

Mills County
Commissioners Court Minutes
February 13, 2023 at 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: Judge Jett Johnson, Commissioners Partin, Head, Wright, and Williams, County Attorney – Gerald Hale, Deputy County Clerk – Julie Fincher, and Deputy County Clerk-Shawnee Martinez. Present via Zoom: Jacki Brooks, Hamilton EMS-Dana Allison and Justice of the Peace – Kim Avants, Treasurer- Summer Campbell. and Goldsmith Solution-Drew Altom See attendance sheet for audience listing.

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

1. Opening Pledge of Allegiance was led by Judge Johnson and Commissioner Williams provided the prayer.
2. Judge Johnson opened the sealed bids for Bank Depository and they will be given to our Treasurer, Summer Campbell for analysis and for a committee to review and make a decision.
3. Review and act on Minutes of 01.23.2023 and 02.06.2023 Motion by Commissioner Williams to approve as submitted 2nd by Commissioner Partin. Carried 5-0
4. Audience with Individuals- Douglas Morosco will speak when the item is up on the agenda, Patricia Graham spoke on Patriotism Class invitations.
5. Review and Act on Accounts Payable: Commissioner Williams questioned a charge on page 10, and noted an over payment was made and there was a reimbursement for that. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve accounts payable as presented and Judge Johnson 2nd the motion, Carried 5-0.
6. Sheriff Hammonds awarded Deputies Son Drake and Caleb Hopson for their Life Saving Measures. The victim was present in the court room along with her mother and father who spoke and thank the Deputies for all of their hard, swift and diligent work and actions that saved their daughters life. Present also was the couple that was first on scene and called in the incident, thanking the Deputies for their professional and swift actions.

At 9:17 Judge Johnson called for a brief recess

Court reconvened at 9:22

CONSENT AGENDA

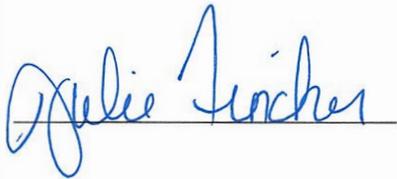
Commissioner Williams noted that the interest earned is really good right now. MCAD is a little behind right now with the bad weather and closings earlier in the month. Guy Burns was able to fix the South door of the Court House. The Historical Commission authorized Guy Burns to accept proposals for the 1880 Jail. Guy stated what bids have come in and will present to the court at a later date, he also stated that the Historical Commission will advise on what can be done but it will be up to the Commissioners on who does the work. Commissioner Williams made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as reported and written, Commissioner Head provided the 2nd. Carried 5-0

ACTION AGENDA

7. Consider and act on declaring 2 office chairs at the Law Enforcement Center scrap. Judge Johnson made the motion to declare the chairs as scrap and Commissioner Partin 2nd the motion. Carried 5-0
8. Consider and act on appointing a representative to the Mills County Appraisal Board. Commissioner Williams stated that he has reached out to couple of people but did not get a definite answer that they were willing to serve. Brandon Grebe volunteered to serve on the board and Judge Johnson made the motion to appoint Brandon Grebe to the Mills County Appraisal Board. Summer Campbell said that she was approached and ask if she would serve but there was already a motion made. Commissioner Wright 2nd the motion to appoint Brandon Grebe. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Williams opposed
9. Consider and act on releasing Swift Current Energy and Castle Gap Wind Road use bond. Michael Pritchard was present to discuss. Commissioner Williams made the motion to release the bond upon inspection and sign off of an Engineer or County Commissioner. Commissioner Head provided the 2nd. Carried 5-0
10. Skipped to item 17 on the agenda. Consider and act o bid specs for camera system at the Jail and Court House. Sheriff Hammonds presented a proposal and Drew Altom with Goldsmith also presented a proposal of requirements in order to seek bids. There was a lot of discussion on what we already had in place and what was needed. County Attorney Gerald Hale clarified that the Bid Specs were to put out there so that vendors can bid in accordance to their capabilities and our needs. Judge Johnson suggested that a meeting be set up with the Sheriff, Goldsmith, and maybe one other Commissioner. Judge Johnson made the motion to table for 2 weeks in order for the Commissioners and County Attorney to look over the proposals that were submitted and the differences in them. Commissioner Wright 2nd the motion. Carried 5-0.

