

January 9, 2023

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on the above date at 9:00am to consider the below agenda items. Members present were Commissioners Jackie Don May Jr, David Simpson and John Walekr. Commissioner Phillip Gaines and Judge McDowell were absent. Also attending were: Margaret Dorman-Clerk of the Court; Nichole Mock-County Auditor; Cindy Brown-Tax Collector; and Rhonda Scott-SO dispatcher/jailer.

Commissioner Walker called the meeting to order and Jackie Don May Jr offered a prayer.

At 10:00 AM the above remained in attendance and were joined by Sherri Jones-District Clerk; Leslie Timmons-County Attorney; Kenneth Martindale-Constable Pct #2; Johnny Carter-Sheriff; Rick Walden-JP #2; Ken Daughtry-Emergency Management; Caden Walden-Chief SO Deputy; Larry Gatlin IT Director; Jime Beck-County Star News; and Louis Stas-Wheeler Times.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to approve the minutes from the December 2023 meetings as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the monthly fee reports that were submitted for: JP #1; JP #2; County Clerk; District Clerk; Tax collector and Treasurers disbursement report covering the period of December 21, 2022 through January 5, 2012 and totaling \$237,584.91. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

No action needed.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

No action needed.

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

No action needed.

POLICY MANUAL

No action needed.

BURN BAN

No action needed.

PANHANDLE REGIONAL HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION-Revenue Bonds-Astoria Park Apartment Project-Potter County

After discussion with County Attorney, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to sign the General and No Litigation Certificate. The project is not to exceed \$15,000,000 for restoration of the Astoria Park Apartments in Amarillo. Motion carried unanimously.

TAX COLLECTOR BRANCH OFFICE-Shamrock, Relocation of

Cindy Brown, Tax Collector, met with the court to request that she make the decision on place of relocation for the office used as a Branch vehicle tag office due to the recent purchase of another building by the City of Shamrock. The current tag office is located in the City pro-building. No action taken.

BRITT MCCARTER-ALLOWED TO TAKE ONLINE RADIO TWO WAY RADIO INSTALLATION AND REPAIR COURSE

At the request of Britt McCarter, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to allow enrollment and attendance of a 2-way radio technician training course. The cost will be \$895.00 and taught through Phase 4 Design Inc, and complete within 90 days. Motion carried unanimously.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE INCREASED-65.50 cents-effective January 1, 2023

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to increase the mileage reimbursement rate to 65.50 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

SICK LEAVE POOL COMMITTEE APPOINTED-Fiscal year 2023

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to appoint the following to the Wheeler County Sick Leave Pool committee: Johnny Carter, Sherri Jones, Ty Swift, Ken Daughtry and Mariah Selby, effective January 9, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-JAIL HVAC UNITS ON TOP OF JAIL REPLACEMENT (2)

No action taken.

SO-SHANNON DERRICK ADDED TO PAYROLL-Part time dispatcher/jailer-Effective January 20, 2023

At the request of Sheriff Carter, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to add Shannon Derrick to the payroll as a part time jailer/dispatcher, effective January 20, 2023 with a salary rate of \$17.00 per hour. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-BRANDON ARNOLD EMPLOYMENT STATUS TO INCLUDE RESERVE DEPUTY-effective January 10, 2023

At the request of Sheriff Carter, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to add Reserve Deputy to the employment status of Brandon Arnold, effective January 10, 2023. Hours will not exceed the hourly limit. Motion carried unanimously.

SO-REPLACEMENT OF 120V DRYER FOR JAIL-\$7,959.67-SCAAP GRANT FUNDS FOR PAYMENT

At the request of Sheriff Carter, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to allow the purchase of a replacement dryer for the jail in the amount of \$7,959.67. SCAAP grant funds will be used to pay the amount. Motion carried unanimously.

CC-CYBERSECURITY TRAINING CERTIFICATES APPROVED

Margaret Dorman, County Clerk, presented Certificates of Completion for herself and all three of the employees in the County Clerks office. The course is required according to Texas Government Code 2054.5191. Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the certificates as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER-BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT CONSIDERED

Renee Warren, County Treasurer, presented information concerning the Wheeler County Depository Contract which is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2023, unless extended the allowable 2 years. After discussion, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to extend the current contract for two years. Ms. Warren requested that the extended contract terms include a telephone number for a local contact person should questions arise. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to pay the bills as approved. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.


MARGARET DORMAN, COUNTY CLERK
APPROVED: 2/13/2023

PAT MCDOWELL, COUNTY JUDGE