

ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
OFFICIAL MINUTES – FEBRUARY 4, 2025

THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2025, AT 2:00 P.M., IN THE HISTORIC ELLIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (2ND FLOOR) 101 W. MAIN STREET, WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS AT WHICH THE FOLLOWING WAS DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED, TO-WIT:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE

COUNTY CLERK: KRYSTAL VALDEZ

COMMISSIONERS:

PRECINCT 1 COMMISSIONER RANDY STINSON

PRECINCT 2 COMMISSIONER LANE GRAYSON

PRECINCT 3 COMMISSIONER LOUIS PONDER

PRECINCT 4 COMMISSIONER KYLE BUTLER

OPENING COURT:

COUNTY JUDGE CALLS MEETING TO ORDER, DECLARES QUORUM AND DECLARES NOTICES LEGALLY POSTED PURSUANT TO OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

MOTION TO OPEN COURT BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: *PRECINCT 3 COMMISSIONER LOUIS PONDER*

CONSENT AGENDA: MINUTE ORDER 131.25

ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A.1 APPROVING OF REGULAR BILLS, PAYROLL, AND OFFICERS' REPORTS. – *COUNTY TREASURER CHERYL CHAMBERS*
- A.2 APPROVING OF THE DECEMBER 2024 MONTHLY TREASURER'S REPORT, PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §114.026. – *COUNTY TREASURER CHERYL CHAMBERS*
- A.3 ACCEPTING OF THE ELLIS COUNTY INVESTMENT REPORT 4TH QUARTER 2024. – *COUNTY TREASURER CHERYL CHAMBERS*
- A.4 ACCEPTING OF A TABULATED REPORT OF THE COUNTY'S RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF FUNDS FROM DECEMBER 1, 2024 THROUGH JANUARY 24, 2025 PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §114.024. – *COUNTY AUDITOR STACI PARR*
- A.5 ACCEPTING OF THE RACIAL PROFILING REPORT FOR THE ELLIS COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE, WHICH HAS BEEN ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT. – *FIRE MARSHAL TIM BIRDWELL*
- A.6 ACCEPTING OF THE OFFICIAL BOND FOR JANA ONYON, ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 19, 2025. – *ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR JANA ONYON*
- A.7 ACCEPTING OF THE APPLICATIONS OF SHERYL L. HONZA, BRENTON VRLA, CHESTER WILLIAMS, DAVID H. HOLLYWOOD, JR., AND SHANTEL COLEMAN FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM ON THE BOARD OF ELLIS COUNTY

EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #10 (BARDWELL) FROM FEBRUARY 4, 2025 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025. – FIRE MARSHAL TIM BIRDWELL

- A.8 APPROVING OF THE COUNTY JUDGE3 TO SIGN, CERTIFY, AND SUBMIT THE 2024 MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) ANNUAL REPORT AND THE 2025-2030 MS4 PHASE II STORM WATER PERMIT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (TCEQ) TO REMAIN IN COMPLIANCE. – DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR ALBERTO MARES
- A.9 APPROVING TO APPOINT LISA STAFORD TO THE ELLIS COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM THAT WILL BEGIN ON MARCH 1, 2025 AND END ON FEBRUARY 29, 2028. – COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE
- A.10 APPROVING OF A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS FIRST RESPONDER MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM. – COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE
- A.11 APPROVING OF A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS FIRST RESPONDER MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM. – COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE
- A.12 APPROVING OF A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTABLES TO APPLY FOR A GRANT FROM THE TEXAS RIFLE -RESISTANT BODY ARMOR GRANT PROGRAM. – COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE
- A.13 APPROVING TO RECLASSIFY TWO CLERK III POSITIONS TO VICTIM ASSISTANT COORDINATOR I POSITIONS IN THE COUNTY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE. THERE IS NO BUDGET IMPACT IN FY2025 AS SB22 FUNDS WILL BE USED TO COVER THE DIFFERENCE. – COUNTY ATTORNEY LINDY BEATY
- A.14 AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF TO ENGAGE SHOOK & GUNTER ATTORNEYS AT LAW FOR GENERAL CONSULTATION FOR THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE – SHERIFF BRAD NORMAN

FINANCIAL CONSENT:

