REGULAR SESSION OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY 9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY April 9, 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. 9:03 A.M. All present.

- GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. JUDGE ANDY REESE GAVE UPDATE ON DEBRIS PICK UP IN PCT. 2 APPROXIMATELY 10,000 YARDS OF DEBRIS HAS BEEN PICKED UP SO FAR THIS SHOULD BE COMPLETED FOR PCT. 2 THIS WEEK.
- Public Comments (on Agenda Items only) Mr. Dwayne Collins on Item number 9, Ms. Ann Nelson on Item number 10, Donna Ronsewald Item number 9, and mr. ronnie Jones on Items number 3, 9, 10, 12, and 16.

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 26, 2025 AND APRIL 1, 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 APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF PIPE AND/OR UTILITY LINES

VZCR 4103.

Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROVIDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO MIDWEST TUBE MILLS LLC AND MECHANICAL SHEET METAL, CURRENTLY WORKING WITH THE WILLS POINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO BUILD NEW FACILITIES IN WILLS POINT, TEXAS. Provide Economic Development Assistance in the amount of \$25,000.00 to Mechanical Sheet Metal and \$20,000.00 to Midwest Tube Mills LLC. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE MONTH OF APRIL TO BE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT AWARENESS MONTH. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND APPROVE RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE MONTH OF APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE MONTH OF APRIL TO BE SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH. Motion to table by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO CLOSE THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY AT 1930 TRADE DAYS BLVD, CANTON, TX AND APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF NECESSARY FUNDS. Motion to table by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH KOMATSU ARCHITECTURE FOR DESIGN DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS, PERMITTING AND REGULATORY REVIEW, AND BIDDING FOR RESTORATION OF VAN ZANDT COUNTY COURTHOUSE WINDOWS AND DOORS. 1) Motion to table by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. Motion fails due to lack of votes. 2). Motion to approve by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams, County Judge Andy Reese votes yes motion passes. Commissioner Brandon Barton Votes no. (no vote by Commissioner Bobby Phillips.).

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FIREWALL FOR TOWER SITE IN PRECINCT 3 AND VIDEO CAMERAS AND RECORDERS FOR TOWER SITE AT SHERIFF OFFICE AND PRECINCT 3 TO BE PAID OUT OF ARPA INTEREST ACCOUNT. 5 Camera recorders \$11,300.00 and Firewall \$960.00 for a total of 12,260.00. Motion to approve by Commissioner Brandon Barton and second by Commissioner Bobby Phillips. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TVEC SETTING POLES IN VAN ZANDT COUNTY ROAD EASEMENT ON VZCR 2623. THIS IS AT THE INTERSECTION OF VZCR2623 AND VZCR2622. TVEC has lines on the north side of road and wants to cross over to the south side and also trim trees. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Brandon Barton. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REPLAT OF LOT 29 OF ACORN ESTATES LOCATED ON VZCR 2715 IN PRECINCT 2. Motion to approve pending the 30-day posting then final application. Post on website for May 21, 2025 by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Mith Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WHISPERING OAKS SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 2810 IN PRECINCT. 2. This is at VZCR 2810 and FM3080 and will consist of 20 lots with county road frontage. Motion to approve by Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MILAGRO RANCH SUBDIVISION PLAT LOCATED ON VZCR 3717 IN PRECINCT 3. FOLLOWED ALL THE REGULATIONS THIS IS AT VZCR 3701 AND 3717 WITH COUNTY ROAD FRONTAGE. Motion to approve by Commissioner Bobby Phillips and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 551.074 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE,

- (1) TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE; OR
- (2) TO HEAR A COMPLAINT OR CHARGE AGAINST AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE 10:01 A.M.
- <u>CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO SEEK ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION OR CONSULTATION WITH ITS ATTORNEY REGARDING MATTERS PROTECTED BY THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION TO CONSIDER ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:29 A.M. Motion to approve signing of Resolution on Battery Energy Storage System dated April 9, 2025. Commissioner Cliff Williams and second by Commissioner Mitch Curtis. All voted in favor.

WORKSHOP - DISCUSS AMENDING VAN ZANDT COUNTY LAME DUCK POLICY

WORKSHOP – DISCUSS IMPACT OF WASTE COLLECTION VEHICLES ON COUNTY ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

ADJOURNMENT. Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Mitch Curtis and second by Commissioner Cliff Williams. All voted in favor. 11:44 a.m.

ATTEST:

Susan Strickland, County Clerk

Van Zandt County, Texas

BYS Warm Shield

County Judge

Commissioner, Pct. #1

Commissioner, Pct. #2

Commissioner, Pct. #3

Commissioner, Pct. #4