

**JONES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

The Commissioner's Court of Jones County, Texas, met this day in regular session with the following members present: Dale Spurgin, County Judge, presiding; Roy Spalding, Commissioner Precinct 1; Lonnie Vivian, Commissioner Precinct 2; Ross Davis, Commissioner Precinct 3; Joel Spraberry, Commissioner Precinct 4; and LeeAnn Jennings, Jones County Clerk.

1. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST REGULAR MEETING.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to approve the minutes from the December 27, 2023 regular meeting as presented. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

2. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING ALL TRUST PROPERTY BIDS AS ONE ACTION ITEM, AGENDA ITEMS 3-4. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve agenda items three and four in one action. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

3. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A BID SUBMITTED BY ELIZABETH ADRIANA HUERTA GARCIA AND J. GUADALUPE HERNANDEZ RINCON FOR THE PURCHASE OF (R20801), A TRACT OF LAND IN THE CHAS. GATES LEAGUE NO. 353, IN JONES COUNTY, TEXAS, BEING THE SAME PROPERTY AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN A DEED RECORDED IN VOL. 297 AND PG. 886, OF DEED RECORDS OF JONES COUNTY, TEXAS, SUCH DESCRIPTION BEING INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE (R20801). THE BID AMOUNT IS \$3550.00. COURT COST HAS BEEN WAIVED. Refer to agenda item two. See Exhibit A.

4. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A BID SUBMITTED BY REVOLUTION REAL ESTATE FOR THE PURCHASE OF (R12057), LOT 6, BLOCK 2, HOLIDAY ACRES ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF HAMLIN, JONES COUNTY, TEXAS. THE BID AMOUNT IS \$28,000.00. COURT COST HAS BEEN WAIVED. Refer to agenda item two. See Exhibit B.

5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISASTER DECLARATION FOR DR 4416 AND DR 4269 AND ALL ITEMS RELATED REGARDING FEMA AND TDEM FORMS AND REQUIEMENTS. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

6. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ANSON SOLAR CENTER ROAD USE AGREEMENT. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

7. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

8. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TXDOT SURPLUS MATERIAL PROGRAM. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON EQUIPMENT PURCHASE. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

10. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON MATERIAL AND MATERIAL HAULING BIDS. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

11. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING SB 22 TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CONSTABLE'S OFFICES, AND PROSECUTOR'S OFFICES IN RURAL COUNTIES.

No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DEPUTATION OF CHARLES R. EVANS AS DEPUTY SHERIFF, JONES COUNTY. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve Charles R. Evans as Deputy Sheriff. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit C.

13. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO ADVERTISE FOR NEW VEHICLES FOR CONSTABLE AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE. Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve the advertisement to purchase new vehicles for the Constable and Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit D.

14. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BURN BAN.
No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

15. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BROADBAND INTERNET PROJECT AND GRANT APPLICATION. No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

16. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PERSONNEL POLICIES.
No action was taken by the Commissioners Court.

17. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON TREASURER'S REPORT.
Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

18. AMEND BUDGET AND APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS.
Commissioner Davis entered a motion to amend the budget and approve line-item transfers. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit E.

19. PAY BILLS.
Commissioner Davis entered a motion to pay the bills as presented by the Auditor. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

20. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL ON DEPUTATION OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve the deputation of all current county employees. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

21. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO DISTRIBUTE PAYROLL AS BUDGETED. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to authorize the treasurer to distribute payroll as budgeted. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

22. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDER SETTING COMPENSATION FOR COUNTY AUDITOR. Commissioner Davis entered a motion to set compensation for the County Auditor. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit F.

- 23. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDER SETTING COMPENSATION FOR ASSISTANT COUNTY AUDITOR.** Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to set compensation for the Assistant County Auditor. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit G.
- 24. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON ORDER SETTING SALARY OF OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER.** Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to set the salary of the Official Court Reporter. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit H.
- 25. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING AGENDA ITEMS 26 - 37 IN ONE ACTION.** Commissioner Davis entered a motion to approve agenda items twenty-six through thirty-seven in one action. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.
- 26. APPROVE BONDS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 27. SET BAILIFF PAY.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 28. SET SALARIES OF COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 29. SET PAY OF EMPLOYEES.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 30. SET SPECIAL VENIRE PAY.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 31. SET LICENSING AND REGISTRATION FEES FOR TAX AGENT.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 32. SET JUDGES TRAVEL EXPENSE.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 33. SET EDUCATIONAL EXPENSE FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 34. SET TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR COUNTY AGENT AND HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT.** Refer to agenda item 25.
- 35. SET JURY PAY.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 36. SET PAUPERS FUNERAL EXPENSE.**
Refer to agenda item 25.
- 37. SET EXPENSE ACCOUNT FOR JUVENILE BOARD MEMBERS.**
Refer to agenda item 25.

38. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON DISTRIBUTION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT FUNDS.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to distribute fire department funds based on the same formula used last year. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye. See Exhibit I.

39. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREMEN OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS WHILE WORKING FIRES.

Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to approve workers' compensation insurance for volunteer firemen working fires outside of the city limits. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

40. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to appoint Linda Kay Yarbrough, Phillip Dean Ellis and Jo Anne Flores to the Salary Grievance Committee with James Edgar Sides, Joseph Guzman and Johnnie Cockrell listed as alternates. Commissioner Vivian seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

41. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING AGENT AND ADOPT POLICY OF EXPENDITURES OF \$750 TO \$5000 APPROVED BY PURCHASING AGENT AND PURCHASES OVER \$5000 APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT. EACH REQUEST MUST BE MADE IN WRITING.

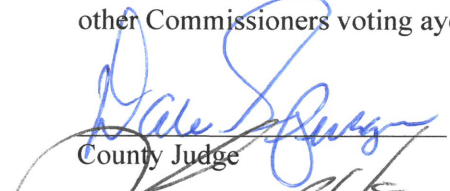
Commissioner Vivian entered a motion to appoint Judge Spurgin as purchasing agent and adopting a policy for expenditures from \$750 to \$5000 must be approved by the purchasing agent and any purchase over \$5000 must be approved by Commissioners Court. Commissioner Spalding seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

42. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SETTING THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE JONES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR 2024.

Commissioner Spalding entered a motion to identify the second and fourth Monday of each month at 9AM in the Commissioners Courtroom on the third floor of the Courthouse as the designated regular meeting time of the Jones County Commissioners Court for 2024 with the Jones County Activity Center as the alternate location. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Davis entered a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Spraberry seconded the motion with all other Commissioners voting aye.

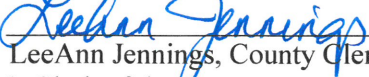

County Judge


Commissioner Precinct 2


Commissioner Precinct 4

Commissioner Precinct 1


Commissioner Precinct 3

Attest: 
LeeAnn Jennings, County Clerk
& Clerk of the Court

