

Minutes for the

Madison County Commissioners Court Wednesday, March 8, 2023

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF MADISON

IN COMMISSIONERS COURT OF MADISON COUNTY, TEXAS

The Madison County Commissioners Court met in Regular Session the 8th day of March 2023, 9:30 a.m., at the Madison County Courthouse Annex, County Courtroom, 103 W. Trinity Street, Suite 106, Madisonville, Texas with the following members:

Clark Osborne	County Judge	Present
Ken Starr	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

Judge Osborne asked Commissioner Ken Starr to lead the invocation. The pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags were also led by Judge Osborne.

ITEM 2. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Judge Osborne called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

COUNTY CLERK - ADRIAN LAWSON

ITEM 3. Review and/or correct minutes of Regular Session Meeting held February 24, 2023. Judge Osborne asked for any comments or corrections to these minutes. No correction needed.

ITEM 4. COLLECTION REPORTS

- a) Approve Collection Reports for County Clerk and County Criminal Court No report submitted.
- b) Approve Collection Reports for District Attorney No report submitted.
- Approve Collection Report for District Clerk No report submitted.

TREASURER - JUDI DELESANDRI

ITEM 5. Approve paying County bills. Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne said we have a motion and second and called for a vote to approve paying March 8, 2023, county bills, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 6. Approve bills paid since last court date February 24, 2023.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve bills paid since last court date February 24, 2023, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 7. Approve Treasurer's Report.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Cannon made a motion to approve; Commissioner Starr gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Treasurer's Report, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8. Approve personnel changes.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Pohorelsky made a motion to approve personnel changes; Commissioner Wiseman gave a second to the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve the personnel changes, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

AUDITOR - TONI JOYNER

ITEM 9. Auditor's Report

Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 10. Budget Amendments

No report submitted.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

ITEM 11. Designated Representative Monthly Report - Lynn Jeffries No report submitted.

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

Monthly reports submitted, see attached. Also TAC continuing Education Transcript for Karen Lane, TAC, and maintenance transcript for Veronica Hunt, Chief Deputy for TAC, submitted. See attached.

ITEM 13. Emergency Management Report – Shelly Butts

Report submitted, see attached. Shelly Butts then reported that they had a very productive Subdivision Committee meeting on March 7, 2023. She also reported that they entered additional information into the portal for a grant application for a generator at the Sheriff's Office.

ITEM 14. County Extension Agent Monthly Report-Allen Homann No report submitted.

ITEM 15. Veterans Affairs - Erica Greene

Erica Greene, stated she has been training one day a week in Brazos County learning procedures and operations. Erica also advocated this week for a double amputee Veteran the opportunity to get local

care so they do not have to travel to Temple. She wants to do the same thing for the elderly veterans. There is a Veterans breakfast this Saturday 8:00 a.m. at the Living Truth Church. Following that she will be meeting the Temple Director for health care in Bryan at the American Legion 10 a.m., which is open to the public, to try to hold them accountable for why Veterans have to travel to Temple for care that they can receive locally. There was a law passed for care in the community and it is not being followed.

ITEM 16. Elections Administrator-Bobbie Duke No report submitted.

ITEM 17. Justice of the Peace – Steve Cole/Jon Stevens Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 18. Sheriff's Department – Bobby Adams Report submitted, see attached.

ITEM 19. Madison County Library – Veronica Landmann No report submitted.

ITEM 20. Constable – Charles Turner/Jim Jackson

Charles Turner, Pct. 2 Constable, reported he served six citations some of those were evictions, he did three postings, two tax papers, and three AG papers. He also had two agencies assist. Charles then reported he worked on Saturdays to locate some animals. He assisted Linebarger on locating tax property. Charles stated he was the bailiff for J.P. Court and District Court. He collected \$1,372.00 on papers with the exception on AG papers, which is 66%, and tax papers, they do not get paid until taxes are paid.

ITEM 21. Historical Commission No report submitted.

ITEM 22. Judge's Report - Clark Osborne

Judge Osborne stated we are about to get busy in the Courthouse and Annex with changes to the security. The District Judges are concerned about security. Judge Osborne then stated that what they are about to do is lock the Courthouse down to have an employee entrance and a public entrance, they are still working through the details. Karen Lane, TAC, then asked if she could be involved in that meeting next time as she was curious how they are going to secure her office. Judge Osborne stated it was not intentional to omit anybody, and they have an issue on which is going to the front door. The north door in the Courthouse is sort of the front door there and the south door of the annex is front door, so if you need in both buildings you will have to walk all the way around. District Judge Moorman met with Judge Osborne yesterday and we are probably going to go with a key card to swipe the door to let you in. whatever system we go with, he would like to see it expandable to not only the exterior doors but also offices and time cards. Judge Osborne then stated that Sheriff Adam is having a hard time trying to find someone to fill the Courthouse Security Officer for the rate of pay for that position. Back when we used the ARPA money to give the Sheriff's Office a raise, which was only applied to the filled positions it wasn't applied to the open position, which was our intention. Someone who was working actually got the raise and any open position did not, so that is what the hiring range is. We need to address that. Obvious we are about to have budget time coming up so we will address how we handle that money next year.

ITEM 23. Public Comment – Hear Comments in reference to the <u>following Agenda Items Only</u> – 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. Commissioner Carl Cannon, Commissioner Carl Wiseman, and Commissioner David Pohorelsky submitted County Judge and Commissioner Association of Texas Commissioners Education Certificate of Completion.

ITEM 24. Discuss and consider approval to maintain Settlers Lane to the residence of a handicapped child.

Judge Osborne and Commissioner Wiseman provided information to the court.

Commissioner Cannon moved for approval; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve maintaining Settlers Lane to the residence of a handicapped child, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 25. Discuss and consider Resolution with the Texas Department of Transportation to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete bridges located at CR444 (Bethel Cemetery Rd) at Bedias Creek and CR307 (Waldrip Rd) at Larrison Creek.

Judge Osborne provided information to the court.

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to approve Resolution with the Texas Department of Transportation to replace or rehabilitate structurally deficient and functionally obsolete bridges located at CR444 (Bethel Cemetery Rd) at Bedias Creek and CR307 (Waldrip Rd) at Larrison Creek, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 26. Discuss and consider Midway Entertainment request for HOT Funds in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the 2nd Annual Fall Music Fest 2023.

Report submitted, see attached.

Commissioner Wiseman moved to approve; Commissioner Starr seconded the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote approve Midway Entertainment request for HOT Funds in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the 2nd Annual Fall Music Fest 2023, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 27. Discuss and consider approving the purchase of a Justice Audio Video System (JAVS) for use in the County Courtroom.

Report submitted, see attached. Judge Osborne provided information to the court.

Commissioner Starr moved to approve; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote approve the purchase of a Justice Audio Video System (JAVS) for use in the County Courtroom, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 28. Discuss and consider action on bids received for the purchase of a Road Reclaimer for Pct. 1. Commissioner Starr provided information to the court.

Commissioner Cannon moved to approve; Commissioner Wiseman seconded the motion; and Judge Osborne called for a vote approve bids received for the purchase of a Road Reclaimer for Pct. 1, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 29. 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 submitted to the Clerk of Court.

ITEM 28. ADJOURN:

Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Pohorelsky gave a second; and Judge Osborne called for a vote to adjourn, all in favor.

MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned Wednesday, March 8, 2023, at 10:15 A.M.

I, Adrian Lawson, Madison County Clerk, do hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for March 22, 2023.

Approved and signed this 22nd day of March 2023.

Adrian Lawson, Clerk

Commissioners Court Madison County, Texas