



Minutes for the Item #3

Madison County Commissioners Court
Monday, March 9, 2020

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MADISON

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT
OF MADISON COUNTY TEXAS

The Madison County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session the 9th day of March 2020, 9:30 a.m., in the Courtroom of the Madison County Courthouse Annex, 103 West Trinity Street, Suite 106, Madisonville, Texas with the following members:

Tony Leago	County Judge	Present
Ricky Driskell	Commissioner, Precinct 1	Present
Carl Wiseman	Commissioner, Precinct 2	Present
Carl Cannon	Commissioner, Precinct 3	Present
David Pohorelsky	Commissioner, Precinct 4	Present

ITEM 1. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAGS

The invocation and pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags were led by Judge Leago.

ITEM 2. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order with a quorum present.

COUNTY CLERK – SUSANNE MORRIS

ITEM 3. Review and/or correct minutes of Regular Meeting held February 24, 2020 as attached.

Judge Leago asked for any comments or corrections to Regular Meeting minutes, there were none they stand as presented.

ITEM 4. COLLECTION REPORTS

- a) Approve Collection Reports for County Clerk and County Criminal Court.
- Susanne Morris, County Clerk reported February 2020 County Clerk collections, \$16,636.25 and County Court Collections, \$3,099.46. See attached.
- Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve Clerk and Court’s collection reports; Commissioner Driskell gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

- b) Approve Collection Reports for District Attorney
No reports were submitted.
- c) Approve Collection Reports for District Clerk
No reports were submitted.

TREASURER – JUDI DELESANDRI

ITEM 5. Approve paying County bills.

Accounts Payable Claims List for March 9, 2020 was submitted by Judi Delesandri, County Treasurer.
See A/P Claims List attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve payment of county bills; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in agreement, motion carried.

ITEM 6. Approve bills paid since last court date February 24, 2020. See attached.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve bills paid since last court date, February 24, 2020; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

No one opposed, motion carried.

ITEM 7. Approve Treasurer’s Report.

Judi Delesandri, Treasurer gave a monthly report for February 2020, a Combined Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements. See attached.

Commissioner Cannon moved to approve Treasurer’s Report; Commissioner Driskell gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 8. Approve personnel changes.

Judi Delesandri, County Treasurer reported three payroll changes. Emily Reynolds was hired as Clerk in DA's office in an open position February 24, 2020 at a rate of pay, \$14.00 hourly. Cynthia Roholt is re-hired and will return to work as Assistant DA effective March 30, 2020, in an open position at a rate of pay, \$62,000 yearly. Whitney Ivey, Sheriff's Department was moved from Jail to Dispatcher, a lateral transfer on March 7, 2020 and rate of pay will remain \$13.20. See attached.

Commissioner Cannon moved to approve personnel changes; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in agreement, motion carried.

AUDITOR – TONI JOYNER

ITEM 9. Auditor' Report

A Budget Analysis Usage report for March 9, 2020 was provided by auditor's office.

A copy is included in these minutes for review.

ITEM 10. Budget Amendments

No Budget Amendments to report.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ITEM 11. Safety Meeting Monthly Report - Lynn Jeffries

Judge Leago gave a report for Jeffries who was attending a three-day seminar. Two food and health applications were issued in February, a total of \$450 and four septic system applications issued, a total of \$920. The February monthly safety meeting was held, and he spoke on tips for employees concerning the coronavirus.

ITEM 12. Tax Assessor/Collector Monthly Report – Karen Lane, Tax A/C

Judge Leago gave a report for Lane who is in training this week. A copy of her report for February 2020 is recorded in these minutes for review.

ITEM 13. Emergency Management Report – Shelly Butts

An extensive report was submitted by Shelly Butts, Emergency Management Coordinator detailing December 2018 – November 2019 developments. See Emergency Management Report included in these minutes.

ITEM 14. County Extension Agent Monthly Report – Chadd Caperton

No report was submitted.

ITEM 15. Veterans Affairs – Danny Singletary

No report was submitted.

ITEM 16. Elections Administrator-Janet Boone

No report was submitted.

ITEM 17. **Public Comment – Hear Comments in reference to the following Agenda Items Only – time limit 3 minutes, one person at a time will be called from the Public Participation Forms submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium.**

No Public Participation Forms were submitted to Clerk of Court.

Comment: Judge Tony Leago recognized and commended Commissioner Driskell, Commissioner Cannon, Commissioner Wiseman and Commissioner Pohorelsky for attending the County Judges & Commissioners Association of Texas continuing education class held in College Station, Texas, recently. Each received a Certificate of Completion for 2019. See attached.

ITEM 18. Discuss and consider approving the use of Hotel/Motel Occupancy (HOT) Funds of \$5,000 for entertainment for the City of Madisonville's 5th Annual 4th of July Celebration. See Application attached. Commissioner Driskell moved to approve \$5,000 HOT funds to City of Madisonville for its 5th Annual 4th of July Celebration; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

Unanimous vote, motion carried.

