

On this the 10th day of October, A. D., 2023, the Commissioners' Court of Chambers County, with the following members present, to-wit:

Commissioner, Pct. 1 Jimmy Gore
Commissioner, Pct. 4 Ryan Dagley
Commissioner, Pct. 3 Thomas Hammond
Commissioner, Pct. 2 Mark Tice
County Clerk Heather H. Hawthorne
County Judge Jimmy Sylvia

With the following members absent, to-wit:

met in a REGULAR MEETING, at which time the following items were discussed, considered, passed or adopted, to-wit:

Judge Sylvia, according to law, opened Court at 9:40 a.m. into Open Session. County Engineer Robert Hall offered prayer. Judge Sylvia led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag.

ADMINISTRATION

1.1 Citizen's comments

Yvette Del Rio and Jeanne Marie Ewing of Bridgehaven Child Advocacy Center gave statistics on the number of children helped and thanked the Court for its support.

Commissioner Hammond reminded the Court about the upcoming Old River-Winfree Founders Day in Old River.

FINANCIAL

2.1 Discuss and consider Justice of the Peace, Pct 6 2022 Audit Report

23-10-1315 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to accept the Justice of the Peace, Pct 6 2022 Audit Report. Comments by County Auditor Aaron Thomas.

Passed; Insert.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

17.1 Discuss and consider approving the 2024-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Chambers County Officer's Association

23-10-1314 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Tice to approve the 2024-2025 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Chambers County Officer's Association. Comments by County Auditor Aaron Thomas, Dagley, Judge Sylvia and Sheriff Brian Hawthorne.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.4 Discuss and consider allowing Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast to remobilize on Kilgore Parkway

23-10-1337 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to allow Texas Materials Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast to remobilize on Kilgore Parkway. Comments by Dagley, Judge Sylvia, County Auditor Aaron Thomas, Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed.

ADMINISTRATION

1.2 Discuss and consider Resolution recognizing October 16-20, 2023 as Chambers of Commerce Week.

23-10-1321 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to approve Resolution recognizing October 16-20, 2023 as Chambers of Commerce Week. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Management Samantha Humphrey.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.2 Discuss and consider approving an interlocal agreement between Chambers County and Trinity Bay Conservation District for the sharing of costs for the engineer design services for the replacement of two (2) bridges located at State Highway 65 and Spindletop Bayou and State Highway 124 and Spindletop Bayou

23-10-1333 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to approve an interlocal agreement between Chambers County and Trinity Bay Conservation District for the sharing of costs for the engineer design services for the replacement of two (2) bridges located at State Highway 65 and Spindletop Bayou and State Highway 124 and Spindletop Bayou. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez, Jerry Shadden with Trinity Bay Conservation District, Gore, Director of Economic Development and Grant Management Samantha Humphrey, Cody Croley with LJA Engineering, outside counsel Nathan Brandimart and Hammond.

Passed; Insert.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**5.3 Discuss and consider Targa Downstream, LLC Ch. 381 Tax Abatement proposal**

23-10-1351 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to accept the Targa Downstream, LLC Ch. 381 Tax Abatement Proposal. Comments by B.J. Simon, Economic Development Foundation, and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**5.1 Discuss and consider authorizing change order in the amount of \$7,876 for hurricane-rated shelter doors at Chambers County Landfill Tower site (ARPA)**

Agenda item tabled.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM**5.2 Discuss and consider allowing the Trinity Valley Exposition (TVE) to borrow 15 to 20 portable lamb and goat pens from the Chambers County Youth Project Show**

23-10-1346 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to allow the Trinity Valley Exposition (TVE) to borrow 15 to 20 portable lamb and goat pens from the Chambers County Youth Project Show. Comments by Director of Economic Development and Grant Administration Samantha Humphrey.

Passed.

