

**COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 13, 2017**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in a Regular Meeting with the following members present to wit: **Bruce Wood**, County Judge; **Mike Hunt**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; **Skeet Phillips**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **Terry Barber**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **Jakie Allen**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; **Monique Hunter**, Deputy Clerk.

**INVOCATION;**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG;**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG;**

**REMARKS FROM VISITORS;**

**ITEM 1.**

**ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE**

**ITEM 2.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Approve Deputations of Amy Keathley, Joseph Smith, Lowell Smith, Nelly Mendez, Martha Barbosa, Callie Rinks-Morgan, Diana Doughty Perez, Nicky Miller, Shaquila Carpenter, Liliana Montes, Ruth Law, Cassidy Guerrero, Carla Cook, Phillip O'Steen, Teressa Floyd, Krystal Cruz, Kathy Stephen, Beverly Adkins, Claudia Soto, Katherine Baker, Lisa Compton and Lana Crow for the Kaufman County Tax Assessor-Collector's office. See Attachments.
- B. Approve Deputations of John Sullivan and Vanessa Brooks as Deputy Constables and Dan Sharp as Reserve Deputy Constable for Kaufman County Precinct 4. See Attachments.
- C. Accept Financial Statement for the Kaufman County Emergency Services District # 3 (ESD #3) for Year Ended September 30, 2016. See Attachment.
- D. Presentation of the Star Transit Demand and Response Ridership Report for the month of December 2016. See Attachment.
- E. Approve Cellphone allowance for Constable Chad Jones, Kaufman County Precinct 4. See Attachment.
- F. Approve renewal of membership with the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas and paying annual dues. See Attachment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 3.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE REQUEST**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a request from Trinity Valley Electric Coop (TVEC) to place poles on county property on the northwest side of Griffin Lane, located in Kaufman County Precinct 1. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 4.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Project Agreement with the City of Combine for the replacement of a culvert on Mockingbird, located in Kaufman County Precinct 4. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 5.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Project Agreement with the City of Crandall to patch various holes in the amount of \$250, located in Kaufman County Precinct 4. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 6.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Kaufman County and the City of Forney for road maintenance, enhancements, repairs and other projects, pursuant to Texas Government Code §791. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 7.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the appointment of Stephen Davis and Don Themer as members to the 2017-2018 Kaufman County Historical Commission, as representatives for Precinct 2. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 8.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the appointment of Henry "Chuck" Shepard as a member of the 2017-2018 Kaufman County Historical Commission, as a representative for Precinct 3. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 9.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING REGULAR MEETING**

**AND ENTERING INTO PUBLIC HEARING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Regular Meeting and entering into a Public Hearing, pursuant to Texas Transportation Code §251.151 – 152 and 251.161; To receive input from the public regarding not allowing thru trucks on County Road 250 (CR 250), located in the unincorporated area of Kaufman County Precinct 3, and placing a "No Thru Trucks" signs on CR 250. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 10.**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public hearing was held.

**ITEM 11.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING PUBLIC HEARING**

**AND ENTERING INTO REGULAR MEETING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting Public Hearing and entering into Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 12.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE STREET SIGNS**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve not allowing thru trucks on County Road 250 (CR 250), located in the unincorporated area of Kaufman County Precinct 3 and placing "No Thru Trucks" signs on CR 250.

A motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 13.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Resolution No. 021317-13 for the submission of the Murder Trial Grant Application (Grant No. 2740903) through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division, in the amount of \$111,000. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 14.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Resolution No. 021317-14 for the submission of the Immediate First Responders Safety Equipment Grant Application (Grant No. 3351801) through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division to purchase Constable's rifle vests. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 15.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE APPLYING FOR FUNDING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve applying through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division for funding to hire a Child Abuse / Family Violence Liaison.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 16.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve allowing retired Constable Bryant Morris to purchase his County-issued handgun for 50% of fair market value (\$220). *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 17.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE APPLYING FOR FUNDING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve applying through the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division for funding to purchase Deputies safety equipment (rifle vest, tactical vest).

