

Monday, August 23, 2021 the Sabine County Commissioners' Court met in regular session. The following members of Court were present:

Daryl Melton	County Judge
Brent Cox	Commissioner Pct. #1
Jimmy McDaniel	Commissioner Pct. #2
Stanley Jacks	Commissioner Pct. #3
James Lowe	Commissioner Pct. #4
Jamie Clark	County Clerk

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

AGENDA ITEM #1-General Business

Commissioner McDaniel moved to approve three sets of minutes, as written, for the August 8 regular meeting, August 16 and August 19 Special meetings. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

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

Commissioner McDaniel moved to accept reports from the Treasurer, JP 1 and JP 2, District Clerk and County Clerk. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion Carries. [See Attached.](#)

[AGENDA ITEM #5](#) – Recognize Brent Cox, Stanley Jacks, and James Lowe for continuing education hours.

The Court recognized Commissioner Cox, Commissioner Jacks and Commissioner Lowe for continuing education hours.

[AGENDA ITEM #6](#) – Discuss with possible action on Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Hemphill regarding Hazard Mitigation Plan

See item 7

[AGENDA ITEM #7](#) – Discuss with possible action on Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Pineland regarding Hazard Mitigation Plan

Items 6 and 7 were discussed together. Judge Melton stated that each city has already approved through their Councils. Commissioner McDaniel moved to enter into Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Hemphill and the City of

Pineland regarding Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached.

AGENDA ITEM #8 – Discuss with possible action on Regulations for Sexually Oriented Businesses in the unincorporated Area of Sabine County

Judge Melton is asking the Court if they would like for him to look into Policies regulating Gentlemen Clubs, Game Rooms and Vape Shops in the unincorporated areas of Sabine County. Commissioners agreed that the Judge should pursue possible policies and regulations and bring information back to the Court. No vote taken.

[AGENDA ITEM #9](#) – Discuss with possible action on items for Auction by County Auditor

Malinda Bryan asked the Court to allow her to list surplus items from the Sherriff’s Department for auction. A Dodge Charger and a Tahoe are some of the items to be auctioned. Commissioner Lowe moves to auction surplus items. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached.

[AGENDA ITEM #10](#) -Discuss with possible action on installation of official National Historic Trail signs for the El Camino Real Trail, Phase 2

Commissioner Lowe moves to approve going forward with signs for El Camino Real Trail, Phase 2. Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached.

[AGENDA ITEM #11](#) – Discuss with possible action on 2022 Sheriff and Constable Fees Report for Comptroller

Jamie Clark, County Clerk stated there were no changes in the fees. Commissioner Lowe moves to approve 2022 Sheriff and Constable Fees Report for Comptroller. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached.

[AGENDA ITEM #12](#) – Discuss with possible action on HB 2073 regarding Paid Quarantine leave for Peace Officers and Detention Officers.

Commissioner Cox moves to accept Paid Quarantine Leave for Peace Officers and Detention Officers (HB 2073) and put in the policy book, with Tricia Jacks as “Person of Contact”. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See attached.

[AGENDA ITEM #13](#)-Discuss with possible action on approving 2020 External audit performed by Axley & Rode, LLP

Mr. Karver with Axley & Rode, LLP presented his report. He stated that the County was in a strong position financially, with Clean Audit reports and Clean Compliance Reports. Commissioner Jacks moves to accept Audit as presented. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached. The Audit is also available on the county website.

AGENDA ITEM #14 – Discuss with possible action on County Choice Silver Insurance Program for 2022

Tricia Jacks, County Treasurer, stated that the County pays nothing for this. It is direct billed to the Retired Employees that are eligible for Medicare. Tricia recommends staying with Plan F. Commissioner Jacks moves to stay with Plan F for the County Choice Silver Plan. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carries.

[AGENDA ITEM #15](#) – Discuss with possible action on consolidating Voting Pct. 4 (Brookeland) & Pct. 5 (Bronson) with voting Pct. 3 (Pineland) for the November General Amendment Election.

Combined with item #16 below

[AGENDA ITEM #16](#)- Discuss with possible action on consolidating Voting Pct. 8 (Rosevine) with voting Pct 6 (Milam) for the November General Amendment Election.

Commissioner Lowe moves to consolidate voting Precincts for the November General Amendment Election. Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See attached.

[AGENDA ITEM #17](#)- Discuss with possible action on Salary Grievance Committee

Judge Melton stated according to Government Code Chapter 152.014 states Committee (a) In each county there is a salary grievance committee composed of the county judge and:

(1) the sheriff, county tax assessor-collector, county treasurer, county clerk, district clerk, county attorney or criminal district attorney, and the number of public members necessary to provide nine voting members; or

(2) nine public members, if the commissioners court votes to have nine public members.

Commissioner Jacks moved to use option 1 and select 3 public members.

Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. The drawing of members immediately followed and were drawn in this order:

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| 1. Melissa Ramen | 9. Mary Latham | 17. Danny Thomas |
| 2. Kim Smallwood | 10. Shelby White Lowe | 18. Donna Lyles |
| 3. Lyla Anthony | 11. Joseph Dominguez | 19. Whitney Thomas |
| 4. Heath Thomas | 12. Florence Kilcrease | 20. William Englishbee |
| 5. Rita Davis | 13. Johnny Jones | 21. John Fontenot |
| 6. David Grant | 14. Marla Miller | 22. Irene Gregg |
| 7. Robert T. Scales | 15. David Roberts | 23. Lana Comeaux |
| 8. James Corley | 16. William D Larkin | 24. Brenda Elliott |

[AGENDA ITEM #18](#)– Discuss with possible action on paying accounts and salaries

Commissioner Jacks moved to pay accounts and salaries. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carries. See Attached

[AGENDA ITEM #19](#)- Public Comments

Commissioners gave a brief update on their respective precincts. Judge Melton mentioned there will be another Food Bank Distribution on October 7.

AGENDA ITEM #20-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 McDaniel seconded. All voted for. Meeting adjourned.

_____ DARYL MELTON

_____ BRENT COX

_____ JIMMY MCDANIEL

_____ STANLEY JACKS

_____ JAMES LOWE, JR

ATTEST: COUNTY CLERK

_____ JAMIE CLARK