ITEM 19. Discuss and consider approving the use of Hotel/Motel Occupancy (HOT) Funds of \$3,000 for promotion of the 2020 Tour Madisonville Bicycle Ride. See Application attached.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve \$3,000 HOT funds for 2020 Tour Madisonville Bicycle Ride; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second to the motion; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 20. Discuss and consider approving the use of Hotel/Motel Occupancy (HOT) Funds for \$1,000 for advertising and promotion of the Hoop Dreams Basketball Tournament. See Application attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky moved to approve \$1,000 HOT funds for Hoop Dreams Basketball Tournament; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Leago call for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 21. Discuss and consider 2nd Revised Order for FY2020 Term for Madison County Commissioners' Court. See Order attached.

Judge Leago explained new Senate Bill SB2 requires commissioners' courts to have a certain portion of its budget completed and items adopted at a regular scheduled meeting of the court. The law says you cannot have an amended (Special) court date at the last minute. Monday, August 17, 2020 has been set for the 2nd Revised Order for FY 2020 Term for Madison County Commissioners' Court, he said.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve 2nd Revised Order for FY 2020; Commissioner Driskell gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 22. Discuss and consider approving Homeland Security Advisory Committee Appointments April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021.

Shelly Butts, Emergency Management Coordinator named committee members currently serving on the Homeland Security Advisory Committee Chief Herbert Gilbert, Madisonville Police Department; Sergeant Tyler Ogle, Madison County Sheriff's Department; Shelly Butts, Madison County Emergency Management Coordinator; Captain Larry Shiver, Madison County Sheriff's Department and K. J. Armstrong, BSN,RN,CEN Public Health Nurse DSHS Region 7., Homeland Security replacing Phyllis Taylor, RN.

Commissioner Driskell moved to approve appointees for Homeland Security Advisory Committee to serve April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 23. Discuss and consider accepting the FY2020 Texas Indigent Defense Commission Grant in the amount of \$25,977, which is an increase from the FY2019 of \$16,393. See attached. Commissioner Driskell made a motion to accept FY 2020 Texas Indigent Defense Commission Grant in the amount of \$25,977; Commissioner Cannon gave a second; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All approved, motion carried.

ITEM 24. Discuss and consider approving final minor plat recorded in Volume 1189 Page 225 of the Madison County Records, located in the Eduardo Arriola Survey Tract 24, Abstract 0004. Directions to property: Off of Highway 90 to Stone Lane, to Arbor Lane, known as 911 address 4735 Arbor Lane, Madisonville, Texas 77864. See attached.

Shelly Butts, 911 Coordinator explained this application is Mike Baker’s property off Highway 90, 30.99 acres surveyed out of a 36-acre tract located at the end of Arbor Lane. This plat application does not meet county’s exception requirements, Baker is requesting court’s approval for an easement into property.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve final minor plat for property located 4735 Arbor Lane; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Leago called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

All in favor, motion carried.

ITEM 25. Discuss and consider approving application for an OOG Grant for Trailer Mounted Automated License Plate Reader for Madison County.

ITEM 26. Discuss and consider approving application for OOG Grant for Public Safety Enhancement for Madison County.

Judge Leago said that Agenda Item 25 and 26 can be discussed simultaneously and called on Deputy Ashley Kishino, Madison County Sheriff’s Department to explain this application for an OOG Grant for Trailer Mounted Automated License Plate Reader and application for an OOG Grant for Public Safety Enhancement for Madison County. Deputy Kishino said the Sheriff’s Department plans to apply for a \$66,900 Office of the Governor grant to upgrade our county’s law enforcement equipment. Included in this grant is bullet-proof shields, spike strips, and a thermal imaging system. Deputy Kishino referenced a recent shooting incident February 11, 2020 on FM 1472 saying all three of those equipment items could have been used. The equipment items, spike strips, shields and thermal imaging are part of a \$11,900 OOG grant request. The remaining \$55,000 will be part of a second OOG grant application for a trailer-based license plate reader for the county. He explained the reader would allow Sheriff’s Department to monitor Amber Alerts and would be used in partnership with Brazos and Leon counties who are requesting funds. There is no cost to Madison County. Deputy Kishino stated, “just to be clear,

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve application to Office of the Governor for Trailer Mounted Automated License Place Reader and application to OOG for Public Safety Enhancement for Madison County; Commissioner Pohorelsky seconded the motion; and Judge Leago called for a vote.
VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

Unanimous vote, motion carried.

ITEM 27. Public Comment- No Discussion or Action will be taken at this time by the Court – A three (3) minute limit per speaker. One person at a time will be called from the Public Participation submitted. Move to the front of the Court and stand at the podium. Please address your comments to your Commissioner.

No Public Participation Forms were submitted to Clerk of Court.

ITEM 28. Adjourn

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge called for a vote.

VOTING:

Court	Aye	Nay	ABSTAIN	RECUSE
Tony Leago, County Judge	X			
Ricky Driskell, Commissioner Pct. 1	X			
Carl Wiseman, Commissioner Pct. 2	X			
Carl Cannon, Commissioner Pct. 3	X			
David Pohorelsky, Commissioner Pct. 4	X			

No one opposed, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned Monday, March 9, 2020 at 10:16 a.m.

I, Susanne Morris, Madison County Clerk, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court’s authorized proceedings for March 9, 2020.

Approved and signed this 23rd day of March 2020.



Susanne Morris, County Clerk
 Clerk of Commissioners Court
 Madison County, Texas