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 18.**

**PRESENTATION**

There came on to be a presentation of the Kaufman County Sheriff's Office Monthly Statistical Report for January 2017. *See Attachment.*

**ITEM 19.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve upgrade to Jail Facilities Camera and DVR security system, in the amount of \$108,798.08, utilizing the Texas Multiple Award Schedule Program (TXMAS) Contract #TXMAS-5-84070. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 20.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the purchase of two (2) 2017 Chevrolet 1500 pickups for the Sheriff's Department, in the amount of \$71,494, utilizing BuyBoard Contract #521-16. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 21.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the purchase of five (5) 2017 Dodge Chargers for the Sheriff's Department, in the amount of \$135,640, utilizing BuyBoard Contract #521-16. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by Commissioner Terry Barber and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 22.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve the purchase of a Boom Mower for Precinct 4 Road and Bridge, in the amount of \$58,330, utilizing BuyBoard Contract #447-14. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 23.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve a Resolution in Opposition to Senate Bill 2 and Revenue Caps. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by County Judge Bruce Wood and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote with County Judge Bruce Wood, Commissioner Terry Barber and Commissioner Mike Hunt voting 'for' and Commissioner Jakie Allen and Commissioner Skeet Phillips voting 'against'. Motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 24.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE ORDER**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Order rescinding the Kaufman County Commissioners Court Order approved on December 12, 2011, regarding purchasing authority limit for new expenditures. *See Attachment.*  
A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.  
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 25.**

**PRESENTATION**

There came on to be a presentation of the press release related to the August 2016 Road Bond Issuance and the savings that will be realized by Kaufman County in the long term. *See Attachment.*

**ITEM 26.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE ROAD REPORT AMENDMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve amending Precinct 4 Road and Bridge Annual Road Report to include Atherton, Fieldcrest and Laredo.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Terry Barber.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 27.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE LINE ITEM TRANSFERS & BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Line Item Transfers and Budget Amendments. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Mike Hunt.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 28.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve Claims for Payment for \$1,594,347.11. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 29.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING REGULAR MEETING  
AND ENTERING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting the Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session pursuant to:

**Item 30.** Government Code §551.074 (a) (1); Personnel Matters - Interview potential Human Resources Director candidate.

**Item 31.** Government Code §551.071 (1) (A); Attorney Consultation - Pending and/or contemplated litigation updates regarding the following: Seaway Crude Pipeline (Cause No. 94270-422); and Employment Litigation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 30.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session was held - Government Code §551.074 (a) (1); Personnel Matters - Interview potential Human Resources Director candidate. County Judge has certified agenda.

**ITEM 31.**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An Executive Session was held - Government Code §551.071 (1) (A); Attorney Consultation - Pending and/or contemplated litigation updates regarding the following: Seaway Crude Pipeline (Cause No. 94270-422); and Employment Litigation. County Judge has certified agenda.

**ITEM 32.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXITING EXECUTIVE SESSION  
AND ENTERING INTO REGULAR MEETING**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exiting Executive Session and entering into the Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 33.**

**MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENT**

There came on to be considered a motion to approve appointment of Lori Poole as Human Resource Director for Kaufman County (Executive Session Item 30).

A motion was made by Commissioner Skeet Phillips and seconded by Commissioner Jakie Allen.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**ITEM 34.**

**NO ACTION TAKEN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM 31**

No action taken from Executive Session Item 31.

**ITEM 35.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There came on to be considered a motion to adjourn Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jakie Allen and seconded by Commissioner Skeet Phillips.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

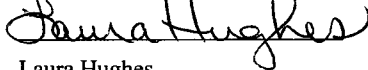
**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

I, Laura Hughes, County Clerk of Kaufman County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

Laura Hughes

Kaufman County Clerk



Laura Hughes,  
County Clerk