- F.1 ACCEPTING OF VENDING MACHINE COMMISSIONS FROM THE AMERICAN BOTTLING COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$119.73 AS UNANTICIPATED REVENUE:
 - 1. INCREASE 001-0140-506940 (EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION) BY \$119.73PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §111.0108, UNANTICIPATED REVENUE CERTIFIED BY COUNTY AUDITOR. – COUNTY AUDITOR STACI PARR
- F.2 ACCEPTING OF MISCELLANEOUS REIMBURSEMENT OF \$498.09 BY THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE AS UNANTICIPATED REVENUE. REQUEST SPECIAL BUDGET FOR UNANTICIPATED REVENUE:
 - 1. INCREASE 001-0010-506970 (EVIDENCE ANALYSIS AND TESTING) BY \$498.09PURSUANT TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §111.0108, UNANTICIPATED REVENUE CERTIFIED BY COUNTY AUDITOR. – COUNTY AUDITOR STACI PARR
- F.3 FY2025 LINE-ITEM TRANSFER – SHERIFF BRAD NORMAN
DECREASE 001-0010-506940 (EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION) BY \$351.81
INCREASE 042-0942-400870 (SHERIFF FORFEITURE) BY \$325.00
INCREASE 001-0010-508850 (SALES TAX) BY \$26.81
- F.4 FY2025 LINE-ITEM TRANSFER – PRECINCT 3 CONSTABLE CURTIS POLK, JR.
DECREASE 001-0613-508090 (AUTO REPAIRS) BY \$264.00
INCREASE 001-0613-508100 (AUTO TIRES) BY \$265.00

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

REGULAR AGENDA – DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND ACTION:

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

MINUTE ORDER 132.25 (1.1) APPROVING A VARIANCE REQUEST TO VOLUME I, SECTION IV (A) OF THE SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REGARDING THE MINIMUM LOT SIZE REQUIREMENTS, MINIMUM PUBLIC ROAD FRONTAGE REQUIREMENTS AND SEPTIC REGULATIONS (ORDER NO. 134.24) FOR PARCEL ID 255115. THIS ± 042.-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED ± 495 FEET WEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF HOPEWELL ROAD AND OIL FIELD ROAD, ENNIS, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 2. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. THE PROPERTY OWNER OR APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT A REPLAT IDENTICAL TO THE SURVEY PLAT PROVIDED FOR THE PROPERTY WITH THE VARIANCE APPLICATION PRIOR TO MAKING AN APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT.
2. ANY FURTHER SUBDIVISION OF THIS PROPERTY SHALL REQUIRE A PLAT MEETING THOSE REGULATIONS IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF PLATTING.
3. APPROVAL OF THIS VARIANCE REQUEST DOES NOT EXTEND TO MULTI-TENANT, MULTI-UNIT, OR ANY OTHER COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES OR BUSINESSES WITHOUT MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS IN EFFECT AT THAT TIME.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 133.25 (1.2) APPROVING A VARIANCE REQUEST TO VOLUME I, SECTION IV (A) REGARDING THE MINIMUM ROAD FRONTAGE REQUIREMENTS FOR PARCEL ID 290688. THIS ± 9.10-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED ± 1,200 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF FM 308 AND TIGHT WAD ROAD (A PRIVATE ROAD), GRANDVIEW, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 3. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. THE PROPERTY OWNER OR APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT A PLAT IDENTICAL TO THE SURVEY PLAT PROVIDED FOR THE PROPERTY WITH THE VARIANCE APPLICATION.
2. NO FURTHER SUBDIVISION OF THIS PROPERTY SHALL OCCUR UNTIL IT CAN MEET THE SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS IN EFFECT AT THAT TIME.
3. APPROVAL OF THIS VARIANCE REQUEST DOES NOT EXTEND TO MULTI-TENANT, MULTI-UNIT, OR ANY OTHER COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES OR BUSINESSES WITHOUT MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS IN EFFECT AT THAT TIME.
4. AN EXISTING ACCESS EASEMENT SHALL BE SHOWN AT THE TIME OF PLATTING TO PROVE THAT IT HAS INGRESS & EGRESS ONTO THE SITE.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 134.25 (1.3) RATIFYING STAFF ACTION ON A FINAL PLAT OF NEW BEGINNINGS ESTATES, LOTS 1 & 2. THE ± 5.0-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST INTERSECTION OF FM 983 AND PALMYRA ROAD PARTIALLY SITUATED IN THE JOHN W BAKER SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 35, FERRIS, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 1.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 135.25 (1.4) RATIFYING STAFF ACTION ON A FINAL PLAT OF THOMAS ACRES, LOT 1, BLOCK A. THE ± 5.151-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED ± 2,900 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF NASH HOWARD ROAD AND FM 877 SITUATED IN THE CARY WHITE SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 1109, ENNIS, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 2.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 136.25 (1.5) RATIFYING STAFF ACTION ON A PLAT OF THE ESTATES AT RED OAK RANCH, LOTS 1 & 2, BLOCK A. THE ± 5.207-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED ± 680 FEET NORTHEAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF FM 1446 AND CROWNOVER ROAD SITUATED IN THE S. CONNER SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 263, WAXAHACHIE, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 3. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. UPDATE THE VOLUME & PAGE NUMBER ON THE PLAT TO REFLECT THE FOLLOWING: VOLUME 2195, PAGE 480.
2. UPDATE THE VICINITY MAP.
3. PALMYRA ROAD REQUIRES 60 FEET OF RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATION FROM THE CENTERLINE OF THE ROAD. ADD 20 FEET OF RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATION.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 137.25 (1.6) RATIFYING STAFF ACTION ON AN AMENDING PLAT OF RODGERS BURNS ESTATES ADDITION, LOT 1, BLOCK 1. THE ± 6.87-ACRE SITE IS LOCATED ± 990 FEET EAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF WALNUT GROVE ROAD AND SHILOH ROAD, SITUATED IN THE S. FREDERICK SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 357, IN THE EXTRATERRITORIAL JURISDICTION (ETJ) OF MIDLOTHIAN, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 4.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 138.25 (1.7) APPROVING A PLAT OF SHEPPEARD ESTATES WEST REPLAT, LOT 2-R1 AND 2-R2, BEING A REPLAT OF SHEPPEARD ESTATES WEST, LOT 2. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 5.135 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST INTERSECTION OF SHILOH ROAD AND NORTH WALNUT GROVE ROAD, MIDLOTHIAN, ROAD AND BRIDGE PRECINCT NO. 4. SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. PRIOR TO THE FILING OF THE PLAT, THE PROPERTY OWNER SHALL SUBMIT AN AFFIDAVIT TO ELLIS COUNTY AFFIRMING THAT THE RELEASE FROM THE CITY OF MIDLOTHIAN ETJ HAS OCCURRED BY OPERATION OF LAW. THE AFFIDAVIT SHALL INCLUDE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE RELEASE, DETERMINED BASED ON THE DATE THE REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED TO THE CITY.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

