

**MINUTES
TERRELL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING**

DATE: November 2, 2021

Time: 6:00 P.M.

Place: Terrell County Government Building

Commissioners and staff present: Chairman Wilbur T. Gamble, III, Ernest Johnson, Lucius Holloway, Larron Copeland, Brad Stafford, Jimmy Skipper, Davina Driver, Sandra O'Stean, Kenna Pate

Others present: Linda Freeman, Janice Bryant, Seth McAllister, Monyette Williams, Richard Kilby, Pastor Joseph Moreland, Christie Cooper, Margaret Halbrook, Victoria Freeman, Ernest Kennedy, Gail Faust

Call to order: Chairman Wilbur T. Gamble, III

Prayer: Pastor Joseph Moreland

Approval of Agenda: *Ernest Johnson made the motion to approve the November 2, 2021 agenda. Larron Copeland gave the second. All in favor of the motion were Ernest Johnson, Larron Copeland, Lucius Holloway, and Brad Stafford. The motion carried.*

Approval Minutes of October 5, 2021 regular meeting: *- Brad Stafford made the motion to approve the minutes of October 5, 2021. Ernest Johnson gave the second. Those in favor of the motion were Brad Stafford, Ernest Johnson, Larron Copeland, and Lucius Holloway. The motion carried.*

Chairman's Report: - Chairman Gamble gave a report on the 2020 Census.

Administrator's Report: Bank balances, Vendor Activity, CI bank accounts, CDBG and ARP fund accounts were given by Davina Driver.

Clerk's Report: Fuel report and Jail Count were presented by Sandra O'Stean.

EMS/911/EMA Report: A written report submitted

Extension Service Report: Margaret Halbrook presented Extension & 4-H activities and Seth McAllister gave crop updates. Commissioner Ernest Johnson expressed thanks to Margaret Halbrook on her efforts in making the Pavilion available for the funerals of the recent homicide victims.

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Road Department Report: Jason Webb read the report of road department activities. He presented a quote for pipes that will be needed for upcoming projects. The Board gave approval to have the pipes ordered. This did not require a vote as this matter had been voted on in a previous Commissioners' meeting.

Warden's Report: Richard Kilby gave a report from the correction facility.

Fire Department: A written report was submitted

Delinquent Garbage Report: Sandra O'Stean read the summary for delinquent garbage collections and also reported on the 2021 annual billing that was mailed out by October 29, 2021.

Delinquent Tax Report: Christie Cooper presented the delinquent tax report and announced the tax sale was moved out to April 2022.

Sheriff's Report: Not available

Recreation Department Report: A written report was submitted. Administrator Davina Driver gave an update on the recent vandalism of the recreation facility and of the insurance payment the County received.

OLD BUSINESS:

Quotes for tag reader & tag reader statistics – Two quotes for tag reader were presented to the Board. Madden Associates quote was \$19,540 and Synergistic Software, Inc. quote was 19,775. *Ernest Johnson made the motion purchase the tag reader from Synergistic for \$19,775. Brad Stafford gave the second. All in favor of the motion were Ernest Johnson, Brad Stafford, Larron Copeland, and Lucius Holloway. The motion carried.*

Costs to purchase propane tanks for County property – Driver Energies, LLC submitted costs for four (4) propane tanks at a price of \$7,495. James Driver, owner, offered to sell a refurbished tank for \$800. *Larron Copeland made the motion to purchase 3 new tanks and the refurbished tank from Driver Energies, LLC at a total cost of \$7,095. Ernest Johnson gave the second. Those in favor of the motion were Larron Copeland, Ernest Johnson, Brad Stafford, and Lucius Holloway. The motion carried.*

NEW BUSINESS:

1% Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) – The Chairman explained that the current LOST will be expiring and stated the Board needs to decide if they want to renew the 1% Local Option Sales Tax. Davina Driver stated the paperwork has to be turned in by July 1, 2022. *Brad Stafford made the motion to*

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move forward with drafting and adopting a resolution requesting the Board of Elections to call the LOST election in 2022. Ernest Johnson gave the second. All in favor of the motion were Brad Stafford, Ernest Johnson, Lucius Holloway, and Larron Copeland. The motion carried.

1% Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)- The Chairman explained the SPLOST also will be expiring December 2022. ***Brad Stafford made the motion to move forward with drafting intergovernmental agreements with the municipalities and the County as to SPLOST, drafting resolutions, and adopting resolutions requesting the Board of Elections to call for the SPLOST election in 2022. Ernest Johnson gave the second. All in favor of the motion were Brad Stafford, Ernest Johnson, Larron Copeland, and Lucius Holloway. The motion carried.***

Quotes for repair to section of Kennedy Pond Road- Two quotes were submitted to the Board for repair work on a section of Kennedy Pond Road. Tri County Ready Mix proposal was \$11,780. And Mickey Rice Land Clearing and Grading, LLC was \$ 10,000. ***Ernest Johnson made the motion to approve the quote from Mickey Rice Land Clearing and Grading, LLC of \$10,000. Larron Copeland gave the second. Those in favor of the motion were Ernest Johnson, Larron Copeland, Lucius Holloway, and Brad Stafford. The motion carried.***

2022 Local Maintenance Improvement Grant (LMIG) - The Board reviewed the 2021 LMIG and discussed the fact that unsatisfactory resurfacing was done on Morris Fleming Rd. The Board agreed to come back to the December Commissioners' meeting with names of roads to be considered for future LMIG projects. A proposal to advertise for professional services for the 2022 LMIG was discussed by the Board. ***Ernest Johnson made the motion to place a request for qualifications of engineering services to assist the local government with LMIG in the legal ads of the Dawson News and on the County website. Lucius Holloway gave the second. All in favor of the motion were Ernest Johnson, Lucius Holloway, Larron Copeland, and Brad Stafford. The motion carried.***

Adoption of Language Access Plan for CDBG Grant & sign Resolution- ***Brad Stafford made the motion to approve the adoption of the Language Access Plan for the CDBG Grant and have Chairman Gamble sign the Resolution of the adoption. Ernest Johnson gave the second. Those in favor of the motion were Brad Stafford, Ernest Johnson, Lucius Holloway, and Larron Copeland. The motion carried.***

Adjourn- ***Ernest Johnson gave the motion to adjourn the meeting and the second came from all. The meeting adjourned.***

Respectively submitted by: Sandra O'Stean

Sandra O'Stean County Clerk

Approved By: Wilbur T. Gamble III

Wilbur T. Gamble, III Chairman Board of Commissioners

Date: 12-7-2021