

MINUTES

On this the 12th day of April 2021 the Commissioners Court of Jack County, Texas met in Regular Session at 9:02 a.m. beginning with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance to the American and Texas flags with the following individuals present:

Brian Keith Umphress
Gary Oliver
James Brock
Henry Birdwell, Jr.
Terry Ward
Vanessa James

County Judge
Commissioner Precinct 1
Commissioner Precinct 2
Commissioner Precinct 3
Commissioner Precinct 4
County Clerk

Lisa Perry
Candace Crow

County Auditor
Assistant County Auditor

Tom Spurlock
Chris Reger

Sheriff
Chief Deputy Sheriff

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VANESSA JAMES, County Clerk
JACK COUNTY, TEXAS

BY _____ DEPUTY

The following members of the public were in attendance:

Byron Barton, Charles Fetchtel, Maurine Dickey, Harold David Sloan, Mike Almond, Brady Osborne, Lisa Fetchtel Brown, David Garin, Caroline Spence, Joe Cordina, Terry Black, Freddy Hall, Eric White, Stan Thomas, George Clay, Colt Hynes, Charles Curtis Felkner, Malinda Crumley, Allen Crumley, Danny R. Moss, Roby Christie, Lynda Cannedy, Brandie Barton, Patricia Lunday, Otto Lunday, Albert Puig, Patricia Puig, Amanda Dale, Dennis Crumley, Jack Mathis, James Felkner, Levi Kirk, Shauna Nichols, Joe Paul Nichols, Jr., Jordan Nichols, Yvette Schundler, Pam Stults, Ronnie Stultz, Timothy Ogle, David Faram, Mark Muns, Craig Fenter, Ronald Fitzgerald, Anna Fitzgerald, Charlie Edmonson, Taylor Nichols, Michael Ward, Jimmy Day, Preston Fuller, Erin Nichols, Burney Dewayne White, Mary Jane Massie, Gary Massie, Ronnie Cafagna, Caroline Wunder, Erich Wumly, Ken A. Scott, Bob Maddox, Luke Armstrong, Betty Sparkman, Sally Marshall, Olyn Poole, George Coyle, Steve McClanahan, Debbie McClanahan, Charles Williams, George Sparkman, Wonka L. Williams, J. Dwayne Enlow, Edwin Ferguson, Oran Stem, Jayne Stem, Cynthia Coyle, James E. Campbell, Mary Lou Logan, Randy Fechtel, Alicia M. Fechtel, Martha Craft, Dennis Young, and Edwina K. Ferguson Mixon.

PUBLIC FORUM

No members of the public spoke.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND CLAIMS

Judge Umphress made a motion to pay all accounts and claims submitted for approval. Commissioner Birdwell seconded and the motion passed unanimously (5-0).

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- (a) Approval of Minutes of Meeting for March 22, 2021;
- (b) Approval/Renewal of Performance bond and Oath for Reserve Constable Jeffery Miller;
- (c) Approval/Renewal of Performance Bond and Oath for Deputy Sheriff Jeremy Howard;
- (d) Reception of Certificate of completion of 98.50 hours of approved study for fiscal year 2020 from Texas Judicial Academy for County Judge Brian Keith Umphress;
- (e) Acceptance of Citizen(s) Donation toward Sheriff's K-9 Program in amount of \$600.00;
- (f) Approval of Agreement between AirFiber, Inc. and Jack County for Internet Service;

Judge Umphress made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Ward and the motion passed unanimously (5-0).

TIMED AGENDA ITEMS

10:00-Opening of Sealed Bid Proposals for County Depository;

Bids complete and timely received from Jacksboro National Bank, and Prosperity Bank. The bids will be reviewed by the Depository Committee and will be presented on April 26, 2021.,

One bid received from First State Bank incomplete.

10:00-Public Hearing to consider and to act upon the adoption of Criteria and Guidelines for purposes of Tax Abatement, as required by §312.002 of the Texas Tax Code;

Public Hearing opened at 10:09 a.m. and the members of the public that had the desire to speak began to speak to the Court.

Public hearing closed at 12:21 p.m.

No action taken at this time.

REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL FOR JUDGE UMPHRESS TO SIGN FIVE (5)
TAX DEEDS AND PROPERTY CARDS FOR TRUST PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF
JACKSBORO

Motion was made by Commissioner Birdwell to approve Judge Umphress signing five tax deeds and property cards for trust properties in the City of Jacksboro, and to convey the property located behind the Halliburton Building and maintained by the Fort Richardson State Park to Fort Richardson. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brock and passed unanimously. (5-0)

DISCUSSION OF STATUS OF COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND
(CTIF) GRANT FROM TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Judge Umphress gave the public general information about CTIF.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ACCUMULATION OF VACATION/COMP
TIME FOR JACK COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Assistant Auditor reported information she had received from Texas Association of Counties HR Department regarding the best way to handle this issue.

Motion was made by Commissioner Oliver to buy back up to 40 hours of vacation time for all County employees. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Birdwell and passed unanimously. (5-0)

DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ANNUAL COUNTY CYBER TRAINING
TO BE CONDUCTED THROUGH THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (TAC)

Motion was made by Judge Umphress to approve agreement with Texas Association of Counties for cybersecurity training to be completed by all county Officials and Employees. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Oliver and passed unanimously. (5-0)

DISCUSSION OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT OPERATIONS

Commissioner Birdwell will finish rebuilding Loving Road this week.
Discussion of upcoming work to be done in the County by TxDOT.

REPORTS, IF ANY, BY OTHER DEPARTMENT HEADS


EMC, Frank Hefner updated the Court on COVID vaccination clinics the County helped with.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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. (5-

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.



Gary Oliver, Commissioner Pct. #1

James L. Brock, Commissioner Pct. #2

H D Birdwell Jr
Henry Birdwell, Jr. Commissioner Pct. #3

Terry Ward
Terry Ward, Commissioner Pct. #4

Brian Keith Umphress
Brian Keith Umphress, County Judge

ATTEST:

Vanessa James
Vanessa James, County Clerk