ROAD & BRIDGE**3.1 Discuss and consider using Chambers Surveying and Mapping for survey work on (3) three tracts for Kilgore Regional Drainage Expansion in the amount of \$4,500.00**

23-10-1332 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond to use Chambers Surveying and Mapping for survey work on (3) three tracts for Kilgore Regional Drainage Expansion in the amount of \$4,500.00. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE**3.3 Discuss and consider using Chambers Surveying and Mapping for survey work on (1) one tract for Chambers Parkway formerly known as Old Needlepoint Road in the amount of \$1,800.00**

23-10-1334 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley to use Chambers Surveying and Mapping for survey work on (1) one tract for Chambers Parkway formerly known as Old Needlepoint Road in the amount of \$1,800.00. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.5 Discuss and consider request to go out for bids on east Kilgore Parkway

Agenda item was pulled.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.6 Discuss and consider using Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc. (TNP) for Professional Services necessary for the development of Chambers Parkway from SH 146 to Needlepoint Rd

23-10-1339 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to use Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc. (TNP) for Professional Services necessary for the development of Chambers Parkway from SH 146 to Needlepoint Rd. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez, Dagley, Gore and County Engineer Robert Hall.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.7 Approve using Bay Area Fence & Gates for Road & Bridge fence replacement in the amount of \$55,682.00

23-10-1342 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice to use Bay Area Fence & Gates for Road & Bridge fence replacement in the amount of \$55,682.00. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed; Insert.

ROAD & BRIDGE

3.8 Discuss and consider using Teague Nall and Perkins (TNP) for land acquisition services for Kilgore Regional Drainage Project

23-10-1345 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 4 Dagley to use Teague Nall and Perkins (TNP) for land acquisition services for Kilgore Regional Drainage Project. Comments by Engineer in Training Natalie Lopez, Hammond and Dagley.

Passed; Insert.

SOLID WASTE**8.1 Discuss and consider the purchase of a Tub Grinder from Vermeer Equipment of Texas LLC. in the amount of \$589,433.00**

23-10-1324 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 2 Tice and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to approve the purchase of a Tub Grinder from Vermeer Equipment of Texas LLC. in the amount of \$589,433.00. Comments by Director of Solid Waste Debbie Elliot and County Purchasing Agent George Barrera.

Passed; Insert.

PERSONNEL**18.1 Discuss and consider reinstating years of service, vacation and longevity for Camerino Rivas**

23-10-1354 Motion made by Commissioner, Pct. 3 Hammond and seconded by Commissioner, Pct. 1 Gore to reinstate years of service, vacation and longevity for Camerino Rivas. Comments by Director of Human Resources Lauren VanDeventer, Hammond and Gore.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.1 Monthly reports**

23-9-1291 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the Monthly reports.

Passed.

CONSENT**19.2 Claim Docket/Check Register**

23-9-1292 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the Claim Docket/Check Register.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.2.a Payroll Check Registers**

23-10-1350 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the Payroll Check Registers.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.3 Travel reimbursements and misc. expenditures

23-9-1293 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the travel reimbursements and misc. expenditures.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.4 Budget amendments/transfers

23-9-1294 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the Budget amendments/transfers.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.5 Approve job descriptions

23-9-1295 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve job descriptions.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.6 Approve payroll changes

23-9-1296 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve payroll changes.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.7 Approve Commissioners Court minutes

None submitted.

CONSENT

19.8 Approve Amendment to Windstream Contract for Additional PRI (primary rate interferences)-Technology

23-9-1312 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve Amendment to Windstream Contract for Additional PRI (primary rate interferences)-**Technology**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.9 Approve application from Comcast for utility construction to install fiber optic cable in the west right-of-way of Bay Road-R&B

23-10-1316 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve application from

Comcast for utility construction to install fiber optic cable in the west right-of-way of Bay Road-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.10 Approve application for utility application from Quiddity Engineering, LLC for sanitary sewer line in Kilgore Parkway right-of-way-R&B

