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Ellis County Clerk

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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING  
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court will be held on **Tuesday, May 31, 2022, 2:00 P.M., in the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Commissioners' Courtroom (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), 101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas**, at which time the following will be discussed and considered, to-wit:

**OPENING COURT**

County Judge Pro – Tem will call meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act §551

Motion to open meeting

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – *Judge Pro Tem, Commissioner Lane Grayson*

**PUBLIC COMMENT\*- Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.**

**PROCLAMATION**

AA Presentation of a proclamation by Commissioner Lane Grayson recognizing the month of June as "Elder Abuse Prevention Month".

**CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and action:**

**Administrative:**

- A.1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll and Officers' Reports. – *County Treasurer, Cheryl Chambers*
- A.2 Approval of Commissioners Court Special Meeting Minutes from May 12, 2022 and Regular Meeting Minutes from May 17, 2022. – *County Clerk, Krystal Valdez*
- A.3 Presentation of a tabulated report of the county's receipts and disbursements of funds from May 10, 2022 – May 20, 2022, pursuant to Local Texas Government Code §114.024.  
*County Auditor, Janet Martin*

- A.4 Approval for ESD #7 Bristol to accept the application of Brian Almand to replace Gary Sportsman Emergency Service District Board Members for a two-year term that began on January 2022 and expires December 2023. - *Fire Marshal, Tim Birdwell*
- A.5 Acceptance of the annual Compilation Report of the fiscal accounts and records of ESD #8 Avalon, pursuant to Texas Health and Safety Code §775.082. – *Fire Marshal, Tim Birdwell*

**Financial:**

- F.1 **FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER** – *Commissioner, Pct #3, Paul Perry*  
**DECREASE** 005-0703-570000 RB3 Contingency by \$2,000.00  
**INCREASE** 005-0703-500805 RB3 Conference/Dues by \$2,000.00
- F.2 **FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER** – *Commissioner, Pct #4, Kyle Butler*  
**DECREASE** 012-0755-570000 Contingency – Surplus by \$13,000.00  
**INCREASE** 012-0755-509060 Culverts by \$13,000.00
- F.3 **FY2022 LINE ITEM TRANSFER** – *County Auditor, Janet Martin*  
**DECREASE** 001-0030-508350 Training by \$75.68  
**INCREASE** 001-0430-404100 EM Safety Training by \$75.68
- F.4 Request for approval by County Tax Assessor Collector Office, to issue Property Tax Refunds in the amount of \$31,747.67. – *County Tax Assessor Collector, Richard Rozier*

**REGULAR AGENDA – Discussion, Consideration and Action:**

**Department of Development:**

- 1.1 **Consideration and action for a request to accept a performance bond for the proposed Carrera Ranch (Parcel ID No. 277733).** The property contains ± 16.00 acres of land in the T. Jackson Survey, Abstract No. 574, located at the east side of FM 878, ± 2,440 feet south of the intersection of FM 878 & Ike Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Waxahachie, Road & Bridge Pct No. 1.
- 1.2 **Discussion, consideration & action on a plat of Llama Development Addition.** The property contains ± 18.053 acres in the W. Harrison Survey, Abstract No. 515, located on the east side of Christian Road, ± 1,020 feet east of the intersection of Fallen Road & Christian Road, in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) of the City of Ennis, Road & Bridge Pct No. 2.

**Purchasing:**

- 2.1 Discussion, consideration, and approval to purchase one 2022 Warren PUP Dump Trailers from Warren Truck and Trailer, LLC Body Company, Inc in an amount of \$43,000.00. To be paid out of the Road & Bridge, Precinct #1 Equipment Line #003-0601-508020. – *Commissioner, Pct #1, Randy Stinson*
- 2.2 Discussion, consideration and approval to purchase Cisco phones and analog gateways to merge with Cisco WebEx cloud services including equipment from Flair Data Systems, Inc. using the Texas DIR Cooperative Contract No. DIR-TSO-2542 in the amount of \$128,792.27 using American Rescue Plan Act funds. – *Assistant IT Director, Jocelyn King*

