

## MINUTES

On this the 26th day of June, 2023 the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas met in Regular Session at 10:00 a.m. beginning with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the American flag and Texas flag with the following individuals present:

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| Brian Keith Umphress  | County Judge                         |
| Gary Oliver           | Commissioner Precinct 1              |
| Kenny Salazar         | Commissioner Precinct 2              |
| Henry D. Birdwell Jr. | Commissioner Precinct 3              |
| Terry Ward            | Commissioner Precinct 4              |
| Vanessa James         | County Clerk                         |
| Lisa Perry            | County Auditor                       |
| Candace Crow          | Auditor's Assistant                  |
| Frank Hefner          | EMC/IT                               |
| Tom Spurlock          | County Sheriff                       |
| Chris Reger           | Chief Deputy                         |
| Brad Campsey          | County Treasurer                     |
| Debra Tillery         | County Judge's Assistant             |
| Scott Simonton        | Chief Deputy Jail Administration     |
| Tammy Miller          | Chief Communications/ Admin Assitant |
| Jeff Miller           | Reserve County Constable             |
| David Vanderkaay      | Lieutenant                           |
| Sharon Robinson       | Tax Assessor-Collector               |
| Lynn Casteel          | Elections Administrator              |
| Jessica Bailey        | Justice of the Peace                 |
| Jean Straughn         | Justice of the Peace Deputy          |
| Clyde Watson          | County Constable                     |

The following members of the public were in attendance: Braydee Thorne, Jesse Laine, Doug Angell, George Coyle, David Vanderkaay, Rod Hetzel, Greg Smith, Mike Smith, Lee Anderson, and Zach Zeitler.

### PUBLIC FORUM

Several members of the public spoke to the Commissioner's Court.

### PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Judge Umphress made a motion to pay all [accounts and claims](#) submitted for approval. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Birdwell and passed unanimously. (5-0)

### CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for June 12, 2023;
- (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) Reception of [Certificate](#) of Professional Achievement from Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas to Trasi Ogle;
- (e) Approval/Renewal of Performance Bonds and Oaths for Deputy Sheriff Houston Lee Gass, Deputy Sheriff Cody McGee, and Deputy Sheriff Connis S. Wooten;

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

### TIMED AGENDA ITEMS

None.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

In compliance with Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, (1) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or (2) to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee;

Motion was made by Judge Umphress in compliance with Section 511.074 of the Texas Government Code. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Birdwell and passed unanimously. (5-0) Executive Session began at 12:25 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS  
DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Returned to Open Session at 2:46 p.m. No action taken.

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

Judge Umphress and Frank Hefner attended a United Methodist Conference to thank them for their support in rebuilding our community.

SPEECH PRESENTATION BY BRAYDEE THORNE FROM THE BRYSON FFA

Bradee Thorne with Bryson FFA gave a speech about soil stewardship that she will be giving at State FFA contest in Dallas next week.

DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE TO APPROVE A GUARD ONE JAIL MONITOR  
SYSTEM

Scott Simonton, Chief Deputy of Jail Administration, presented information regarding the current system and the Guard One Jail Monitor System.

Motion was made by Commissioner Birdwell to approve the purchase of a [Guard One Jail Monitor System](#). Motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and passed unanimously. (5-0)

DISCUSSION OF STATUS OF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND  
(CTIF) GRANT FROM TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-CANDACE CROW

Candace Crow gave an update.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REVISE THE PLAT FOR MESQUITE ESTATE  
SUBDIVISION, JACK COUNTY FOR A 30 FOOT ENTRANCE LOCATED NORTH OF LOT  
#2 TO PROVIDE ACCESS FROM WESLEY CHAPEL ROAD

Lee Anderson presented information regarding the presented revised plat that will have a different 40-foot access point to the subdivision from Wesley Chapel Road.

Motion was made by Commissioner Salazar to approve the revised plat of Mesquite Estate Subdivision and give a variance on the width of the access road to 40 feet. Motion was seconded by Judge Umphress and passed. (3-0) Commissioner Oliver abstained and Commissioner Birdwell voted against.

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

Discussion made, no action taken.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE NAMING OF A PRIVATE ROAD LOCATED  
WITHIN THE FF NEWPORT RANCH, LLC (EAST OF NEWPORT-SOUTH OF FM 2127) TO  
BE NAMED FECHTEL LANE IN PRECINCT #1, TO BE ADDED TO THE JACK COUNTY  
MASTER STREET ADDRESS GUIDE FOR 911 ADDRESSING

Motion was made by Commissioner Oliver to approve the naming of a private road as "Fechtel Lane" which is located within the FF Newport Ranch, LLC and is off of Tori Lane. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Salazar and passed unanimously. (5-0)

REPORTS, IF ANY BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS

Discussion made, no action taken.

BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR FY 2023-2024

No action taken.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Evaluate the Drug and Alcohol Policy for all County Employees and Elected Officials

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Brian Keith Umphress County Judge

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Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. #1

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Kenny Salazar, Commissioner Pct. #2

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Henry Birdwell, Jr. Commissioner Pct. #3

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Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. #4

ATTEST:

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Vanessa James, County Clerk