PURCHASING

MINUTE ORDER 139.25 (2.1) DECLARING THE LISTED ITEMS FROM ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT 4 AS SURPLUS TO BE DISPOSED OF IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 263: ONE (1) 2012 JOHN DEERE ROTARY FLEX WING CUTTER, VIN 1POCX15GVBZD16121; ONE (1) 2012 JOHN DEERE TRACTOR, VIN 1LV5093EECY540071.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 140.25 (2.2) DECLARING THE LISTED ITEMS FROM THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 4 AND THE CONSTABLE, PRECINCT 4 AS SURPLUS TO BE DISPOSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 263: THREE (3) DESKS; SIX (6) METAL FILE CABINETS; FOUR (4) METAL STORAGE RACKS; FOUR (4) BREAK ROOM CHAIRS; THREE (3) PLEXI-GLASS PANELS OF DIFFERENT SIZES; TEN (10) ELECTRONIC DEVICES/EQUIPMENT (LAPTOPS, CPU'S, TIME STAMP, SCANNER, MONITORS).

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 141.25 (2.3) APPROVING AN EXEMPTION UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §262.024 (A)(7) FOR SUPER SLURRY MIX AND SERVICES FROM MARTIN MARIETTA, INC., AS THE SOLE SOURCE.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 142.25 (2.4) APPROVING TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH MARTIN MARIETTA, INC. FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD FOR THE PURCHASE OF SUPER SLURRY AND SERVICES USING THE APPROVED SOLE SOURCE EXEMPTION.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 143.25 (2.5) APPROVING A REQUESTED LABOR PRICE INCREASE FROM AA BIGGS HOLDINGS LLC DBA A&A REPAIR FOR AUTO AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT REPAIR, RFB-2021-001.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 144.25 (2.6) APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF AUDIO-VISUAL COURT & CONFERENCE EQUIPMENT, A THREE-YEAR WARRANTY, AND INSTALLATION SERVICES FOR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT NO. 2 SUB-COURTHOUSE FROM FORD AUDIO-VISUAL SYSTEMS, LLC USING THE TIPS COOPERATIVE CONTRACT #230901 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$497,324.00.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 145.25 (2.7) APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TXSHARE AND ELLIS COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION ACT, CHAPTER 791 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 146.25 (2.8) APPROVING OF TASK ORDER No. 7 FOR SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS IN THE DESIGN, PRECONSTRUCTION, BIDDING, NEGOTIATIONS SUPPORT, AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTY'S ONGOING AND UPCOMING PROJECTS WITH KITCHELL IN AN AMOUNT OF \$451,950.00

