

## ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

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**NOTICE OF MEETING  
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 2:00 P.M.**, in the **Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), 101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas** at which time the following will be discussed and considered, to-wit:

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION RELATED TO COVID-19 IN CONNECTION TO  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETINGS:**

Please be aware that the current order from the Office of Governor Greg Abbott limits groups of individuals to less than ten (10). Therefore, satellite viewing rooms will be made available for members of the public to view and participate in the meeting. **The satellite viewing room will be limited to no more than ten (10) individuals at one time. Visitors will be asked to keep at least six (6) feet apart from other members of the public and Ellis County staff.** Members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting may complete a participation form that will be submitted to the County Clerk.

Alternatively, an electronic participation form can be submitted through the link below:

<https://www.co.ellis.tx.us/FormCenter/Commissioners-Court-Participation-Form-2/Commissioners-Court-Participation-Form-36>

**Satellite viewing location:**

**Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Courtroom (1<sup>st</sup> floor), 101 W. Main St., Waxahachie, Texas 75165**

## OPENING COURT

County Judge will call meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Texas Open Meetings Act §551

Motion to open meeting

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Lane Grayson, Commissioner, Precinct 2

**PUBLIC COMMENT\*- Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.**

## COMMENDATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS:

- AA Recognition of those who have gone above and beyond in the response to COVID-19. – *Todd Little, County Judge*

## CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:

### Administrative:

- A1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll, and Officers' Reports.
- A2 Approval of Commissioners' Court Special Meeting Minutes from April 3, 2020 and Regular Meeting Minutes from April 7, 2020. – *Krystal Valdez, County Clerk*
- A3 Approval of Interlocal work between Ellis County Road & Bridge Precinct 1 and the City of Palmer. Reference Interlocal Minute Order 528.19. Interlocal work includes reclaim and resurface of Frances Street, in the amount of \$18,421.20. – *Randy Stinson, Commissioner, Road & Bridge Precinct 1*
- A4 Approval of Interlocal work between Ellis County Road & Bridge Precinct 1 and the City of Pecan Hill. Reference Interlocal Minute Order 495.19(a3). Interlocal work includes reclaim and resurface of road at 1059 S. Lowrance to Bridge, approx. 825 linear ft. x 20 ft. width, in the amount of \$14,850.00. – *Randy Stinson, Commissioner, Road & Bridge Precinct 1*
- A5 Approval of Interlocal work between Ellis County Road & Bridge Precinct 1 and the City of Pecan Hill. Reference Interlocal Minute Order 495.19(a3). Interlocal work includes grade ditches on S. Lowrance, including removal of brushes and trees, cost in the amount of \$9,948.00. – *Randy Stinson, Commissioner, Road & Bridge Precinct 1*
- A6 Acceptance of 1st Quarter 2020 Ellis County Investment Report. – *Cheryl Chambers, Treasurer*

**\*Public Comment – This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must present a completed public participation form to the County Clerk at least 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.**

- A7 Acceptance of monthly reports for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension agents. – *Mark Arnold, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension*
- A8 Approval of Resolution for SWAT Equipment Enhancement Grant. – *Alex Zurfas, Sheriff's Office*

