

Mills County

Commissioners Court Special Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2023

This Special Meeting session of the Mills County Commissioners Court opened in due form of law at 1:30 p.m. 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 the meeting County Treasurer Summer Campbell, County Attorney Gerald Hale, County Deputy Clerk Joy Nowell.

Agenda: -

1. Opening – Pledge of allegiance & Prayer
Judge Jett Johnson called the meeting to order noting the presence of a quorum. Judge Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance with Commissioner Williams providing the opening prayer.

2. Audience with Individuals – Ed Smith – would like to defer to when item 5 comes up agenda.

3. Consider and Act on approving Accounts Payable

Concrete work – Buster Taylor, Dudley Joran and Tolarville

Motion made by Commissioner Mike Wright to approve accounts payable as presented.

and seconded Commissioner Jason Williams. Motion carried 4-1 Partin oppose.

4. Consider an Act on camera purchase for the Mills County Law Enforcement Center.

A Few comments from Judge that brought to his attention during last Commissioners court meeting date Monday 11/27. This is the first time that I heard of it. Being on Tuesday about install of 10 cameras that the Sheriff department purchased \$39,000 from company called Verkada. Funds were made of commissary account. Which the Sheriff can use as his discreet at any time. Good news they a working and in good order. My concerns were lack of communications. Asked comments from the County Attorney Gerald Hale my understanding that the cameras were installed at direction of the Sheriff. I don't recall any contract with the commissioner court and understand that it was paid for by commissary funds. Technically not public funds and not under the supervision of the court. My recommendation, so far at the Commissioner Court is to stay out of it. Not part of the contract. The camera was purchased by Sheriff. County is not part of the contract and sees no reason to be part of the contract. Should not be let it go.

Audience-

Ed Smith requested audience with the court. Concern about the position of appointment of Sheriff.

5. Recessing to Executive Session regarding issues relating to appointment of Interim Sheriff.

Gov. code Section 551.00 motion by Judge Jett Johnson to go into executive session regarding to appoint of interim Sheriff seconded by Commissioner Jason Williams. 1:43 pm into executive session.

6. Reconvene in Public Session.

Back from executive session at 2:19 pm

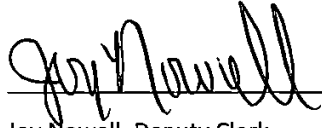
7. Consider and Act on appointment of an interim Sheriff to complete the unexpired term of the Mills

Judge Jett Johnson annunciation elect Anthony Pool Interim Sheriff motion made by Judge Jett Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Wright. Recess to get form swear in Sheriff and oath printed out. Back from recess @ 2:32 pm Motion carried by 5-0

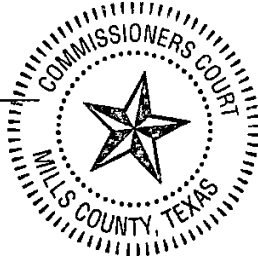
County Attorney Gerald Hale as Notary Public to swear in Anthony Pool for Mills County Sheriff.

8. Adjournment. Motion made to adjourn by Commissioner Jason Williams and seconded by Commissioner.

Mike Wright.



Joy Nowell, Deputy Clerk



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