

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

January 12, 2021

BE IT REMEMBERED That the Commissioners' Court of Comanche County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on the 12th day of January, 2021 with the following members present: Judge Stephanie L. Davis, Presiding; Gary "Corky" Underwood, Commissioner Precinct #1, Russell Gillette, Commissioner Precinct #2; Sherman Sides, Commissioner Precinct #3 and Jimmy Dale Johnson, Commissioner Precinct#4.

Judge Stephanie L. Davis opened the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Commissioner Sides gave the invocation.

Commissioners Sides and Underwood made the motion and second to approve the Minutes of the December 28, 2020 Meeting as presented. All approved. Motion carried.

Public Comment; none

Commissioners Gillette and Sides made the motion and second to approve the venue for the Chamber of Commerce events to be held on the Courthouse Square in 2021. All approved. Motion carried. Events to be held on the Courthouse Square include the following; Comanche Farmers Market-March 6, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4, October 2, November 7; Spring Jubilee Trailers & Tiaras/Sisters on the fly-April 17-18; Wild Hog Cook-Off- May 1-2; Jams in June Free Concerts-June 3, 10, 17, & 24; Comanche Open Rodeo Parade-TBA; Historic Downtown and Around Trunk or Treat-October 31; Steve Clemons Annual Deer Hunters Chili Supper-November 6; Christmas Lighting-November 27 and Explore Comanche Christmas-Parade, 5K, Santa Pictures.

Commissioners Gillette and Johnson made the motion and second to acknowledge an Order from the District Judge reappointing Joey Boswell as Comanche County Auditor. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioners Johnson and Sides made the motion and second to approve the finance agreement between the County Attorney's Office and Cannon Financial Services, Inc. to finance an iR400IF copier for a term of 60 months with a monthly cost of \$59.00. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioners Underwood and Gillette made the motion and second to approve the lease agreement between Kirbo's Office Systems Equipment and the Comanche County Sheriff's Office for the lease of a Canon copier iR4551 and a Canon copier iRC45540i for a term of 60 months at a rate of 250 per month. All approved. Motion carried.

Sheriff Pounds discussed an agreement between the Sheriff's Office and the City of DeLeon for assistance with animal control in the unincorporated areas of Comanche County. Comanche County does not have an established animal control in the county and from time to time may require assistance from DeLeon Animal Control. However, Pounds stated calling upon DeLeon to catch and housing animals would be as a last resort. The Sheriff's Office would be responsible for the cost incurred by the City of DeLeon Animal Control.

Commissioners Johnson and Sides made the motion and second to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between City of DeLeon and Comanche County Sheriff's Office for animal control assistance in the unincorporated area of Comanche County. All approved. Motion passed.

Judge Davis presented an Order from Shaun Carpenter, Local Administrative Judge, District Judge for Bosque, Comanche and Hamilton Counties relating to criminal dispositions that are required to be reported to the Criminal Justice Information System at the Texas Department of Public Safety within 5 days of the Judgment, pursuant to Governor Abbot's Executive Order number eight dated September 5, 2019. Counties must maintain an average of 90% or above for both adult and juvenile disposition reporting to be eligible for Criminal Justice Division funding. A loss of these funds would negatively affect county budgets and taxpayers. Comanche County is the only county in the 220th Judicial District that is in compliance with the 90% reporting as required by Chapter 66 of the Criminal Code of Procedure. The concern is that Bosque, Comanche and Hamilton may all be affected if all three counties are not in compliance.

It is therefore ordered; the Sheriff's Offices of Bosque, Comanche and Hamilton Counties submit calculations for jail credit to the prosecutor prior to the date of defendant's sentencing; prosecuting attorney and /or community supervision officer submit a final judgment and certification of time credit before sentencing; Judges of Bosque, Comanche and Hamilton Counties shall not sentence a defendant until a final judgment and if required time credit is presented to the court; the clerks report the final disposition to CJIS within 48 hours of filing a final judgment signed by the court; this order shall expire when Bosque, Hamilton and Comanche are all in compliance.

Sheriff Pounds reported on the Texas Traffic Safety eGrant thru TXDOT for the period of November 13 thru December 2, 2020. The click-it or ticket program is designed to reduce major vehicle crashes. The grant reimbursed the Sheriff's Office for overtime by patrol officers during this period. The grant reimbursed the Sheriff's office \$1,260.72 in overtime expense.

Judge Davis stated Marie Oehlerking with the Komatsu Firm has sent emails to elected officials and departments that may request space in the Annex at 215 N. Houston, Comanche. Input is needed from each department or office so that a floor plan may be developed. The deadline has been extended to January 18, 2021 to submit the survey.

Core group meeting are ongoing with the Texas A&M Community Planning Project. A taskforce of 15 has been established. Establishing city groups for the city of Comanche, DeLeon and Gustine is in progress. A Junior Taskforce will be established composed of juniors and seniors from the schools in the county.

All entities in the county are in regular meetings to receive updates on COVID-19. Current Comanche County Covid-19 updates are available on Judge Davis's Face book page.

As of January 12 Comanche County Medical Center has administered 300 Covid-19 vaccines and Brookshire has administered 100. The second dose will be administered four weeks after the first dose. Comanche County is expected to receive additional first doses soon.

The County has received the transfer on paper of \$123,000 from Corona Virus Relief Fund Grant (Cares) funds designated for the City of DeLeon. The City of DeLeon has develop an interlocal agreement between the City

of DeLeon and Comanche County for disbursement of these funds. These funds will be deposited in a special account to be held for an undetermined period of time.

No changes have been made to the Administrative COVID-19 leave policy. Each elected official may grant employee leave due to COVID-19 without Commissioner Court Approval.

No changes have been made to the Courthouse Covid-19 policies and procedures.

Tricia Grimshaw reported work is ongoing on the close out documentation for grant projects DR-4223, DR-4272, DR4416.

Commissioners Johnson and Gillette made the motion and second to enact a Burn Ban beginning January 12 and ending April 12, 2021. All approved. Motion passed.

Sheriff Pounds presented the Sheriff's Office Report for December 2020.

The Jail had 1205 Inmate Days, 31/31 Contract days,

85 Book in/Release and 7 Sentenced,

Patrol; 580 Calls for Service,

59 Offense Reports and 16 Arrests,

182 Training Hours,

Employment; Openings; 1 Jailer position and 2 Dispatch positions Hired 0 Jailers.

No action was taken on Officer's Reports.

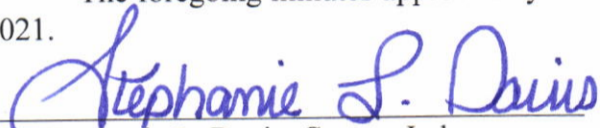
Commissioner Gillette made the motion to enter an Order approving the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month of December, 2020 with the total amount of cash and investments in the custody of the County Treasurer as of the period covered by this report was \$7,202,441.346. Commissioner Sides seconds the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Commissioners Underwood and Johnson made the motion and second to approve the Amendments to the budget. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioner Johnson and Sides made the motion and second to audit accounts due and owing and approve payment thereof in the amount of \$89,458.40. All approved. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Court, Court was adjourned this the 12th day of December, 2020 with a motion by Commissioner Johnson and a second by Commissioner Gillette. All approved. Motion carried.

The foregoing minutes approved by the Comanche County Commissioners' Court on the 25th day of January, 2021.


Stephanie L. Davis, County Judge

Attest:

