

MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court **REGULAR Session**

Monday, January 8, 2024 9:00 a.m.

1. Call meeting to order

Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County was called to order by Judge Redwine at 9:00 a.m., in Commissioners' Courtroom, 2nd Floor, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.

County Judge

Mike Redwine

Present

Precinct 1, Commissioner Dennis Jones

Present

Precinct 2, Commissioner Jeremy Strain

Present Present

Precinct 3, Commissioner Jesse Muñoz Precinct 4, Commissioner Ricky Bailey

Present

2. Invocation was led by Commissioner Strain

Pledge was led by Judge Redwine

3. Public Comment

George Tyson, citizen

VOTE:

NO ACTION

4. Approve bills, line items transfers, and budget amendments - Auditor's Office

Approved bills in the total amount of \$ 374,753.43

MOTION:

Made by Commissioner Strain to approve bills as presented.

SECOND:

Made by Commissioner Munoz

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

VOTE:

All in favor. Motion passed.

MOTION:

Made by Commissioner Strain to approve 2023 line item transfers as presented.

SECOND:

Made by Commissioner Jones

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

VOTE:

All in favor. Motion passed.

5. Review and possible approval of deeds – Tax Office

Teresa Hughes, Tax Assessor-Collector presented two bids for properties - W 3rd St and 312 Cedar St. After further discussion, W 3rd table until clarification on location and owner.

MOTION:

Made by Commissioner Strain to approve bid for 312 Cedar property as

presented.

SECOND:

Made by Commissioner Munoz

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, informational page only

(Tax deeds will be filed OPR once fully executed and paid by property owner.) VOTE:

All in favor. Motion passed.

6. Discussion and possible action on rezone request from Tax Office - Judge Redwine

Teresa Hughes, Tax Assessor-Collector provided a map of Colorado City requesting rezoning including lot discussed in agenda item 5 - bid on W 3rd Street. After discussion, it was determined the county doesn't rezone for the city and should not be involved in this decision.

VOTE:

No action

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7. Receive Mitchell County Public Library's annual report - Lori Stephens

Lori Stephens, librarian presented and discussed 2023 annual report.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve 2023 library annual report as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

8. Approve monthly reports - County Judge

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Munoz to approve monthly reports as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

 JP 1&4
 \$ 12,162.20
 District Clerk
 \$ 10,898.96

 JP 2&3
 \$ 8,432.88
 County Clerk Civil
 \$ 8,574.16

 Library
 \$ 297.10
 County Clerk Criminal
 \$ 3,819.00

Other reports: Auditor, Sheriff, and Treasurer – no fees.

9. Approve monthly minutes - County Clerk's Office

Approve minutes from Commissioners' Court Regular/Called meetings for December, 2023.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve minutes as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

10. The Commissioners Court may recess into executive session to discuss any matters on the agenda pursuant to a legal exception to the Open Meetings Act contained in the Texas Government Code or other Texas law, including without limitation (a) consultation with attorney or personnel matters pursuant to 551.071 and/or 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

No executive session.

11. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Bailey to adjourn.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Munoz VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

I, Carla Kern, County Clerk of Mitchell County, Texas, do hereby certify that these Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024.

Carla Kern, County Clerk



MINUTES for Mitchell County Commissioners' Court REGULAR Session Monday, January 22, 2024 9:00 a.m.

1. Call meeting to order

Commissioners' Court of Mitchell County was called to order by Judge Redwine at 9:00 a.m., in District Courtroom, 3rd Floor, 349 Oak Street, Colorado City, Texas.

County Judge Mike Redwine Present
Precinct 1, Commissioner Dennis Jones Present
Precinct 2, Commissioner Jeremy Strain Present
Precinct 3, Commissioner Jesse Muñoz Present
Precinct 4, Commissioner Ricky Bailey Present

2. Invocation was led by Commissioner Strain.

Pledge was led by Judge Redwine.

