

Monday, June 13, 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	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 possible action on General Business

Commissioner McDaniel moved to approve the minutes as written of the May 23rd regular meeting and May 27th special meeting. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

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

There were none.

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

There were none.

AGENDA ITEM #4-Recognize Veteran Report by Veteran Officer Thomas Warren

Officer Warren presented statistics/expenditures report involving Sabine County veterans for Year 2021. The Court praised Warren for his service and his duty in assisting veterans in any capacity needed. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #5-Discuss with possible action on Change Order No. 1 in reference to 2020 TDA-CDBG County Road Project Contract # 7220401 (GLS)381031, Eddings Lane

Nick Hoelscher with Goodwin, Lasiter and Strong presented a construction contract change order involving a timeframe factor for culvert replacement on Eddings Lane in Precinct 3 with an extension of 149 days ending October 29, 2022. Commissioner Jacks moved to accept the construction change order. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #6-Discuss with possible action to recognize the canvass completed by Democrat and Republican parties

Jamie Clark, County Clerk reported that R. D. Griffin, Republican Party Chair and Angela Stewart, Democratic Party Chair canvassed June 2, 2022. They were in agreement with their numbers and submitted those to the Secretary of State. A total of 810 people voted in the May 24th runoff election (including election day,

early voting and absentee). Out of the 810 voters there were 75 Democrats and 735 Republicans. The Clerk's office has completed all documentation and reported to the Secretary of State. Commissioner McDaniel moved to recognize the canvass completed by Democratic and Republican parties. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached](#).

AGENDA ITEM #7-Discuss with possible action on appointment to DETCOG Board for 2022-2023

Commissioner Jacks moved to continue with the appointment of Judge Melton to serve on the DETCOG Board for 2022-2023. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached](#).

AGENDA ITEM #8-Discuss with possible action on county health insurance.

No action taken. Item tabled for June 27, 2022 regular meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #9-Discuss with possible action on pursuing the 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)

The grant program cycles every two years and, in the past, has covered sewer/water, road and bridge and at this point will cover any other items presented. Commissioner Jacks moved to pursue the 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program by the TDA. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #10-Discuss with possible action on starting Procurement for administrative services (RFP) and for qualifications for engineering services (RFQ) for the 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)

Commissioner Lowe moved to start Procurement for administrative services (RFP) and for qualifications for engineering services (RFQ) for the 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program administered by the TDA. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #11-Discuss with possible action on selecting score committee for 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA)

Commissioner Lowe moved that Treasurer Tricia Jacks, Commissioner Jacks, Commissioner Lowe and Auditor Malinda Bryan serve on the committee for 2023-2024 Texas Community Development Grant program administered by the TDA. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached](#).

AGENDA ITEM #12-Discuss with possible action on Grant awarded by Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Rural Economic Development (RED) Pilot Program

Judge Melton stated the county was awarded grant in the amount of \$50,000 with TDA paying \$45,000. Commissioner Jacks moved to accept Grant

awarded by TDA Rural Economic Development (RED) Pilot Program.
Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #13-Discuss with possible action on Hotel Motel funding for projects: signage/Airbnb

Treasurer Jacks presented packet containing information on county-wide marketing/advertising for short term rental properties such as Airbnb's, Vrbo's and so forth; as well as signage on major highways and areas. Commissioner Cox moved to approve on Hotel Motel funding for projects : signage/Airbnb. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #14-Discuss with possible action on establishing date for transferring tax funds to Road and Bridge departments

Commissioner Jacks moved to transfer this year's tax funds for Road and Bridge departments on June 13, 2022 and set future yearly funds for the first week of January. Commissioner Lowe seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #15-Discuss with possible action on paying Accounts and Salaries

Commissioner Lowe moved to pay Accounts and Salaries. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. [See attached.](#)

AGENDA ITEM #16-Public Comments

Gerald "Bo" Allison is receiving Hospice care and is need of prayer. He is the husband of retired employee, Peggy Allison, who passed away recently.

IRS is changing mileage rate from 58.5¢ to 62.5¢ on July 1st.

Pursuant to Agenda Item #19, a Closed Executive Session began at 9:26 a.m. involving Agenda Item #17 and Agenda Item #18.

Executive Session ended at 9:44 a.m. Regular session resumed.

AGENDA ITEM #17-Discuss with possible action on current Gradall operator position

Commissioner McDaniel moved that precincts would share a Gradall operator until the full-time operator returns from FMLA or if not, then hire one. Commissioner Jacks seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #18-Discuss with possible action to determine job description on Gradall operator

Commissioner Jacks moved to prepare a new job description for a Gradall operator. Commissioner McDaniel seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

AGENDA ITEM #19-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