

Monday, March 14, 2022 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, Jr.	Commissioner Pct. #4
Jamie Clark	County Clerk

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

AGENDA ITEM #1-Discuss with necessary action on General Business

Commissioner McDaniel moved to approve the minutes as written of the February 28th regular meeting. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

County Treasurer Tricia Jacks states everyone's budget was covered amongst themselves with the exception of: (a) two constables for nonbudgeted insurance, (b) County Attorney Bobby Neal for an online library; and, (c) David Roach with Emergency Management for a new app subscription. These were absorbed through Capital Reserves. Commissioner Jacks moved to approve Line-Item Transfers. Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #3-Consider and take action on any necessary Budget Amendment(s)

Treasurer Jacks reported budget amendments to two in General Fund (JAG grant, Forest Service and Minerals); two in Road and Bridge (Pct. 1 to book revenue received when roof collapsed during ice storm, Pct. 4 for TX DOT grant,); in Forest Special Projects (Rosevine VFD to purchase equipment); and, in Restricted (Revenue and Expense on HAVA-voting equipment, Alternate Dispute Resolution, and Capital Credits which pays Charlie Dromgoole), which were all included in Year 2021. Commissioner McDaniel moves to approve Budget Amendments. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #4-Recognize March as Red Cross month

Judge Melton read proclamation. Commissioner McDaniel moved to recognize March as Red Cross month. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #5-Discuss with possible action on appointment for Local Health Authority, Texas Department of State Health Services, 2-year term

Commissioner Lowe moves to appoint Dr. Gregory Backofen, MD as the Local Health Authority under a 2-year term. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #6-Discuss with possible action on renewal of insurance policies with TAC:

- General Liability
- Auto
- Public Officials
- Law Enforcement

On December 21, 2021 it was voted to continue renewal with TAC. Judge Melton recommends we stay with TAC. Commissioner Jacks moved to stay with TAC. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #7-Discuss with possible action on Notice of Bid for seized property, a 2003 Chevrolet, to sell through govdeal.com

County Auditor Malinda Bryan presented a Notice to Bid on seized property to be auctioned on govdeal.com. Commissioner McDaniel moved to sell item on govdeal.com. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #8-Discuss with possible action on annual Racial Profiling Report for 2021 from:

Constable 1, William Bradberry
Constable 2, Johnnie Jackson
Count Sheriff, Tom Maddox

Commissioner Cox moved to accept Racial Profiling Report for 2021 for Constable Bradberry, Constable Jackson and Sheriff Maddox. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #9-Discuss with possible action on Cooperative Agreement Grant award # 48-08-12212 with National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for Broadband Infrastructure

The Cooperative Agreement Grant was awarded and Judge Melton asked for agreement to proceed. Commissioner Jacks made motion to move forward. Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #10-Discuss with possible action on recognizing East Texas CSCD Strategic Plan

Commissioner McDaniel moved to recognize East Texas CSCD Strategic Plan. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #11-Discuss with possible action on Resolution for Justice Assistance Grant # 2920108 for Law Enforcement Program

Auditor Bryan states this program is designated for the drug investigator; beginning October 1, 2022 through October 1, 2023. Commissioner Lowe moved to apply for Resolution for Justice Assistance Grant # 920108 for Law Enforcement Program. Commissioner Cox seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #12-Discuss with possible action on (ARTS) Affordable Care Act Reporting and Tracking Service renewal agreement through Texas Association of Counties by County Treasurer

Treasurer Jacks asked for approval and stated there is no cost to us. Commissioner Jacks moved to approve ARTS renewal agreement through TAC. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #13-Discuss with possible action on Resolution for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

The county has been allocated \$2,047,600 pursuant to the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), as a part of the ARPA. Judge Melton read the resolution and asked the Court to claim lost revenue. Judge and Commissioners will determine how to use and will have up to year 2026 to use it. Commissioner Jacks moved to proceed on ARPA. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #14-Discuss with possible action on accepting annual 2021 Jail Report by Texas Commissioner on Jail Standards.

Judge Melton stated that a couple of deficiencies were noted and they have been corrected. Commissioner Jacks moved to accept as presented. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #15-Discuss with possible action to consider / approve starting the procurement process for Administrative Services regarding National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for Broadband Infrastructure Grant

Judge Melton recommended to begin RFQ. Commissioner Lowe moved to start procurement process regarding NIST for Broadband Infrastructure Grant. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #16-Discuss with possible action on appointing a committee to rate the proposals for the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) for Broadband Infrastructure grant administrator

Judge Melton asked that a committee of four be appointed. Commissioner Cox moved to appoint a committee consisting of Judge Melton, Melinda Bryan, David Roach and Commissioner Jacks. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #17-Discuss with possible action on Pct. 3 removing brick structure off Bronson VFD property

Commissioner Jacks reported that the brick will be used on roads to fill in washouts. Judge Melton stated that agreements are in place to help VFD and asked to get an Agreement in place to work on the property. Commissioner Lowe moved to have an Agreement in place to remove brick structure off Bronson VFD property. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #18-Discuss with possible action on the 2022 Election Canvass

County Clerk Jamie Clark reported the 2022 Election Canvass is complete. All numbers matched. Commissioner Lowe moved to accept the 2022 Election Canvass. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #19-Discuss with possible action on paying accounts and salaries

Commissioner Jacks moved to approve paying accounts and salaries. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #20-Public Comments

Communications Director Kimberly Cline with Alabama/Coushatta Tribe of Texas informed the Court that the first weekend in June the PowWow is returning and mask restrictions are lifted at Naskila.

Keith Payne with GrantWorks offers grant opportunities to the County. HUD and GLO issues are on hold due to competitive grants.

Pastor Troy Richardson invites everyone to attend First Baptist Church's revival beginning Sunday, March 20 and ending Wednesday, March 23, 2022.

AGENDA ITEM #21-The Commissioners' Court may go into executive session, if necessary, Pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, for one or more of the following reasons: (1) consultation with the County Attorney to seek or receive legal advice or consultation regarding pending or contemplated litigation; (2) discussion about the value or transfer of real property; (3) discussion about a prospective gift or donation; (4) consideration of specific personnel matters; (5) discussion about security personnel or devices; or (6) discussion of certain economic development matters. The Commissioners' Court may announce that it will go into executive session on any item listed on this agenda if the subject matter is permitted for a closed session by provisions of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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

DARYL MELTON

BRENT COX

JIMMY MCDANIEL

STANLEY JACKS

JAMES LOWE, JR

ATTEST: COUNTY CLERK

JAMIE CLARK