**Financial:**

- F1 Acceptance of the monthly report for Fire Marshal, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.044. – *Tim Birdwell, Fire Marshal*
- F2 Acceptance of the monthly report for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.044. – *Chris Macon, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1*
- F3 Acceptance of the monthly report for Department of Development, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.044. – *Alberto Mares, Department of Development*
- F4 Acceptance of the monthly report for Audit, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.044. – *Janet Martin, Audit*
- F5 Acceptance of a tabulated report of the county's receipts and disbursements of funds from March 31, 2020 – April 14, 2020, pursuant to Local Government Code §114.024. – *Janet Martin, Audit*
- F6 **FY2019-20 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0140-508680 Contract Services by \$3,492.00; INCREASE 001-0140-508870 Radio Tower by \$3,492.00. – *Todd Little, County Judge*
- F7 **FY2019-20 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0010-509010 K9 Supplies by \$1,555.03; INCREASE 001-0010-509040 Animal Control by \$1,555.03. – *Chuck Edge, Sheriff*
- F8 **FY2019-20 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0050-508020 Equipment by \$25.79; DECREASE 001-0050-508030 Furn/Fix by \$745.00; INCREASE 001-0050-508190 Computers by \$770.79. – *Mark Arnold, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension*
- F9 **FY2019-20 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0015-508880 Computer Services by \$506.04; INCREASE 001-0015-508120 Radios by \$506.04. – *Chuck Edge, Sheriff*
- F10 **FY2019-20 Line Item Adjustment:** DECREASE 001-0060-508080 Auto Gas by \$1,500.00; INCREASE 001-0060-506010 Travel Reimbursement by \$750.00; INCREASE 001-0060-508060 Dues by \$750.00. – *Alberto Mares, Department of Development*

**REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, consideration, and action:**

**DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT**

- 1.1 Consideration and action on a replat of Dearen Estates Phase 3 - Lots 31A & 31B, a replat of Lot 31, subdividing the property into two (2) lots for residential use. The property contains a total of ± 23.037 acres of land, in the R. De La Pena Survey, Abstract No. 3, located on the north side of Gentry Road, ± 2,267 feet west of the intersection of FM 1182 and Gentry Road, Ellis County Road and Bridge Precinct No. 2.

**PURCHASING**

- 2.1 Consideration and action for the County Judge to execute lease agreements with American National Leasing for three (3) 2020 Chevrolet Tahoe Police Pursuit Vehicles. Equipment from Cap Fleet on all vehicles listed. These will be under a three (3) year lease.
- 2.2 Consideration and action to approve award of Bid Number RFB 2020-008: Contract for to purchase two (2) Used Mack Chu613 Day Cab Trucks to Penske Used Trucks in the amounts of \$44,794.00 and \$45,044.00, respectively.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

- 3.1 Consideration and action to arrange for payment to Local Health Authority Dr. Leigh Nordstrom in an amount not to exceed \$7,200.00 for work done in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.  
– *Todd Little, County Judge*
- 3.2 Consideration and action to authorize the change of one part-time maintenance position to full-time. Funding for this position will come from the Non-Departmental Fund 001-0140-505600 Compens/Fringe Liability/Staffing. – *Theresa Taylor, Human Resources*
- 3.3 Consideration and action to authorize the approval of a resolution and submittal of a no fund matching Federal grant application by the Ellis County Sheriff's Office for a Gulf States Law Enforcement Technology Initiative Grant Project. – *Connie Pena, Constable Precinct 3*
- 3.4 Presentation of FY2019-20 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and Budget Review; FY2020-21 Budget introduction. – *Janet Martin, Audit*
- 3.5 Consideration and approval to designate County Auditor Janet Martin to calculate the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate and Voter-Approval Tax Rate for Ellis County, pursuant to §26.04 of the Property Tax Code. – *Todd Little, County Judge*
- 3.6 To consider a finding, pursuant to §551.072 of the Government Code, that deliberations regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person. – *Todd Little, County Judge*

**RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commissioners Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into **Executive Session** at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code 551, or to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551 or as otherwise may be permitted under 551.

- 4.1 Pursuant to §551.072 of the Government Code, to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third person.

**ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

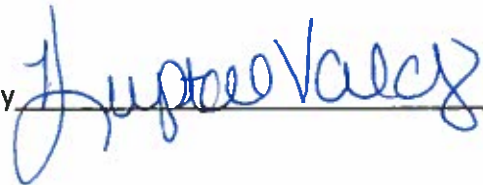
Signed this the 17 day of April, 2020.

  
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Todd Little  
Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 17 day of April, 2020 at 11:54 a.m./p.m.



Krystal Valdez, County Clerk

By  Deputy  
County Clerk

- The Commissioners Court reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.
- If you or your representative, have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please contact the County Judge's Office at (972) 825-5011 within 72 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.