- 2.3 Discussion, consideration and approval to purchase additional Body Cameras with existing budgeted funds, from Axon Enterprise, Inc. using the Texas Association of School Boards BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. #648-21 in the amount of \$18, 189.24; to be paid out of the Sheriff’s Budget, Equipment Line #001-0010-508020. Payment schedule is depicted in the following graph:

Payment Date	SubTotal	Tax	Amount Due
Jun 2022	\$9,9462	\$0.00	\$9,9462
Dec 2022	\$9,9462	\$0.00	\$9,9462
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,189.24</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$18,189.24</b>

*County Sheriff, Brad Norman*

- 2.4 Discussion, consideration and approval to purchase additional Tasers with existing budgeted funds, from Axon Enterprise, Inc. using the Texas Association of School Boards BuyBoard Cooperative Contract No. #648-21 in the amount of \$23,621.51; to be paid out of the Sheriff’s Budget, Equipment Line #001-0010-508020. Payment schedule is depicted in the following graph:

Payment Date	SubTotal	Tax	Amount Due
Jun 2022	\$5,905.36	\$0.00	\$5,905.36
Aug 2022	\$5,905.32	\$0.00	\$5,905.32
Aug 2023	\$5,905.32	\$0.00	\$5,905.32
Aug 2024	\$5,905.51	\$0.00	\$5,905.51
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$23,621.51</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$23,621.51</b>

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- 2.5 Discussion, consideration and approval of demolition of damaged ceiling grid of the sally port in the Ellis County Jail. Cost of demolition, lighting material and labor = \$44,640.00; paid out to Mint Exteriors, LLC from the Jail’s Budget, Jail Repair Line #001-0015-507020.
- 2.6 Discussion, consideration and approval to replace and repair the ceiling in the Briefing Room at the Ellis County Jail. Cost of repairs = \$21,300.00; paid out to Armstrong Commercial Construction, LLC from the Jail’s Budget, Jail Repair Line #001-0015-507020.
- 2.7 Discussion, consideration and approval to replace sprinkler heads at the Ellis County Jail. Cost of repairs = \$17,250.00; paid out to Five Star Fire Systems, Inc from the Jail’s Budget, Jail Repair Line #001-0015-507020.

**Administrative:**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Motion to Enter into a Public Hearing**

*Conduct a public hearing to discuss setting the mandatory payment rate for FY2022 (period of 10/1/21-9/30/22) applicable to Ellis County’s local provider participation program. The Ellis County Commissioners Court will hold the public hearing, pursuant to section Chapter 296A of the Texas Health & Safety Code, which authorized the creation of the Ellis County local provider participation program. Public hearing to discuss the amounts of any mandatory payments that the Commissioners Court intends to require during the year and how the revenue derived from those payments is to be spent.*

## Motion to Exit the Public Hearing

- 3.1 Discussion, consideration and approval to set mandatory payment rate for Ellis County's local provider participation program for Fiscal Year 2022 and how the revenue derived from those payments is to be spent. - *County Treasurer, Cheryl Chambers and Adelanto HealthCare Ventures, LLC*
- 3.2 Discussion, consideration and approval of a reclassification of the Assistant Auditor – Financial to Assistant Auditor – Internal Audit. No increase of money is requested. Request to be effective immediately. – *County Auditor, Janet Martin*
- 3.3 Discussion, consideration and action to retain Ross, Gannaway, Clifton for investigation and legal advice concerning a hostile work environment claim. - *Judge Pro Tem, Commissioner Lane Grayson*
- 3.4 Discussion, consideration and action to appoint a new Director of IT or an Interim Director of IT. *Judge Pro Tem, Commissioner Lane Grayson*
- 3.5 Discussion, consideration and approval of a renewed burn ban, contingent on any updated fire incident data during dry season – *County Fire Marshal, Tim Birdwell*

## **RECESS TO CONVENE TO 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 Local Texas Government Code §551.071 consultation with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation concerning a hostile work environment claim.
- 4.2 Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.074 to deliberate personnel matters including the naming of a new Director of IT or Interim Director of IT.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR MEETING

Signed this the 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022

  
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Todd Little, Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022 at 2:38 a.m./p.m.

  
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Krystal Valdez, County Clerk *Secretary*



- The Commissioners' Court reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.
- If you or your representative, have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please contact the County Judge's Office at (972) 825-5011 within 72 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.