

# COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

December 14, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED That the Commissioners' Court of Comanche County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting on the 14th day of December, 2020 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 9:01 a.m. Judge Davis left the meeting at 9:45 am.

Commissioner Underwood gave the invocation.

Commissioners Sides and Gillette made the motion and second to approve the minutes of the November 23, 2020 Meeting as presented. All approved. Motion carried.

Public Comment; none

Sherry Ward gave an update on the Agency on Aging funding. It was reported funding of approximately \$25,000 had been received from the State for the months of June and July with assurances additional funding would be forthcoming. This will get the Agency on Aging current with its bills and will be ok for now.

Commissioner Underwood made the motion to approve a salary increase for Comanche County employees for the month of December only at a rate of \$100 net for full time employees and \$50 net for part-time employees, excluding elected officials. Commissioner Sides made the second to the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioners Sides and Gillette made the motion and second to forgo the employees 2020 Christmas Luncheon this year due to Covid-19. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioner Underwood made the motion to approve the Application For Water, Sewer, and Garbage Service, Service Agreement for the County Annex at 215 North Houston Street, Comanche between Comanche County and the City of Comanche. Trash will be collected and brought to the Courthouse dumpster until there is a need for a trash receptacle. Commissioner Sides made the second to the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

No update to the property at 211 South Austin Street, Comanche.

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.

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.

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 will be requested to develop an interlocal agreement 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.

There was no discussion of Emergency Management Operations for grants.

The Burn Ban remains in effect.

No action was taken on the Order Regulating Certain Fireworks in the Unincorporated Area of the County due to Comanche County not being designated as in a drought condition.

Judge Davis stated Marie Oehlerking with the Komatsu Firm will be sending 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.

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.

Judge Davis reported the County Trapper position had been filled by the former Trapper, Barry Frieda.

Commissioners Johnson and Gillette made the motion and second to acknowledge the 2020 completion of continuing education requirements for Grace Everhart, County Tax Assessor Collector. All approved. Motion passed

No action was taken on Officer's Reports.

Commissioner Johnson made the motion to enter an Order approving the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month of November, 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 \$7,187,286.32. Commissioner Gillette seconds the motion. All approved. Motion carried.

Commissioners Sides and Underwood 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 \$269, 840,44. All approved. Motion carried.

Judge Davis left the meeting at this point to attend a funeral.

Commissioners Gillette and Sides made the motion to request the TXDOT 2021 Local Government Assistance Program Surplus Material but will request crushed road base instead of the flex/base material deposited at the intersection of Hwy 36 and FM 1702. All approved. Motion passed. The county's allotment is \$16,812.

Commissioners Underwood and Gillette made the motion and second to approve the first quarter payment as requested by the Comanche Central Appraisal District. All approved Motion passed. Adjustments may be made later.

Commissioners Gillette and Underwood made the motion and second to approve the amended Resolution from TXDOT, CR 340, Leon River, NBI#23047oAA392001, CSJ#0923-17-088, Precinct #3. The amendment added #6 which authorized the County Judge to sign the agreement. All approved. Motion passed.

Notice from the Department of the Army, U. S. Corp of Engineers has been received informing Comanche County that the License #DACW63-3-16-0688 will expire on August 8, 2021. This license is for the continued operation, maintenance and repair of a road, parking area and boat ramp on Tract 412 at Lake Proctor. This boat ramp is in Precinct #3.

Commissioners Johnson and Underwood made the motion and second to authorize Commissioner Sides to contact the Corps of Engineers and request the renewal of License DACW63-3-16-0688 for the boat ramp in Precinct #3. All approved. Motion passed.

Commissioners Gillette and Johnson made the motion and second to approve the appointments to the Comanche County Historical Commission for the term of January 1, 2021-January 1, 2023. Appointees include; Fain McDaniel, Eddie Cox, Wes Redden, Alfred Evans, Missy Jones, Curtis Lesley, Sarah Awbrey, Margaret Dudley, Cliff Conway, Lee White, Hoppy Eubanks, Tommy Alford, Jon Awbrey, Caroline Pinkard, Rose Taylor, Linda Frank, Anna Thompson, Sharla Cheatham, Richard Pinkard, Ray Trosper and Rita Trosper. All approved. Motion passed. Members deleted from the appointment list include Margaret Waring, Garry Steele and Joe Allen.

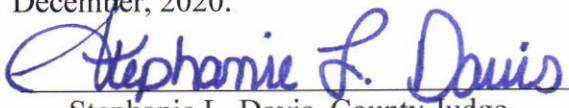
Commissioners Sides and Underwood made the motion and second to send a letter and copy of the Resolution for 100 additional Medicaid beds in Comanche County. This is in response to a request from the Texas Health and Human Services Department confirming actions of Commissioners' Court. All approved. Motion passed.

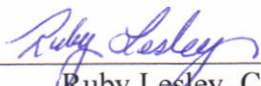
Sheriff Pounds presented the November, 2020 Sheriff's Report.

The Jail had 1012 Inmate Days, 30/30 Contract days,  
59 Book in/Release and 8 Sentenced,  
Patrol; 685 Calls for Service,  
52 Offense Reports and 16 Arrests,  
136 Training Hours,  
Employment; Openings; 1 Jailer position and 1 Dispatch positions Hired 0 Jailers.

There being no further business to come before the Court, Court was adjourned this the 14th day of December, 2020 with a motion by Commissioner Underwood and a second by Commissioner Sides. All approved. Motion carried.

The foregoing minutes approved by the Comanche County Commissioners' Court on the 28th day of December, 2020.

  
Stephanie L. Davis, County Judge

Attest:   
Ruby Lesley, County Clerk

