

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF POLK §

DATE: December 10, 2024
REGULAR MEETING
ALL PRESENT

COMMISSIONER'S COURT
AGENDA POSTING # 2025 - 010

Call to Order. * Invocation * Pledges of Allegiance

Be it remembered on this the 10th day of December 2024, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in "REGULAR" called meeting with the following officers and members present, to wit;

Honorable Sydney Murphy – County Judge presiding,
Guylene Robertson – Commissioner Pct #1,
Mark DuBose – Commissioner Pct #2,
Milton Purvis – Commissioner Pct #3,
Jerry Cassity - Commissioner Pct #4,
Schelana Hock – County Clerk and
Louis Ploth – County Auditor.

WELCOMED & CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:00 AM BY JUDGE SYDNEY MURPHY.

- INVOCATION LED BY LINDELL MITCHELL.
- PLEDGES TO U.S. & TEXAS FLAGS LED BY SCHELANA HOCK.

Public Comments
NONE

Informational Reports

1. **PRESENTATION OF POLK COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE "EXCELLENCE IN SAFETY AWARD" FOR FY2024.**
Jodie Richey received the FY2024 Excellence in Safety Award from the Polk County Commissioners Court and the Safety Committee. She was selected for the award by the Safety Committee for going above and beyond to promote safety in her department.
2. **RECEIVE CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING FROM GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (GFOA) AWARDED TO THE POLK COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE FOR FISCAL YEAR END SEPTEMBER 30, 2023.**
The Commissioners Court expressed their appreciation for the County Auditor and his team for always looking out for the best interest of Polk County residents.
3. **PRESENTATION OF COMPLETED AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) BROADBAND PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS.**
Jessica Hutchins presented information about the completion of the broadband partnership projects with Eastex Telephone and LivCom funded by the American Rescue Plan Act, as well as the Interoperable Communications Tower built in the north end of the county, which has significantly enhanced emergency communication capabilities.

Old Business

4. **APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: November 12 & November 18, 2024**

(Regular / Special Meetings)

MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 18, 2024 AND TABLE MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 12, 2024.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

New Business - Consent Agenda

JUDGE MURPHY NOTED ADDENDUMS TO ITEM 6 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$302,607.43 & \$508.76. MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS FOLLOWS: (ALL VOTING YES)

5. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: November 26, 2024 (Regular Meeting)

6. APPROVE SCHEDULES OF BILLS.

DATE	AMOUNT	FUND	CHECK #
12/10/2024	166,797.50	ARPA	ACH 033/281/308218-308221
11/21/2024	947.77	General	308114-308115
11/22/2024	17,789.41	General	308124-308134
11/22/2024	120.74	General	ACH 4117,4118,4119
11/22/2024	148,586.58	General	ACH 4098,4106,4107,4108, 4110,4111,4112,4104,4105
11/26/2024	437.50	General	308198
11/27/2024	10,691.33	General	308194-308197
11/27/2024	712.56	General	308203
11/27/2024	14,431.86	General	308204-308208
11/27/2024	14,708.49	General	308209-308213
11/27/2024	13,533.54	General	308199-308202
11/27/2024	800.60	General	308214-308215
12/10/2024	401,298.08	Grants	ACH 035/1250/ACH 010/308222-308316
TOTAL:	790,855.96		

	Addendum #1	\$302,607.43 to be included on a future schedule.
	Addendum #2	\$508.76 to be included on a future schedule.

7. APPROVE ORDER DESIGNATING SURPLUS PROPERTY.
The Order includes items no longer in use by the Sheriff's Office.
8. RECEIVE AND RECORD PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS SUBMITTED BY ELECTED OFFICIALS SINCE THE LAST MEETING.
9. APPROVE ADDENDUM TO NON-EXCLUSIVE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH INDIGENT HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS FOR ONE IMAGE STATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,188 PER YEAR.
10. APPROVE CHANGES TO OFFICE ASSIGNMENTS AT THE POLK COUNTY OFFICE ANNEX.
Aging and Social Services have swapped offices to better serve the public.
11. RECEIVE AND RECORD LISTING OF CURRENT MEMBERS OF POLK COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE.
Safety Director Courtney Comstock, Committee Members James Mostek, Grady Woods, Stephanie Dale, and David Sottosanti, and Sheri Atchley as Recorder.
12. APPROVE RE-APPOINTMENT OF GARVEY JACKSON TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM, BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025.
13. ACCEPT SUB-GRANT AWARD FOR THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP), DR-4485, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251,003.70, FOR THE DALLARDSVILLE SEGNO WSC GENERATOR PROJECT.
14. APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE POLK COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTION HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN, FUNDED BY GENERAL LAND OFFICE CONTRACT NO. 22-130-033-E029.

New Business - Regular Agenda

15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL MATTERS, AS FOLLOWS:
 - A. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS SUBMITTED BY DEPARTMENT HEADS SINCE THE LAST MEETING, AND REVIEW OF ANY AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY HIRES.
JUDGE MURPHY NOTED NO EMERGENCY HIRES. MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
 - B. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUEST TO USE DISCRETIONARY FUNDS FOR ONE-

TIME BONUS IN LIEU OF STEP INCREASE.

MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

- C. PAID BIWEEKLY FLSA COMPENSATION FOR ALL JAIL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS STAFF BEGINNING WITH DECEMBER 2, 2024 PAYROLL, AND CONTINUING THROUGH SEPTEMBER 21, 2025, UTILIZING AVAILABLE FUNDS FROM THE RESPECTIVE SALARY LINE ITEMS.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, APPROVAL TO PAY OVERTIME FROM RESPECTIVE SALARY LINE ITEMS, AS REQUESTED, SO LONG AS SUFFICIENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
16. CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET, AS FOLLOWS:
- A. FY2024 BUDGET REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS, AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE;
MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, APPROVAL OF REVISION #2024-26 AND AMENDMENT #2024-26(A).
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
17. CONSIDER ANY/ALL NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING EXPENDITURES FROM THE MAINTENANCE CAPITAL OUTLAY BUILDINGS (BUDGETED FUNDS), AS FOLLOWS:
- A. RENOVATIONS TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL FACILITY.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM TRUE LINE CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,802.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
- B. REPLACE AIR CONDITIONING UNIT AT THE POLK COUNTY JAIL.
MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO AWARD BID TO BEST AIR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,912.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
18. CONSIDER REQUEST FOR CAPITAL PURCHASE OF CATTLE TRAILER FROM LONGHORN TRAILER SALES NOT TO EXCEED \$35,000, AND DETERMINE METHOD OF FUNDING.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, APPROVE PURCHASE OF 2015 ELITE 24 X 8 FOOT SHOW CATTLE TRAILER FROM LONGHORN

TRAILER SALES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,900, WITH UNBUDGETED PORTION, \$14,900, TO BE FUNDED WITH CONTINGENCY FUNDS.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

19. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER FOR THE COURTHOUSE RESTORATION PROJECT PLUMBING MODIFICATIONS.

MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY MILT PURVIS, TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDER.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

20. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ANY AND ALL NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING RFP# 2025-13 FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING EVALUATIONS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT. MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO REJECT ALL BIDS AND REBID RFP #2025-13.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

21. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL TO UPDATE THE POLK COUNTY PURCHASING POLICY.

JUDGE MURPHY NOTED THAT THIS POLICY DOES NOT IMPACT THE CREDIT CARD POLICY PREVIOUSLY APPROVED, WHICH REMAINS IN EFFECT. MOTIONED BY MARK DUBOSE, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE PURCHASING POLICY.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

22. DISCUSS AND, IF NECESSARY, CONSIDER ADOPTION OF ORDER REGULATING CERTAIN FIREWORKS IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY DURING THE DECEMBER HOLIDAY PERIOD.
NO ACTION.

23. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF POLK COUNTY JUSTICE COURT YOUTH DIVERSION PROGRAM.

MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

24. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ANY AND ALL NECESSARY ACTION FOR THE ALLOCATION OF REMAINING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS, AS FOLLOWS:

- A. AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN POLK COUNTY AND PROVIDENCE WATER SUPPLY COMPANY.

MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

- B. AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN POLK COUNTY AND TEMPE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION.

MOTIONED BY MARK DUBOSE, SECONDED BY MILT PURVIS, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

- C. AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN POLK COUNTY AND ONALASKA WATER AND GAS SUPPLY CORPORATION.

MOTIONED BY MARK DUBOSE, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

- D. MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH POLK COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCTS.

MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

25. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR THE 2021 ARPA-SLFRF WATER PLANT IMPROVEMENTS AT PROVIDENCE WSC.

MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

26. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO CERTIFY AND UTILIZE FY2024 IAH SECURE ADULT DETENTION FACILITY REVENUES.

MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

27. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS FOR THE 89TH TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION, AS FOLLOWS:

- A. RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO PROPOSED LEGISLATION THAT WOULD LIMIT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS' ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE.

MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY MILT PURVIS, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

- B. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ADDRESSING AMBIGUITIES IN SUBDIVISION PLATTING EXCEPTIONS.
MOTIONED BY MARK DUBOSE, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
- C. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A COUNTY MOTOR FUEL TAX EXEMPTION.
MOTIONED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
- D. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL OPTION HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION BASED ON DOLLAR AMOUNT.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY MARK DUBOSE, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
- E. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF STATE REIMBURSEMENT TO COUNTIES FOR DETENTION COSTS.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
- F. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION THAT WOULD ALLOW COUNTIES TO CREATE BUFFER ZONES FOR ENERGY STORAGE FACILITIES.
MOTIONED BY JERRY CASSITY, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
28. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER WHETHER TO CANCEL THE DECEMBER 27 MEETING.
MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, APPROVAL TO CANCEL MEETING.
VOTES NO: 0
VOTES YES: 5
VOTES RESULT: CARRIED
29. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING AN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY - SECURITY INCIDENT AND ANY OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT

THERE TO. [Closed/meeting/executive session may be requested pursuant to Texas government code, section 551.071 (consultation with attorney) and section 551.089 (security devices or security audits)].

EXECUTIVE SESSION BEGAN AT 10:52 A.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED AT 11:17 A.M. & COURT RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION. NO ACTION TAKEN.

30. CONSIDER APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR BIDS TO REPLACE THE GENERATOR AT THE DUNBAR GYM.

MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY GUYLENE ROBERTSON, TO APPROVE.

VOTES NO: 0

VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED

Adjourn

MOTIONED BY MILT PURVIS, SECONDED BY JERRY CASSITY, TO ADJOURN COURT AT 11:18 A.M.

VOTES NO: 0

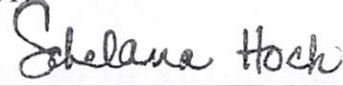
VOTES YES: 5

VOTES RESULT: CARRIED



SYDNEY MURPHY, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:



SCHELANA HOCK, COUNTY CLERK