

SEPTEMBER 23, 2024

The Wheeler County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on the above date at 9:00 AM to consider the below listed agenda items. Members present were: Judge McDowell, Commissioners Jackie Don May Jr, Phillip Gaines, David Simpson and John Walker. Also present were: Margaret Dorman-County Clerk; Nichole Mock-County Auditor; Renee Warren-County Treasurer; Cindy Brown-Tax Collector; Rick Walden-JP #2; Kimberly Morgan-Tax Appraiser; Ken Daughtry-Emergency Management; Crystal Marshall; Barry Sanders; Dale & Phylis Garner; Louis Stas; Taire Knight; Tyler Kincaid; Belinda Daniels, Carrie Gaines and Rhonda Scott-Sheriff Department; Timm Rogers and Debbie McLaughlin.

Court was called to Order by Judge McDowell who then offered the opening prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Timm Rogers spoke concerning road conditions, spending by Precincts and Precinct #1 specifically and budgets.

ACCEPTANCE OF FEE REPORTS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to accept the County Treasurers Claim Report covering the period of September 10, 2024 through September 19, 2024 and totaling \$118,045.73. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF COMPENSATORY TIME BALANCES

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by Phillip Gaines to approve the compensatory time balances for the period ending September 20, 2023 and totaling 2,213.73 hours. Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET AMENDMENTS

No action needed.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

No action needed.

BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

No action needed.

BURN BAN

No action taken.

JUDGES REPORT

Judge McDowell reported on the Sweetwater Creek event held North of Mobeetie; HVAC work in progress in the Court-house; concern of pigeons around Courthouse; PRPC emergency response meeting in Amarillo; Ken Daughtry retirement; future meeting with 9 entities in County for consideration of replacement of EMC.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

None

PCT #3-ADVERTISE FOR SEALED BIDS FOR USED EQUIPMENT APPROVED

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to advertise for sealed bids for the following equipment from Precinct #3. Bids to be opened in October 15, 2024.

1985 Clement Belly Dump Trailer sn: 1C9CB35B4FM110354

1993 Interational Truck sn: 2HSFBBGR1PC062733

2009 Kenworth Truck sn: 1XKDDUpX29J239154

FA# 21-17 John Deere 755C Track Loader

Motion carried unanimously.

PCT #4-JESSE RAMOS REMOVED FROM PAYROLL, effective September 30, 2024

John Walker made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to remove Jessee Ramos from the payroll effective September 30, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

JP #2-MELISSA NEVAREZ REMOVED FROM PAYROLL, effective September 30, 2024

At the request of Rick Walden, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Phillip Gaines to remove Melissa Nevarex from the payroll, effective September 30, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

CC-CONTRACT WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS AMENED TO INCLUDE PUBLIC TERMINALS-\$120.00 monthly

At the request of Margaret Dorman, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to approve the amendment to the contract from Local Government Solutions for computer software, backup and public terminal in the County Clerks office. The increase will be \$120.00 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER-APPROVAL OF COMPENSATORY TIME PAY OUT ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 PAYROLL

County Treasurer Renee Warren presented a listing of compensatory time balances by employee for consideration of pay out on September 30, 2024. After discussion, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Phillip Gaines to allow each Elected Official or department head make their own decision on whether to allow the pay out of require the employee to take time off according to the accumulated hours. Motion carried unanimously.

TREASURER-INCREASE IN MRP FSA CAFETERIA PLAN SPENDING CARD THRESHOLD FOR 2025 PLAN YEAR APPROVED

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to increase the MRP FSA cafeteria plan spending card threshold to \$3,200.00 for the 2025 plan year. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS COURT DATE CHANGED TO OCTOBER 15, 2024

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by Phillip Gaines to change the October 14, 2024 court date to October 15, 2024 due to the holiday. Motion carried unanimously.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE APPROVED FOR 2025

Phillip Gaines made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the 2025 Holiday Schedule. Motion carried unanimously.

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| January 1 | Wednesday | New Year's Day |
| January 20 | Monday | Martin Luther King Jr Day |
| February 17 | Monday | Presidents Day |
| April 18 | Friday | Good Friday |
| May 26 | Monday | Memorial Day |
| June 19 | Thursday | Emancipation Day |
| July 4 | Friday | Independence Day |
| September 1 | Monday | Labor Day |
| October 13 | Monday | Columbus Day |
| November 11 | Tuesday | Veterans Day |
| November 27,28 | Thursday & Friday | Thanksgiving |
| December 24-26 | Wednesday-Friday | Christmas |

PART-TIME EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR---BRITT MCCARTER, effective October 16, 2024

No action taken.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action needed.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Phillip Gaines made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 AM. Motion carried unanimously.

JUDGE PAT MCDOWELL

MARGARET DORMAN, COUNTY CLERK

APPROVED: _____