a new walk-in freezer as they are currently out of room. The Vision Group had steps placed down to the local walking trail.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT OF ONE (1) YEAR "EXTENDED WARRANTY" ON HART DUO, HART SCAN, HART VERITY ELECTION CONTROLLERS HARDWARE OWNED BY JACK COUNTY- LYNN CASTEEL

Lynn Casteel reported on the Extended Warranty for Election Equipment which was not included in her budget.

Motion was made by Judge Umphress to make a budget amendment for the purchase of an extended warranty for 1 year in the amount of \$2,820. Commissioner Birdwell seconded and the motion passed (5-0).

DISCUSSION AND CREATION OF PROJECT LIST PRIORITIES FOR JACK COUNTY

Discussion made, no action taken.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE CLOSING OF SOUTH FIRST STREET (60 FOOT WIDE) WHICH IS LOCATED BETWEEN CHURCH AND DAVIS STREETS OF THE TOWN OF GIBTOWN (FORMERLY NEW HOPE), JACK COUNTY, TEXAS

Commissioner Salazar would like to review before taking action.
Discussion but no action at this time.

DISCUSSION OF STATUS OF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND (CTIF) GRANT FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Candace Crow, Assistant Auditor, gave an update.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE NEXT PHASE OF THE COURTHOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT

Discussion made, no action taken.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT TO SUPPORT THE STATE PARK LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Motion was made by Commissioner Ward to set an amount of \$5,000 for this fiscal year to purchase the equipment needed and then make a line item for the next budget cycle. Commissioner Birdwell seconded and the motion passed (5-0).

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

Commissioner Oliver needs new blades for Precinct #1, he will either sell one blade and purchase a new one or trade it in.
Commissioner Salazar needs another roller.
Discussion on Precinct #5 funds.

REPORTS, IF ANY BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS

Candace Crow reported Toys for Tots is currently receiving donations.
The County Christmas party will be on December 12th at noon with everyone bringing finger foods.
Frank Hefner will go out for bids on moving the transformer.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business motion was made by Commissioner Birdwell to adjourn. Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion to adjourn and the motion passed unanimously. (5-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Brian Keith Umphress County Judge

Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. #1

Kenny Salazar, Commissioner Pct. #2

Henry Birdwell, Jr. Commissioner Pct. #3

Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST:

Vanessa James, County Clerk