

MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT

February 12, 2024

Be it remembered that on February 12, 2024, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: County Judge Kevin Brendle. Commissioners, Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1; Mike Smith, Precinct 2; Charlie Morris, Precinct #3; Greg Arnold, Precinct #4, Danay Carnes, County Clerk and Brandi Abbott, Treasurer. The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by County Judge, Kevin Brendle. The meeting opened with a prayer by Kevin Brendle, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag.

Whereupon the following business was transacted and is now placed of record in the minutes of said Court:

The following Consent Agenda Items were submitted to the court for approval:

- Minutes of the January 9, 2023, and January 8, 2024, Commissioners Court meeting were reviewed finding a deficiency.
- Sheriff Terry Braly submitted the Sheriff's Department report.
- Stella Carter, J.P. presented the Justice of the Peace report.
- Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report.
- Danay Carnes, County and District Clerk presented the Clerk's office report.
- Brandi Abbott, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report.
- County Commissioners reported on road conditions in their precincts.
- Approved purchase of grader blades for Precinct 1 & 2 that exceeds the County Spending Policy.
- Approved purchase of DEF that exceeds the County Spending Policy

Greg Arnold made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted. Dennis Wyatt second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Agenda

1. Public Comment – None
2. Discussed and reviewed the TCEQ notice of violation for a municipal solid waste investigation at the Dickens County Roll off Site UNA. The court came to an agreement that Dickens County would hire a contractor to sort, separate, break down and place all items not eligible to be burned into roll offs.
3. Mike Smith made the motion to approve interlocal cooperation contract for failure to appear program. Greg Arnold second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Dennis Wyatt made the motion to approve Road Improvement Agreement between Dickens County, Texas and Dickens Bess LLC, Wind Energy Transmission Texas LLC, Galaxy Power LLC, Burksol Bess LLC, and HE- Cottonwood Solar LLC. Charlie Morris second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
5. On a motion made by Mike Smith and second by Greg Arnold the court voted unanimously to approve the cost to add ProDataKey Systems Remote Unlock capabilities to the Main Entrance doors at the Courthouse Annex building that exceeds the County Spending Policy.
6. Mike Smith made a motion to approve the appointments of Election Judges. Charlie Morris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion to approve Dickens County Investment Policy was made by Charlie Morris. Dennis Wyatt second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Greg Arnold made a motion to approve new software for the County Treasurer. Dennis Wyatt second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
9. Commissioners Court discussed establishment of an Investigator's Office within the County Attorney's Office.

Court recessed at 12:00pm
Court resumed at 1:10pm

10. Mike Smith made a motion to purchase Surface Pro 7 tablets for the General Administrative Assistant and the County Court Coordinator. Charlie Morris second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

11. David Copeland of Bolinger, Segars, Gilbert, Moss, LLP rescheduled for next commissioner's court.

12. Commissioners Court reviewed ARPA funds.

- ❖ Motion was made by Dennis Wyatt and seconded by Greg Arnold to approve action on claims incurred against the county since the last Commissioner's Court. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ Motion was made by Mike Smith to and second by Charlie Morris to approve bill from Wyatt Tractor. Motion passed unanimously, with Dennis Wyatt abstaining.
- ❖ Motion to pay Historical Commission bills was made by Mike Smith and second by Dennis Wyatt. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ No line item transfers.
- ❖ No budget amendments.

Motion to adjourn was made by Greg Arnold with a second by Dennis Wyatt. Motion passed unanimously.
Court adjourned at 2:10 P.M.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DICKENS §

I, Danay Carnes, Dickens County Clerk, attest that the above and foregoing is a true and complete transcript of the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas, given to me at the time and place heretofore set forth.
DATED at Dickens, Texas, this the 13th day of February 2024.



Danay Carnes

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