MINUTES

On this the 26th day of May, 2020 the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas met in Regular Session at 10:05 a.m. with the following elected officials present:

Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. 1	
James L. Brock, Commissioner Pct. 2	
Henry Birdwell, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	
Brian Keith Umphress, County Judge	

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PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public spoke.

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PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Judge Umphress made a motion to pay all accounts and claims submitted for approval. Commissioner Brock seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0)

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

(a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for May 11, 2020;

Commissioner Birdwell made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items with correction of a road name on the minutes. Commissioner Brock seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0)

TIMED AGENDA

None.

REPORT FROM PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS AND MOTT, LLP REGARDING THE CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF JACKSBORO; AND UPDATE OF COUNTY TAX COLLECTIONS

Tony Fidelie via zoom video addressed the Court regarding the interlocal agreement with the City of Jacksboro. Their Company also owns Texas Communities Group, LLC that helps to get the distressed property in the City or County maintained and get them sold. The tax code provides for the City or County to recoup money spent to take care of this property. Must give 30 days notice to terminate the agreement with the Texas Communities Group, LLC.

Motion was made by Commissioner Oliver to enter into the interlocal agreement with the City of Jacksboro. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Birdwell and passes unanimously. (4-0)

Agreement to be entered into the record at a future meeting.

Mr. Fidelie gave an update regarding collections that have been performed since contracting with them for tax collections.

UPDATE ON THE CARES ACT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION-JUDGE UMPHRESS

Judge Umphress the Cares Act puts \$55 per capita according to the upcoming census. He submitted an eligibility certification last week. The funds must be used to cover certain costs incurred during and because of the Covid-19 crisis. Several entities in the County have had extra costs that could be covered by this fund. He received an acknowledgement that the Sate had received his eligibility certification. All of this will be done electronically the State will wire the money to the account information they are given.

BUDGET FY 2020-2021

Some of the offices have turned in their budget requests. This item will be a standing item through the budget process to allow for discussion. We will utilize Net Data through the budget process this year. STW will convert our budget in October 2020. The Courthouse will open up June 1, 2020, there will be a lot going on this week to prepare for opening. There will be plans for two workshops in June and more in July.

DISCUSSION OF PRECINCT OPERATIONS

The County has received a lot of rain this month. Commissioners have been working on roads and bridges after water has washed out some of them.

Jack County Sheriff's Department and Fire Departments responded to a neighboring community in Montague County that was hit by a Tornado and straight line winds in a storm last week.

REPORTS, IF ANY, BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS

The Justice if the Peace office has had some flooding. Work needs to be done in the flower bed next to the window to prevent this problem.

Judge Umphress would like to meet with the Commissioners Court regarding plans for maintenance in the Courthouse. Window units in the Courthouse leak into the offices when storms come through.

Judge Umphress has made arrangements for another custodian in the Courthouse to help keep the building clean and sanitized.

Constable Clyde Watson has offered to help with the Courthouse maintenance for a few weeks.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None mentioned.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business motion was made by Commissioner Brock to adjourn. Commissioner Oliver seconded the motion to adjourn and the motion passed unanimously. (4-0)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Henry Birdwell, Jr. Commissioner Pct. #3

Brian Keith Umphress, County Judge

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