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 147.25 (2.9) APPROVING TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A GLASS TRANSACTION WINDOW AND METAL DOOR FRAME AT THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 4 FACILITY FROM ENNIS GLASS, LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$24,000.00, USING THE COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 148.25 (2.10) APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF KAUFMAN AND ELLIS COUNTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION ACT, CHAPTER 791 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

ADMINISTRATIVE

NO ACTION (3.1) STATUS UPDATE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2024 ON AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARPA) FUNDS ALLOCATED TO ELLIS COUNTY. – *COUNTY AUDITOR STACI PARR*

NO ACTION (3.2) ONE-YEAR PROGRESS UPDATE OF THE NEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. – *BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR CAITLIN WILKINSON*

MINUTE ORDER 149.25 (3.3) APPROVING TO PURCHASE TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$7,029.96 FROM THE JUSTICE COURT TECH FUND. – *BUTCH BRYANT, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 4*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY JUDGE LITTLE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 150.25 (3.4) APPROVING TO ENGAGE REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE SERVICES FROM HI VIEW REAL ESTATE FOR THE SALE OF 701 S. I-35E, WAXAHACHIE, TX 75165; SUBJECT TO LEGAL APPROVAL. – *COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY JUDGE LITTLE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 151.25 (3.5) APPROVING FOR THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE THE RENEWAL CONTRACT FOR DEBTBOOK. – *COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 152.25 (3.6) APPROVING A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT FOR ELLIS COUNTY. – *COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY JUDGE LITTLE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, MOTION CARRIED

RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION **3:17 P.M.**

MOTION TO RECESS BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ELLIS COUNTY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT ANY TIME DURING THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING TO DISCUSS ANY OF THE MATTERS LISTED IN THIS AGENDA, IN THE ORDER DEEMED APPROPRIATE, AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551, OR TO SEEK THE ADVICE OF ITS ATTORNEY AND/OR OTHER ATTORNEYS REPRESENTING ELLIS COUNTY ON ANY MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE CHAPTER 551 OR AS OTHERWISE MAY BE PERMITTED UNDER 551.

- 4.1 PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §551.071(1), CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION CONCERNING TCEQ MATTERS, SPECIFICALLY PENDING TEXAS POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEMS PERMITS (TPDES) AND PENDING PETITIONS FOR THE CREATION OF MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICTS (MUDs).
- 4.2 PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §551.071(2), CONSULTATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING THE NOTICE OF TERMINATION FROM SPCA OF TEXAS RECEIVED JANUARY 14, 2025.
- 4.3 PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE §551.074(A)(1), DELIBERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE, SPECIFICALLY FOR DISCUSSION ON HIRING OF THE COUNTY ENGINEER.

RECONVENED TO REGULAR SESSION **5:16 P.M.**

MOTION TO RECONVENE BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, MOTION CARRIED

(TO AGENDA ITEM 3.7)

MINUTE ORDER 153.25 (3.7) APPROVING TO ADOPT THE MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR RABIES CONTROL UNDER CHAPTER 826: RABIES OF THE TEXAS HEALTH & SAFETY CODE AS ELLIS COUNTY'S LOCAL RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM. – *COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

MINUTE ORDER 154.25 (3.8) APPROVING TO APPOINT DR. SUSAN HEATH AS THE LOCAL RABIES CONTROL AUTHORITY UNDER CHAPTER 826.017 OF THE TEXAS HEALTH & SAFETY CODE. – *COUNTY JUDGE TODD LITTLE*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY JUDGE LITTLE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT 5:20 P.M.

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY COMMISSIONER PONDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, MOTION CARRIED

THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON FEBRUARY 4, 2025, ARE HEREBY APPROVED.

PRESIDING OFFICER:



TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE



RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 1



LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 2

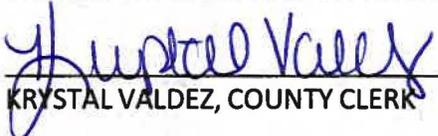


LOUIS PONDER, COMMISSIONER, PCT 3



KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PCT 4

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE THIS 18TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2025.



KRISTAL VALDEZ, COUNTY CLERK

