



POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

November 24, 2020
10:00 A.M.

Polk County Courthouse, 3rd floor
Livingston, Texas

NOTICE Is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court will be held on the date stated above, at which time the following subjects will be discussed;

Agenda Topics

(Persons wishing to provide Public Comment must complete and submit a *Public Participation Form* to the County Clerk prior to the Call To Order).

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1. **CALL TO ORDER.** * INVOCATION * PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

This item is included to allow public comments on topics relating to the business of the county. In accordance with law, this Court cannot discuss, deliberate or take action on any item or topic not listed on this agenda. Public comments requesting or requiring action or deliberation may be scheduled on a future agenda. Each public comment will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes, unless a member of the Court requests additional time for the presenter. Any handout materials must be reproduced prior to the meeting and furnished by the presenter. **After the close of this portion of the Agenda, public comment for the remainder of the Court session is no longer appropriate or accepted unless specifically requested by a Member of the Court.**

3. **CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER REVISIONS TO POLK COUNTY'S TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES.**

4. **CONSIDER AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE REVISED TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES.**

5. **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

This item is included on the Agenda to receive announcements from the Court members and/or other Elected Officials and Department Heads of Polk County.

A. SPOTLIGHT ON POLK COUNTY

NEW BUSINESS

6. **CONSENT AGENDA** (The items listed within the Consent Agenda are deemed to be of a routine nature and are not scheduled for individual consideration by the Commissioners Court. However, any member of the Court retains the option to remove any one or more items from the Consent Agenda and to have the item/s individually considered).

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: November 10, 2020 and November 16, 2020 (Regular/Special Sessions).

B. APPROVE SCHEDULES OF BILLS.

C. RECEIVE COUNTY AUDITOR'S MONTHLY REPORT, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 114.025.

D. APPROVE RENEWAL OF MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING FOR LOCAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS (SHELTERING OF PETS AND LIVESTOCK).

E. APPROVE AMENDED FY2021 (OCTOBER 1, 2020 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021) CONTRACT EXTENSION 014-16-1000824-7 BETWEEN DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND POLK COUNTY AGING (CONGREGATE AND HOME DELIVERED MEALS).

- F. APPROVE EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH MOTIVATION EDUCATION & TRAINING, INC. (SENIOR EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM).
 - G. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT RENEWING SERVICES WITH HARRIS COUNTY FOR POSTMORTEM EXAMINATIONS.
 - H. APPROVE REQUEST FROM SCOTT HUGHES, CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1, FOR ASSET FORFEITURE EXPENDITURE OF SEIZED PROPERTY NOT TO EXCEED \$10,850 FOR ASSET SEIZURE ASSISTANCE.
 - I. APPROVE CONSENT TO GATE FIRE TOWER ROAD, CLOSING TO THROUGH TRAFFIC, AND REMOVE FROM COUNTY MAINTENANCE IN PRECINCT 4.
 - J. APPROVE USE OF \$50,970 FROM MAINTENANCE CAPITAL OUTLAY BUILDINGS (BUDGETED FUNDS) FOR REPLACEMENT OF HVAC EQUIPMENT (\$13,800), REPLACEMENT OF THE GRAVEL ROOF (\$26,500) AND INSTALLATION OF AWNING (\$10,670) AT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICE.
- 7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL MATTERS, AS FOLLOWS:**
- A. REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORM REQUESTS SUBMITTED SINCE LAST MEETING AND REVIEW OF ANY AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY HIRING.
- 8. CONSIDER REQUESTS FOR REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BUDGET, AS FOLLOWS:**
- A. FY2020 AND FY2021 BUDGET REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS, AS PRESENTED BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE;
- 9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF OFFERS TO PURCHASE TAX FORECLOSED PROPERTIES, AS FOLLOWS:**
- (PCT. 2) LOTS 50 & 51, BLOCK 21, SECTION 1, CEDAR POINT, CAUSE #T18-095
 - LOT 54, BLOCK 25, SECTION 1, CEDAR POINT, CAUSE #T14-054
 - LOTS 44-50, SECTION 4, CEDAR POINT, CAUSE #T15-067
 - LOT 717, BLOCKS 7, 8 & 9, SECTION 2, SPORTSMAN'S RETREAT, CAUSE #T13-249
 - LOTS 256-261, SECTION 3, WILD COUNTRY LAKE ESTATES, CAUSE #T19-012
- 10. DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARD OF GENERAL LAND OFFICE DISASTER RECOVERY-4332 (HURRICANE HARVEY) ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (GLO CONTRACT NO. 20-065-018-C064).**
- 11. CONSIDER ANY/ALL NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING SHERIFF'S REQUEST TO PURCHASE TWO (2) VEHICLES, TO BE PAID FROM GENERAL FUND BALANCE AND INCLUDED ON THE FY2021 REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION FOR YEAR END ISSUANCE OF LEGALLY AUTHORIZED DEBT.**
- 12. DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION REGARDING POLK COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER PROGRAM.**
- 13. REVIEW DROUGHT INDEX IN POLK COUNTY AND CONSIDER ANY NECESSARY ACTION RELATING TO COUNTY WIDE BURN BAN.**

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By: Sydney Murphy, County Judge

Posted: Thursday – November 19, 2020



I do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I have caused to be posted a true and correct copy of said Notice in the Polk County Courthouse at a place readily accessible to the general public during normal business hours on Thursday – November 19, 2020 and that said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting. This notice has also been posted on the official website of Polk County, Texas (www.co.polk.tx.us).

SCHELANA HOCK, COUNTY CLERK