



Minutes for the
Madison County Commissioners Court
Monday, December 9, 2019

Item #3

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 December 2019, 9:31 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	Precinct 1, Commissioner	Present
Carl Wiseman	Precinct 2, Commissioner	Present
Carl Cannon	Precinct 3, Commissioner	Present
David Pohorelsky	Precinct 4, Commissioner	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 November 25, 2019.

Judge Leago asked for any comments or corrections to Regular Meeting minutes, November 25, 2019, 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 November 2019 County Clerk collections, \$14,079.50; and County Court collections, \$3,093.38. See attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve reports; Commissioner Driskell 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.

- b) Approve Collection Reports for District Attorney
No report was submitted.
- c) Approve Collection Reports for District Clerk
No report was submitted.

TREASURER – JUDI DELESANDRI

ITEM 5. Approve paying County bills.

Accounts Payable Claims List for December 9, 2019 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 November 25, 2019. See report attached.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve bills paid since last court date, November 25, 2019; Commissioner Cannon 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, submitted a Treasurer’s Monthly Report for November 2019 as recorded in these minutes.

Commissioner Driskell moved to accept Treasurer’s Report; Commissioner Cannon 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			

Unanimous vote, motion carried.

ITEM 8. Approve personnel changes.

Madison County Treasurer, Judi Delesandri reported two payroll changes. Christina Brady was hired December 2, 2019, Treasurer's Department as a Deputy Treasurer, \$18.00 hourly while training with Mike Bishop, Chief Deputy Treasurer. Brady will replace Bishop February 1, 2020 as Chief Deputy Clerk, \$20.00 hourly. The rates of pay were approved by commissioners' court November 12, 2019 and payment from contingency fund. Ronal Quick, Precinct 2 Road Hand and Heavy Equipment Operator rate of pay changed from \$15.89 to \$16.17 effective December 2, 2019. See attached. The pay increase was approved by Commissioners' Court, November 25, 2019 for Fiscal Year 2020 Compensation Scale.

AUDITOR – TONI JOYNER

ITEM 9. Auditor' Report

A Budget Analysis Usage report for December 9, 2019 was provided by auditor's office.

A copy is included in these minutes for review.

ITEM 10. Budget Amendments

No budget amendments.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ITEM 11. Safety Meeting Monthly Report - Lynn Jeffries

No report was submitted.

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

Karen Lane, TAC, submitted a monthly report for November 2019, as recorded in these minutes reporting current taxes collected, delinquent taxes collected, fees such as solid waste and tax certificates, registration and title system report, and Texas Parks & Wildlife reports.

ITEM 13. Emergency Management Report – Shelly Butts

No report was submitted.

ITEM 14. County Extension Agent Monthly Report – Chadd Caperton

Chadd Caperton gave three Ag Extension event invitations to commissioners. The first is December 18, 2019, a special Commissioners' Court Interpretation Brunch; January 6, 2020, 67th Annual Madison County 4-H Awards Banquet; and January 17, 2020, five-hour CEU course for Pesticide Applicator Recertification. See invitations attached.

ITEM 15. Veterans Affairs – Danny Singletary

Danny Singletary, Veterans Officer reported assisting two veterans to Temple, Texas and two vets to Bryan-College Station, Texas for health care services

ITEM 16. Elections Administrator-Janet Boone

Janet Boone, Elections Administrator said today, 6:00 p.m., is the last day a candidate seeking an office may sign up for the Primary Election, March 3, 2020. Party Chairmen will be at Annex Building, County Courtroom, Room 106. Voter cards have been mailed to all registered voters, she said.

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.

Comment:

Karen Lane, Tax Assessor-Collector, and Deputy Clerks Veronica Hunt, Tamara Moore, and Rosy Martinez completed Title Fraud Training November 7, 2019 receiving a Certificate of Completion as recorded in these minutes.

One Public Participation form, attached, was submitted by Cassandra Benton who addressed the work hours at the Sheriff's Department and family medical leave. See attached.

Non action.

ITEM 18. Discuss and consider for approval Hazard Mitigation Grants Interlocal Agreements. See attached.

Shelly Butts, Emergency Management Coordinator explained Intergovernmental Agreements with City of Madisonville, North Zulch Municipal Utility District, and City of Midway for a countywide Hazard Mitigation Action Plan through FEMA grant funds. She will be meeting with each entity to request approval of this agreement. Maximum amount to be paid by City of Madisonville is \$6,500; City of Midway, \$1,500; and North Zulch MUD, \$1,000.

Commissioner Driskell moved for approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; 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			

Unanimous vote, motion carried.

ITEM 19. Discuss and consider for approval Reverse Notification Renewal. See attached.

Shelly Butts, Emergency Management said this is renewal of our contract with Everbridge. It is the last renewal for our four-year contract, so next year we will have to look at a new contract. Everbridge provides mass notifications to our county residents, pre-recorded messages such as weather alerts and other information.

Commissioner Driskell moved for approval of Reverse Notification Renewal; Commissioner Pohorelsky seconded the motion; 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.

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ITEM 20. Discuss and consider for approval Resolution for Solid Waste Grant. See attached.

Shelly Butts, Emergency Management Coordinator said she had spoken to commissioners about doing a Solid Waste Grant through the Brazos Valley Council of Governments, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Butts had tried to find a Household Hazard Waste provider, but the cost proved to be tens of thousands of dollars. So, it may be our best interest to ask for another tire collection, we did not do it last year and used our funds to do computer collections with the City. We will do computer collections again this year. Butts said she had spoken with a Vendor for tire collection at the rate of \$2,500.

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 request from County Clerk for approval to hire temporary employee December 10, 2019-January 31, 2020 to replace deputy clerk on family medical leave. Salary Committee agreed to pay \$12.00 hourly, Grade 4 Pay Scale. County Clerk is requesting Court's consideration for payment from County's contingency fund.

Susanne Morris, County Clerk requested to hire a temporary employee while a deputy clerk is out on medical leave. She had requested to pay this temporary hire \$12.00 from Grade 4 compensation scale and petitioned the salary committee for its consideration, most agreed. Also, she requested court's approval for payment from county's contingency fund.

Commissioner Cannon moved to approve County Clerk's request to hire a temporary employee and pay employee from contingency fund; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; 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 a correction to Sheriffs' and Constables' Fees for Fiscal Year 2020 as required and in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Section 118.131. Writ of Possession was omitted from Sheriffs' and Constables' Fee Schedule approved August 12, 2019 by Commissioners' court. Request Commissioners' Court approval of this correction, Texas Comptrollers' office was noticed.

Commissioner Driskell made a motion to approve correction to Sheriffs' and Constables' Fee for Fiscal Year 2020 adding to fee schedule Writ of Possession; 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 for approval Resolution Declaring Madison County, Texas, a Gun Sanctuary County.

Judge Leago tabled this agenda item until next month.

ITEM 24. 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.

One Public Participation form was submitted by Clark Osborne, President of Madisonville Cemetery Association. He gave some history of Madisonville Cemetery, saying in the past there had been inadequate management of records and he would like to establish an electronic data base of all cemetery lots. Osborne is requesting free access to all Madison County deed and official public record documents or for the court to waive an approximate cost, \$2,400 for an external hard drive.

Non action.

ITEM 27. Adjourn

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adjourn; 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			

No one opposed, motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned Monday, December 9, 2019 at 10:06 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 December 9, 2019.

Approved and signed this 23rd day of December 2019.



Susanne Morris

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