

**REGULAR SESSION OF THE
COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY
9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY MARCH 26, 2025**

The Commissioners' Court of Van Zandt County met at the above-named date and time in the County Courtroom in the Van Zandt County Courthouse in Canton, Texas. The members present were County Judge Andy Reese, Commissioner Pct. 1 Mitch Curtis, Commissioner Pct. 2 Cliff Williams, Commissioner Pct. 3 Bobby Phillips and Commissioner Pct. 4 Brandon Barton. Notice was given by posting in compliance with Section 551.041 of the Government Code on all the following before the Court for consideration:

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM. 9:00 A.M. All present.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY RETIREES AWARDS. Judge Wintters presented Mrs. Becky Wheeler court reporter for the County Court at Law a retirement plaque for 40 years of service as a court reporter.

PRESENTATION BY LEON WATSON. Mr. Watson from AG Life Extension gave an update on activities they have had and activities coming up. Reminded us that the County Fair is next week. Presented Commissioner Brandon Barton a certificate of participation from Texas A & M Ag Life Extension Service for successfully completing hours of educational training at the district 4 judges and commissioners conference.

Judge Andy Reese gave an update on debris removal 4,000 cubic yard of debris has been picked up in Pct. 2. Judge Andy Reese also stated that the Fire Marshal has issued an order to taleri.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY).

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS THE COUNTY JUDGE, OR A COMMISSIONER REQUESTS AN ITEM BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- A.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DISPENSING WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING(S) OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT AND APPROVAL OF SAME FOR MARCH 12, 2025 AND MARCH 17, 2025.**
- B.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COUNTY'S BILLS FOR PAYMENT AS SUBMITTED**
- C.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RATIFYING OF COUNTY'S BILLS AS SUBMITTED**
- D.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FY2025 LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**
- E.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MONTHLY REPORTS SUBMITTED BY VARIOUS OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND APPROVAL ENTRY OF SAME IN THE COURT'S MINUTES AS A MATTER OF RECORD.**
- F.) DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF FEBRUARY 2025 FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT REPORT OF COUNTY TREASURER TO BE ENTERED INTO THE MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS COURT**

G.)DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF PIPE AND/OR UTILITY LINES

- 546 VZ COUNTY ROAD 1515
- VZCR 3103 & VZCR 3119
- VZCR 2322
- 444 VZCR 4305

Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE YOUTH DIVERSION COORDINATOR POSITION AND GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE YOUTH DIVERSION BOARD TO DETERMINE WHETHER AND WHEN THE YOUTH DIVERSION COORDINATOR WILL BE FULL TIME OR PART TIME POSITION. District Attorney Tonda Curry spoke and discussed the hourly pay is to be \$19.44 an hour. Correct Grant application required by County Auditor. Motion to table by Commissioner Cliff Williams and seconded by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARDING ROAD AND BRIDGE FUEL BID FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2025, THRU MAY 31, 2026. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARDING ROAD AND BRIDGE MATERIAL BIDS FOR THE CONTRACT PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2025, THRU APRIL 30, 2026. FINAL MOTION IS: Motion by commissioner Brandon Barton to accept bids for cold mix from Sustainable Pavement and Longview Asphalt, reject bid for crushed concrete of 1 1/4 rock and 1 3/4 for Pct. 3 only, and reject all emulsion bid second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN PRO RATA TOBACCO SETTLEMENT DISTRIBUTION EXPENSE STATEMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR, 2024 FILING. Motion to approve amended version by Commissioner Cliff Williams seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CANTON VESSEL PLAT ON VZCR 2323 LOCATED IN PRECINCT 2. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams seconded by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING BALANCE OF PAYMENT OF MILESTONE PAYMENT B.1.4 TO L3 HARRIS FOR MICROWAVE HARDWARE DELIVERY. The amount is \$275,000.00 to be paid with ARPA funds. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BANK DEPOSITING CONTRACT WITH TEXAS BANK & TRUST TO BE RENEWED FOR TWO YEARS PER LGC 116.021(ESTABLISHMENT OF DEPOSITORY). Treasurer Kenny Edwards spoke and stated this is for a two-year extension. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton seconded by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2025. Treasurer Kenny Edwards spoke and stated this is part of the Texas Class Pool. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips seconded by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

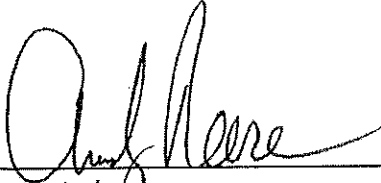
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PITNEY BOWES. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

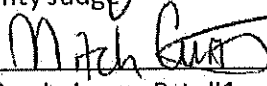
ADJOURNMENT. 10:00 A.M. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Bobby Phillips seconded by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

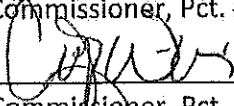
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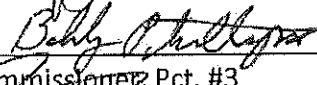
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Van Zandt County, Texas

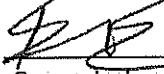
BY: Susan Strickland


County Judge


Commissioner, Pct. #1


Commissioner, Pct. #2


Commissioner, Pct. #3


Commissioner, Pct. #4