3. Public Comment

Samantha Morrow – supporting agenda item #4 Recognition of Westbrook high school football team and announced running for district attorney

VOTE: NO ACTION

4. Recognition of Westbrook High School's State Championship Football Game – Judge Redwine Judge Redwine and commissioners congratulated the Westbrook High School football team and presented proclamation to each member of football team and coaching staff.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve proclamation as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, a copy of proclamation follows the minutes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

5. Approve bills – Auditor's Office

Approved bills in the total amount of \$ 98,968.74

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve bills as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

Approve line items transfers and budget amendments - Auditor's Office

VOTE: No action

6. Consider and take action on two Pipeline Public Road Crossing applications – Dustin Riley Dustin Riley, representing Bayswater, discussed two applications before the court for road borings on CR 280 near Iatan.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Munoz to approve the two pipeline public road crossing permits as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, original applications follow the minutes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

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7. Notice of General Joint Primary Elections Tuesday, March 5, 2024 - County Clerk

Carla Kern, County Clerk, presented notice of general joint primary election and order for joint primary approved November 2023. Reminder, this will be the first of three elections this year required by 88th legislature session to have extended early voting hours including weekends.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Jones to approve notice of joint primary election.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Munoz

ATTACHMENTS: Yes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

8. Receive 2023 Racial Profiling Report - District Attorney's Office

Joe Tauer, District Attorney's investigator, discussed the 2023 racial profiling report.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to accept the 2023 racial profiling report as

presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Munoz

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, a copy follows the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

9. Discuss and approval on appointment of Timothy Warren as Appraisal District board member – Judge Redwine

Judge Redwine contacted Timothy Warren on court's behalf and he agreed to continue representing the county on the Mitchell County Appraisal District Board.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to approve Timothy Warren representing county on appraisal district board.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones

ATTACHMENTS: No

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

10. Discuss and possible action on renewing donated office space to Abilene Recovery Council – Judge Redwine

Judge Redwine discussed renewing an agreement for office space in the courthouse annex building next to adult probation, at no cost, to Abilene Recovery Council effective January 22, 2024 – January 21, 2025.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Munoz to approve renewal for office space use by the Abilene Recovery Council as presented.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, a copy of renewal follows the minutes

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

11. Discuss and possible action on 312 Abatement Application for Mitchell Solar I, allowing the County Judge to enter into negotiations of the terms for potential 312 agreements – Zeus/Merit Advisors

Discussion for agenda items 11-13: Brian Drinkwine with Zeus Red and Daron Fredrickson with Merit Advisors explained this was step 2 in the process of finding a partnership and constructing battery storage. Expected timeframe: construction during 4th quarter of 2024, operation in 2025.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to authorize negotiation and discussion regarding tax abatement with county judge and commissioners' court.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Bailey

ATTACHMENTS: No

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed

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12. Discuss and possible action on 312 Abatement Application for Mitchell Solar II, allowing the County Judge to enter into negotiations of the terms for potential 312 agreements – Zeus/Merit Advisors

Combine with agenda item 11

13. Discuss and possible action on 312 Abatement Application for Mitchell Solar III, allowing the County Judge to enter into negotiations of the terms for potential 312 agreements – Zeus/Merit Advisors

Combine with agenda item 11

14. Discussion and possible actin regarding water leak at the Sports Complex – Commissioner Jones Informational: Commissioner Jones – leak under slab of concession stand. Suggesting rental of jackhammer and county workers repair, instead of hiring plumber which cost over \$10k last time there was an issue.

VOTE: No action

15. #17 Receive Senate Bill 22 budget - Sheriff's Office

Informational: Sheriff Toombs wanted one clarification regarding the purchase of 2nd vehicle with SB22 in 2024. This is acceptable within the funds remaining – estimated \$159,000.

ATTACHMENTS: No VOTE: No action

16. #15 Approve interlocal agreement with CISD for School Resource Officer – Sheriff's Office Sheriff Toombs and Sterling Burleson, County Attorney provided interlocal agreement for review with CISD for school resource officer with one revision in paragraph 2.1 regarding 14 days termination clause. Alicia Hernandez was also introduced as the SRO.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Munoz SECOND: Made by Commissioner Strain

ATTACHMENTS: Yes, a copy of interlocal agreement follows the minutes.

VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

- 17. #16 The Commissioners Court may recess into executive session to discuss any matters on the agenda pursuant to a legal exception to the Open Meetings Act contained in the Texas Government Code or other Texas law, including without limitation (a) consultation with attorney or personnel matters pursuant to 551.071 and/or 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.
 - a. Personnel matters Sheriff's Office

Enter Executive Session: 10:15 a.m. Resumed Regular Meeting: 11:18 a.m. No action was taken during executive session.

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18. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m..

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Strain to adjourn.

SECOND: Made by Commissioner Jones VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

I, Carla Kern, County Clerk of Mitchell County, Texas, do hereby certify that these Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024.