- 10.** Back to item 10 on the agenda. Update on Rolling Oaks Subdivision. Douglas Morosco was present to give update on major phases. He updated the status of the pump station on CR 429 is 80% complete the storage is built and passed all test, and that all water lines are installed. The equipment is there for Hamilton Electric. Hamilton Electric will come out and stake and install poles and this should start next week and take approximately 3 to 4 weeks for full power.
- 11.** Consider and act on status inquiry for Lexon Insurance Company regarding Stepmor Holdings, LLC. Phase 1 bond 6002 (last 4 digits) which is East Rolling Oaks Dr. and Live Oak Mott Dr, is complete except for the signage. On bond 63-01 for entrances and culverts is 80 % complete Mr. Morosco will make Entrances on CR 429 correct that will result in the lease amount of work that will fall on the county in the future, and will get approval from Commissioner Wright. Commissioner Wright will contact engineer Sam Swan to come out and give recommendation for what needs to be done as far as roads and drainage and the best way to do it. Commissioner Williams made the motion to table Lexon Insurance Company regarding Stepmor Holdings, LLC until next Commissioners' Court. 2nd by Judge Johnson. Motion carried 5-0
- 12.** Discuss variance on Subdivision regulations. Buddy Williams is wanting to sell 1.32-acre lot out of his 60 acres, which by definition creates a subdivision. This item will be put on the agenda in 2 weeks.
- 13.** C&A on adding a washer and dryer to the Community/ Senior center. Bids are being taken for electrical and plumbing. There was discussion on placement and vented vs non-vented dryer. Motion by Judge Johnson to allow Community/Senior center to handle the bids with consultation from Guy Burns and for the dryer to be vented. 2nd by Commissioner Williams. Carried 5-0
- 14.** C&A on interlocal agreement with Mullin City Council. County Attorney Gerald Hale drafted and presented the agreement to the court. Commissioner Partin made the motion to enter the interlocal agreement Commissioner Head 2nd the motion. Carried 5-0
- 15.** C&A on the Court Coordinator's computer system. The money will come out of the Technology Fund. There are 12 computer systems in the court house that were budgeted to be replaced. Commissioner Williams made the motion that the Court Coordinators computer be bought out of the general technology fund. Judge Johnson 2nd the motion. Carried 5-0.
- 16.** C&A on Microsoft and email licensing. This will be a yearly agreement that is paid monthly. Commissioner Williams made the motion to accept the bid for Goldsmith Solutions to be our email provider archiving and security agent and domain host with a .gov ending for 930.00 a month with 1150.00 one-time conversion fee. Commissioner Parting 2nd the motion. Carried 5-0.
- 17.** This item was addressed earlier in the meeting.
- 18.** Discussion on 2006 Kenworth truck VIN No. 1XKDD9X86J157537. Commissioners and some hands have looked at the truck and it appears to be well kept and clean. The truck will cost 47k. There will be a special meeting called on this matter.

19. C&A on the sale of the old EMS building. There was some interest shown after placing a for sale sign on the property. There was more discussion on the ways to sell the property. Judge Johnson is going to reach out to surveyor to get approximate cost and time frame and will bring it back to Commissioners Court. Motion by Judge Johnson to table for 2 weeks 2nd by Commissioner Williams. Carried 5-0.
20. C&A on new EMS building. There is a new door that is being added to the inside between the Apparatus Bay and the living quarters. Judge Johnson made the motion to approve the change and Commissioner Partin provided the 2nd. Carried 5-0
21. Commissioners request and reports:
PCT 1: Hauling material on CR 313, 412 and 324. Blading CR 505 and 506
PCT2: Blading what and when we can and working on the shop and did some shredding.
PCT 3: Put some side rails on dump truck, blading, and spot hauling
PCT4: Maintenance on trucks. Had to cancel their work shop so it was moved this past Monday. Talking about having another workshop on subdivisions and purchasing. Will be working on trying to get a speaker to come and cover subdivisions. We already have purchasing agents and will maybe set this up as 2 different workshops. Blading CR 432 and 433. Also, on 433 the fiberoptic is going in. Also working on the right of ways on 549.
22. County Judge's report- Went to the County Judge's Conference. Judge will serve on multiple Boards. Will attend another conference in a few weeks.
23. Commissioner Williams made the motion to adjourn and Commissioner Head 2nd Carried 5-0



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Julie Fincher

Mills County Deputy Clerk

