

Monday, October 26, 2020 the Sabine County Commissioners' Court met in regular session. The following members of Court were present:

Daryl Melton	County Judge
Jimmy McDaniel	Commissioner Pct. #2
Charles "Butch" Ellison	Commissioner Pct. #3
James "Bubba" Lowe	Commissioner Pct. #4
Janice McDaniel	County Clerk

Commissioner Clark was not present.

Judge Melton called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and led the Court in prayer. Commissioner McDaniel led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM #1-General Business

Commissioner McDaniel moved to approve 1 set of minutes as written for the Commissioners' Court regular meeting October 13, 2020. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #2-Discuss with possible action on Line Item Transfers

No line item transfers were submitted.

AGENDA ITEM #3-Discuss with possible action on any necessary Budget Amendments

No budget amendments were submitted.

AGENDA ITEM #4-Discuss with possible action on accepting Departmental Reports.

Ronald Barlow reported the Wild Hog Supper was a success. Hay Show Tuesday November 17, and will start a soil testing drive soon. Judge Melton said we received the US Forest Service check on minerals to be divided up between road & bridge and the schools. Total amount of check to be divided is \$253,406.12. That equals \$126,703.26 for each. Commissioner Lowe moved to accept reports from Treasurer, JP 1 & JP 2, Agri-Agent, Economic Development, County Clerk, District Clerk, and Tax Assessor/Collector. Commissioner Ellison seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. [See Attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #5-Discuss with possible action accepting donation from SRA as unrestricted funds.

Judge Melton was notified that the SRA wanted to make an unrestricted donation to the County due to Covid-19 and Hurricane Laura. The SRA will give a presentation to the Court later, with the donation amount. We need to go ahead and give an approval to accept the donation to unrestricted funds, and then we can decide where we need funds the most. Commissioner Lowe moves to accept a donation from the SRA as unrestricted funds. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

AGENDA ITEM #6– Discuss with possible action on a request by Resolution, made by the Deep East Texas Council of Governments, for a local match regarding a grant project application under the Texas General Land Office GLO CDBG-DR Mitigation disaster program for emergency radio communication towers.

Commissioner McDaniel moved to pledge \$35,000, as a contribution toward the DETCOG Regionwide Interoperable Radio Communications Infrastructure Project. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. [See Attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #7 - Discuss with possible action on paying accounts and salaries

Commissioner Ellison moved to pay accounts and salaries. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. [See Attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #8 – Public Comments

Commissioners gave a brief update on their precincts. David Roach updated on Election Cyber Security Audit. We are in pretty good shape. Penny Ferguson updated on Trunk or Treat; candy and volunteers are needed. The Court gave an update on tree debris removal. They are making 1 pass and will not come back through. Covid-19 numbers are on the rise. County Clerk; Janice McDaniel, gave an election update. As of Saturday, we have voted 3,060 personal appearance, and received 366 ballots by mail, for a total of 3,426 votes. The totals for the City of Hemphill election are 221, City of Pineland; 201, and West Sabine ISD; 523.

AGENDA ITEM #9-Pursuant to the authority under Government Code, chapter 551, the Commissioners Court may convene a closed session to discuss and of the above agenda items. Immediately before any closed session, the specific section or sections of Government Code, Chapter 551 that provide statutory authority will be announced.

Commissioner Lowe moved to adjourn. Commissioner Ellison seconded. All voted for. Meeting adjourned.

_____ DARYL MELTON

Not Present _____ TOMMY CLARK

_____ JIMMY MCDANIEL

_____ CHARLES ELLISON

_____ JAMES LOWE, JR

[ATTEST: COUNTY CLERK](#)

_____ JANICE MCDANIEL