MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER COURT, MOORE COUNTY, TEXAS REGULAR SESSION, MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022

STATE OF TEXAS {} COUNTY OF MOORE {}

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT ON THIS 11TH DAY OF APRIL, 2022 there came to be held a Regular Session of Commissioners Court of Moore County, Texas in the Commissioners Courtroom in the Courthouse in Dumas, Texas. The following persons were present to-wit: Rowdy Rhoades, County Judge; Daniel Garcia, Commissioner Precinct 1; Miles Mixon, Commissioner Precinct 2; Dee Vaughan, Commissioner Precinct 3 and County Clerk, Brenda McKanna.

Court having been opened according to law the following proceedings were had to wit:

Commissioner Cartrite was absent from the meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 28, 2022. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia that the bills as presented by James Allen, County Auditor, be approved for payment and the County Treasurer is hereby directed to issue warrant-checks thereof. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried

There were three bills presented for special handling for approval: Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve the payment to Warren Cat in the amount of \$26,374.02 for the rental of the reclaimers with expenditure to be paid from American Rescue Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the payment to Texas Restaurant Equipment in the amount of \$1,102.38 with expenditure to be paid from the SCAAP Grant. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the payment to Castillo Ventures for the road project in the amount of \$54,362.19 with expenditure to be paid from the American Rescue Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the Temporary Cash Investments dated April 11, 2022 as presented by James Allen, County Auditor, and the County Treasurer's Report of Cash Disbursements of the same date and duly recorded in the Commissioners Court Minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia, . Motion carried. Copies of the Report and Temporary Cash Investments are attached and made a part hereof by references.

Josh Butler, Representative of Butler Benefits presented an analysis of renewal rates for 2022-2023. He stated there is no action required if the county wishes to continue with the current contract which will expire September 30, 2022. Josh stated the county does not have to do RFPs on a yearly basis because of Sec. 262.037 TLGC. He stated this provision allows the county to select a sole broker of record aka Moore County Healthcare Consultant. Kara stated she has had 55 changes in the past year with new hires, etc and Kara can refer the employees to Josh or Kim to get the help they need. She stated when the county was with TAC, she felt like the county was just a number and did not get the service needed for the employees. Josh stated he does not receive funds from the insurance company all he receives is what his contract fee is with the county.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to table any action until a meeting when all of the commissioners are present. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copies of renewal information attached and made a part hereof by references. Copy of Consulting Agreement attached and made a part hereof by references

Tommy Brooks presented some information in regards to the county losing the EMPG Grant. He stated they will be keeping the funds and hiring a liaison that would responsible for the 69th Judicial District. Tommy stated it won't change his responsibilities he just won't be receiving \$16,000.00 from EMPG Grant for the Emergency Management Office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to accept the bid from Handsome Mud for concrete work on Courthouse sidewalks in the amount of \$65,210.00 not to include the stamping. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried. Copy of bid attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve the purchase of 14 basic county email accounts for Corrections Officers at \$70.00 per month to be paid out of County Technology Budget. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the employment of Debbie Finnell as Corrections Officer effective April 6, 2022 with a starting salary of \$22.92 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year with a clothing allowance of \$100.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the employment of Michael Pena as a Corrections Officer with start date to be determined subject to paperwork being completed with a starting salary of \$22.92 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year and a clothing allowance of \$100.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve the employment of Cassandra Villarreal as a Patrol Deputy effective April 11, 2022 with a starting salary of \$27.17 per hour with a .50 increase every six months for one year and a clothing allowance of \$100.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve the purchase of a Konica Minolta copier/printer/scanner/fax machine for the Sheriff's Dept. with a 60-month lease at a cost of \$284.36 per month service fee with expenditure to be paid from Building Maintenance Budget. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried.

Brandon Jones, presented the Moore County Sheriff's Dept. annual activity report. Copy of report attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vaughan to approve a payment to West Texas Air Conditioning & Heating in the amount of \$133,520.40 for new AC units with expenditure to be paid from American Rescue Plan Funds. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to approve the purchase of a laptop from Elite Technologies in the amount of \$2,798.97 with expenditure to be paid from County Clerk Technology Fund. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to approve April 2022 as Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Mixon. Motion carried. Copy of Proclamation attached and made a part hereof by references.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to increase the purchase amount required for court approval up to \$1,000.00 for a budgeted item. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried.

David Bownds was present in regards to the roads within the Whiskey River Subdivision. He was asking the court to allow him to use a volcanic stone base for the roads instead of a caliche base. The court doesn't feel like they can make a waiver and make a policy change for the use of the volcanic stone as a base material in lieu of using a caliche base material.

There were three bids received for sealcoat rock. Bids received were from Volcanic Stone in the amount of \$153,780.00; Big Creek Sand & Gravel in the amount of \$188,000.00 for river rock; J Lee Milligan Inc in the amount of \$200,000.00 for river rock.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garcia to accept the bid from Big Creek Sand & Gravel in the amount of \$188,000.00 for river rock with rock to be delivered to two different locations. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Vaughan. Motion carried. Copy of bids attached and made a part hereof by references.

Dallas Green, Road & Bridge Supervisor gave a repot of the department. He stated there is approximately \$349,000.00 to be reallocated from the Road Grant Fund for Road G and Road 8. Jay West will be getting a new loader which is a budgeted item. Dallas asked if there is a way to lock in the price of AC10 with Valero. Commissioner Mixon has made some calls to see if that is a possibility.

It appears there is no other business to come before the court. Motion was made by Commissioner Mixon to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Garcia. Motion carried.

THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES HAVING BEEN READ AND APPROVED, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THEY BE AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

Commissioner Precinct 1, J. Daniel Garcia

Commissioner Precinct 2, Miles Mixon

Commissioner Precinct 3, Dee Vaughan

Brenda McKanna, County Clerk

Commissioner Precinct 4, Lynn Cartrite

County Judge, Rowdy Rhoades

"ABSENT"