

Mills County

Commissioners Court Regular Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2023 @ 9:00 A.M.

This regular session of the Mills County Commissioners Court opened in due form of law at 9:00 am in the Mills County Commissioners' Courtroom located at 1011 4th Street, Goldthwaite, Texas 76844.

Present in the Courtroom: County Judge Jett Johnson, Commissioners Mike Wright, Robert Head, Dale Partin and Jason Williams for a legal quorum. Also present for meeting, County Attorney Gerald Hale, County Deputy Clerk Joy Nowell. Present via Zoom: Jacki Brooks and Justice of the Peace Judge Kim Avants, Ebony Jackson. Present in the court room Guy Burns, Holly Ragsdale, Kirk Fulk, Carrie Pickering-LBGS, Daniel Garza.

The meeting is available to the public to view on the Mills County YouTube channel.

Agenda: -

1. Opening Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer.
Judge Jett Johnson called the meeting to order noting the presence of a quorum. Judge Jett Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioner Williams providing the opening prayer.
2. Review and Act on Minutes August 21, 2023.
Table Minutes for August 21, 2023
Motion made to approve by Mike Wright and seconded by Jason Williams. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
3. Audience with Individuals-
None
4. Consider and Act on Approving Accounts Payable.
Commissioners Dale Partin on VFD's sent in their own bills for \$1500. Should be \$2000 court had approved. VFD's will have to send a separate bill for the \$500. Motion made to approve by Jason Williams and Mike Wright to approve Accounts Payable. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
5. Linebarger Attorney Carrie Pickering presents Mills County * Mills County Road and Bridge with Tax.
Sale Excess Proceeds in the amount of \$6,256.65. Explained on what Sale Excess Proceeds are.
Carrie Pickering presented a check for the \$6,256.65 to the court to accept.
Gerald Hale County Attorney question on whereas the court has done in the past so in the future the situations where you have you greatly Grant 100% taxable and then you have this payment and I'm concerned that when you do that basically you're waiving all of them remedies and things that you can do to collect taxes like individual taxes is that a valid concern or would your Law Firm even be involved why there really not taxes their payment in lieu of. What would with do if those people don't pay their payment. Carrie Pickering have never had come across a situation like that and will be happy to follow up. To my knowledge we would not be involved. Judge Johnson communication with her we've got a proposed project coming on board and they're going to do a payment in lieu of taxes but it's a very important question where as we as a county need to look at.
6. Consider and Act on interlocal agreement with Bell County Indigent Health Services.
On zoom today is Ebony Jackson to presented on Indigent Health Bell County. Source totals report was included in packet to Commissioners and Judge. Most of the indigent claims were 56 jail inmates and 3 residents. We had 227 billed invoices. Need an agreement or a W9 with a surround hospital and the court of file. To setup one meet with hospitals to be designed provider. Will reach out to Brown Co Hendricks, Hamilton, Comanche, Lampasas Hospitals. Motion made by Jett Johnson and seconded by Mike Wright to approve on going inter Bell County Indigent Health Services. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0

7. Consider and Act on Optional Health Care Services Notification.

Ebony Jackson spoke on Advance Practice Nurse on optional health services.

Motion made to approve by going as is Jason Williams by adding provider of Advance Practice Nurse seconded by Mike Wright. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0

8. Consider and Act on Notice of Consolidate Polling precincts for the November 7, 2023 election.

Motion made to approve by Jett Johnson and seconded by Mike Wright on Notice of Consolidate Polling precincts. Precinct 11 to 9 and Precinct 4 to 2.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

9. Consider and Act on new EMS building.

Guy Burns spoke to the court about. From the Superintendent is good to go.

Propose walk through for commissioner's court next week. Talked about hauling materials, asphalt milling road.

10. Commissioner Requests and Reports.

1 - a little rain, repair roads, rock crusher do not have a way to unload. Jason Williams has its unload now.

Work out on CR 310 & CR 306. Tin out on CR 1023. Sell of two vehicles out at Cowboy Auction. Dump truck \$3,900 and also service truck \$5,500.

2 – hauling on CR 220, hauling material, question on the rock crusher calendar attentive schedule. Leave as is.

Each precinct gets every quarter.

3 - Patch hauling, get new service truck back in operation

4 – Rock crusher Cr 536, 540, 434 custom materials hauled out there, trees down, reworked on CR 434 and four cattle guards. It wasn't put on agenda the RFP's on that Gerald was correct, changing the RPS up we would be changing the whole policy and have to put on agenda. One recommendation goes with through TIPS and they are willing to help us go through that process. Guy has done this process several times. Some of the Laws change on the subdivision takes over September 1 and that has to do with the law states that you cannot Reference any size of the Lots which basically goes back to flag lots, we put in our subdivision 125 foot across Easement across the front and the way the statute's changing that you can't require them to be sold at different lengths and heights and weights and all that other stuff so. Will get all to yall, read it and then we'll have to go back and see if we need to redo that subdivision. Take affect September 1. County Attorney General law out of the county can't do anything its not expressly allowed to play involved.

11. County Judge's Report.

Anticipation or phone calls about the burn ban the burn ban is still on for Mills County about half of the county didn't get a drop. Going to meeting this Thursday the LCRA in Austin with a guy named Sergio Garza an engineer who is familiar with his proposed battery backup group called Valor. Set up a backup battery system next door to the LCRA substation plant south of 183 and if is goes through it could be a large capital investment now, they're wanting to come speak to us in next month come in September.

12. Adjournment.

Motion made to approve by Jett Johnson and seconded by Mike Wright to adjourn.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0

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Joy Nowell

BY: Joy Nowell, Deputy Clerk