23-10-1317 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve application for utility application from Quiddity Engineering, LLC for sanitary sewer line in Kilgore Parkway right-of-way-R&B.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.11 Approve the November 7, 2023 Joint Constitutional Amendment Election services contracts for Barbers Hill ISD, East Chambers ISD, Goose Creek CISD, City of Beach City, Cresswind Cove MUD #1, Riceland Management MUD, Riceland MUD #1, Riceland MUD #2, and Riceland MUD #3.- County Clerk

23-10-1318 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the November 7, 2023, Joint Constitutional Amendment Election services contracts for Barbers Hill ISD, East Chambers ISD, Goose Creek CISD, City of Beach City, Cresswind Cove MUD #1, Riceland Management MUD, Riceland MUD #1, Riceland MUD #2, and Riceland MUD #3.- **County Clerk**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.12 Approve renewal of BeyondTrust Remote Support Maintenance in the amount of \$9,274.20-Technology

23-10-1319 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve renewal of BeyondTrust Remote Support Maintenance in the amount of \$9,274.20-**Technology**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.13 Approve purchase of a welding machine from Coastal Welding Supply in the amount of \$10,923.00-Parks

23-10-1320 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve purchase of a welding machine from Coastal Welding Supply in the amount of \$10,923.00-**Parks**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.14 Accept into record bi-weekly department update prepared by Department of Economic Development and Grant Management -Economic Development

23-10-1322 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to accept into record bi-weekly department update prepared by Department of Economic Development and Grant Management -**Economic Development**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.15 Approve Ameriport South, minor plat-R&B

23-10-1325 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve Ameriport South, minor plat-**R&B**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.16 Approve 2024 County holidays-HR

23-10-1326 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve 2024 County holidays-**HR**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.17 Approve 2024 Commissioners Court dates-Comm. Ct.

23-10-1327 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve 2024 Commissioners Court dates-**Comm. Ct.**

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.18 Adopt the 2024 Chambers County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program-County Judge

23-10-1328 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to adopt the 2024 Chambers County Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program-**County Judge**.

Passed.

CONSENT

19.19 Approve the appointment of Gilbert Speights as the Central Counting Station Assistant Tabulation Supervisor for 2023-2024, replacing Gabriel Schmitt.- County Clerk

23-10-1329 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the appointment

of Gilbert Speights as the Central Counting Station Assistant Tabulation Supervisor for 2023-2024, replacing Gabriel Schmitt.- **County Clerk.**

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.20 Treasurer's Report on the status of the Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP) with respect to Chambers County DBA Arboretum Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Winnie. (September 2022 - August 2023) (September 2023 - August 2024)

23-10-1330 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to accept the Treasurer's Report on the status of the Quality Incentive Payment Program (QIPP) with respect to Chambers County DBA Arboretum Nursing and Rehabilitation Center of Winnie. (September 2022 - August 2023) (September 2023 - August 2024).

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.21 Approve November 7, 2023 Joint Constitutional Amendment Election overtime pay for County employees during the week of 11/6/2023 through 11/10/2023, not to exceed \$5,000.00.- County Clerk

23-10-1331 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve November 7, 2023, Joint Constitutional Amendment Election overtime pay for County employees during the week of 11/6/2023 through 11/10/2023, not to exceed \$5,000.00.- **County Clerk.**

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT

19.22 Approve allowing the existing sanitary sewer line located within Kilgore Parkway right-of-way to stay in place contingent upon approval-R&B

23-10-1335 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve allowing the existing sanitary sewer line located within Kilgore Parkway right-of-way to stay in place contingent upon approval-**R&B.**

Passed.

CONSENT

19.23 Approve payment for Tyler Technologies Incode Public Safety Annual Maintenance in the amount of \$46,663.14-Technology

23-10-1336 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve payment for Tyler Technologies Incode Public Safety Annual Maintenance in the amount of \$46,663.14-**Technology.**

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.24 Approve request to go out for RFQ's for Kilgore Regional Drainage Design Extension-R&B**

23-10-1340 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve request to go out for RFQ's for Kilgore Regional Drainage Design Extension-**R&B**.

