

December 9, 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. The following members were in attendance: Judge McDowell, Commissioners May Jr, Gaines, Simpson and Walker. Also attending were: Margaret Dorman-Clerk of the Court; Nichole Mock-County Auditor; Cindy Brown-Tax Collector; Kimberly Morgan-Chief Appraiser; Dan Sams and Marcos Castillo-City of Wheeler; Rhonda Scott and Carrie Gaines-Sheriff Department; Rick Walden-JP #2; Natalie Thomas-JP #1; Louis Stas-Wheeler Times and Terry Knight-County Star News.

Court was opened by Judge McDowell and then Jackie Don May Jr offered the opening prayer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were offered.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the minutes from the November 2024 meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to approve the November 2024 monthly fee reports and the County Treasurers Claim Report covering the period of November 26, 2024 through December 5, 2024 and totaling \$93,758.98. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL COMPENSATORY TIME BALANCES

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by John Walker to approve the compensatory time balances for all offices and departments, through December 7, 2024. 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 complemented the Committee in charge of the County Health Fair held recently. It was a success. He also reported the Xcel Energy will be installing several fire detection cameras in the county.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Nothing was reported

PCT #3-CLOSING OF A 2 MILE PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD 11-South from Co Rd S

Phillip Gaines made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to start the process of closing a 2 mile portion of County Road 11, South from Co Rd S. Motion carried unanimously. (Mark Trostle and David Roberts-Hamilton Ranch were in attendance during this agenda item discussion)

COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS-2025-2026, effective January 1, 2025

At the request of Ada Lester, Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by Phillip Gaines to appoint the following to the Wheeler County Historical Commission: Ada Lester, James Hubble, Rhonda Gallagher, Roger Pace, Ann Graham, Misty Copeland and Tonya Finsterwald for a two year term, beginning January 1, 2025.

SO-REBECCA CHADICK REMOVED FROM PAYROLL-Effective November 25, 2024

At the request of Sheriff Carter, David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to remove Rebecca Chadick from the payroll, effective November 25, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

AUDITOR-APPROVAL OF PRETRIAL DIVERSION AUDIT & HOT CHECK FUND AUDIT

John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the audits for the FY 2024 PreTrial Diversion Program and the FY 2024 Hot Check Account. Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL WRITE-OFF-HEALTH/DENTAL COVERAGES-2002 through 2014-\$5,133.00

Jackie Don May Jr made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the amount of \$5,133.00 for Health/Dental financial write off for the period of 2002 through 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

BIDS APPROVED AND AWARDED FOR CONTRACT #RB 2025 2-ROAD MATERIALS

Bids were received from Four Wheeler Farm, Marla Lax, David Seitz and McDowell Ranch for road materials through Contract #RB_2025_2.

1. Four Wheeler Farm-County Special Rock-\$98.00 per load
 2. Marla Lax-Dirt-\$45.00 per load
 3. David Seitz-Caliche-\$25.00 per load
 4. McDowell Ranch-Rock/Dirt-\$110.00 per load
- Washed/screen gravel-\$150.00 per load

Phillip Gaines made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to accept all 4 bids. Voting FOR-Jackie Don May Jr, Phillip Gaines, David Simpson and John Walker. Judge McDowell abstained. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL WRITE-OFF-COBRA HEALTH COVERAGE FOR RETIREES-\$2,102.64

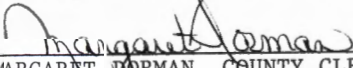
John Walker made a motion which was seconded by David Simpson to approve the amount of \$2,102.64 for Retiree Cobra Health Coverage to be written off. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

David Simpson made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to approve the bills for payment and pay accordingly. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Phillip Gaines made a motion which was seconded by Jackie Don May Jr to adjourn the meeting.


 MARGARET DORMAN, COUNTY CLERK
 APPROVED: 1/13/2025

PAT MCDOWELL, COUNTY JUDGE