Passed.

CONSENT**19.25 Award contract to Tippet Construction for new restrooms at Whites Park in the amount of \$207,212.40-Building Maintenance**

23-10-1341 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to award contract to Tippet Construction for new restrooms at Whites Park in the amount of \$207,212.40-**Building Maintenance**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.26 Award contract for Tippet Construction for new restrooms at McCollum Park in the amount of \$203,814.79-Building Maintenance**

23-10-1343 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to award contract for Tippet Construction for new restrooms at McCollum Park in the amount of \$203,814.79-**Building Maintenance**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.27 Approve the deductive Change Order (12,055.00) for Donna Street Public Health Renovations-Building Maintenance**

23-10-1344 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the deductive Change Order (12,055.00) for Donna Street Public Health Renovations-**Building Maintenance**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.28 Approve the outfitting of a new truck for Constable, Pct. 1 from Siddons-Martin in the amount of \$9,753.24-Constable, Pct. 1**

23-10-1347 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve the outfitting of a new truck for Constable, Pct. 1 from Siddons-Martin in the amount of \$9,753.24-**Constable, Pct. 1**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.29 Approve agreement with Biomedical Waste Solutions for medical waste collection and transport from the Chambers County Sheriff's Office-Jail Division**

23-10-1348 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve agreement with Biomedical Waste Solutions for medical waste collection and transport from the Chambers County Sheriff's Office-**Jail Division**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.30 Approve Treasurer's Report - August 31, 2023-Treasurer**

23-10-1349 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve Treasurer's Report - August 31, 2023-**Treasurer**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.31 Approve TCDRS (Texas County & District Retirement System) plan agreement for FY2024 increasing employer matching to 250% for past and future-HR**

23-10-1353 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve TCDRS (Texas County & District Retirement System) plan agreement for FY2024 increasing employer matching to 250% for past and future-**HR**.

Passed; Insert.

CONSENT**19.32 Approve vacation carryover for Morgan Smith (40 hrs.)-HR**

23-10-1355 Motion made by Dagley and seconded by Tice to approve vacation carryover for Morgan Smith (40 hrs.)-**HR**.

Passed; Insert.

At 10:31 a.m., Court adjourned out of Regular Session and entered into Executive Session. At 12:57 p.m., Court returned from Executive Session and entered into Regular Session. Commissioner Tice was not present.

LIBRARY & HISTORICAL**16.1 Discuss and consider approving an office lease between Chambers County and First Methodist Church Anahuac for the temporary Chambers County Anahuac library during construction of the justice center project**

Item was taken to Executive Session. When the Court returned from Executive Session, the item was tabled.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.1 Discuss and consider personnel issues-Executive Session

No action taken.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.2 Discuss and consider the sale/purchase of real property-Executive Session

No action taken.

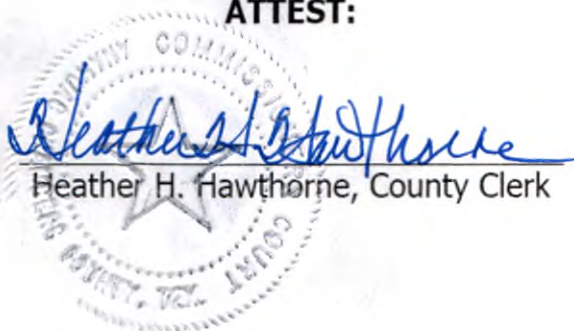
EXECUTIVE SESSION

20.3 Discuss and consider FMLA extension request-Executive Session

No action taken.

There being no further business, Court adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

ATTEST:



Heather H. Hawthorne, County Clerk

APPROVED:

DocuSigned by:

Jimmy Sylvia
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County Judge, Jimmy Sylvia