

THE STATE OF TEXAS

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT

JULY TERM 2023

COUNTY OF MONTAGUE

REGULAR SESSION

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on **this** 24<sup>TH</sup> day of July, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. Commissioners Court of Montague County, Texas met at a regular meeting with the following present:

Kevin Benton	County Judge	Roy Darden	Commissioner Precinct 1
Mike Mayfield(Absent)	Commissioner Precinct 2	Mark Murphey	Commissioner Precinct 3
Bob Langford	Commissioner Precinct 4	Kim Jones	County Clerk

AUDIO

The meeting was called to order by Judge Kevin Benton.  
Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag was led by Judge Kevin Benton.

#23-156-PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one spoke

#23-157 -CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for the 07/10/23 Regular Meeting  
 MONTHLY REPORTS  
 PAY CLAIMS  
 APPROVAL OF PAYROLL  
 TREASURER’S MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to the Consent Agenda as presented.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

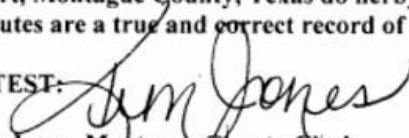
#23-158-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER UPPER TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT UPDATING THE COURT ON NEW STATE LAW THAT MAY REQUIRE CHANGES TO THE COUNTY SUBDIVISION RULES; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Doug Stone and Tracy Messler spoke on Senate Bill 2440 that changes the language of the bill from may to shall.

- (a) If a person submits a plat for the subdivision of a tract of land for which the source of the water supply intended for the subdivision is groundwater under that land, the commissioners court of a county by order shall (may) require the plat application to have attached to it a statement.

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[#23-159](#)-DISCUSS AND ELECTION JUDGES FOR COUNTY ELECTIONS FOR 2023-2024; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve Election Judges for County Elections for 2023-2024.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

[#23-160](#)-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PAYING JAMES LANE PLUMBING \$5,562.00 FROM ARPA, WITH AN INVOICE DUE OF \$2,781.00 FOR INSTALLING NEW CHECK VALVES AND REPLACING ISOLATION VALVE IN COURTHOUSE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve paying James Lane Plumbing \$5,562.00 from ARPA, with an invoice due of \$2,781.00 for installing new check valves and replacing isolation valve in Courthouse.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

[#23-161](#)-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PAYING JAMES LANE PLUMBING \$26,981.00 FROM ARPA, WITH AN INVOICE DUE OF \$13,490.50 FOR REPLACEMENT OF ALL PLUMBING FIXTURES IN THE COURTHOUSE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve paying James Lane Plumbing \$26,981.00 from ARPA, with an invoice due of \$13,490.50 for replacement of all plumbing fixtures in the Courthouse.

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Motion Carried

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#23-162-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING CENTURY WEATHERPROOFING TO REPAIR WEST END OF THE COURTHOUSE ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR AND PAY \$18,600.00 FROM CARES; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Century Weatherproofing to repair west end of the Courthouse on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and pay \$18,600.00 from CARES.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

#23-163-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PAYING HUTTO STONE SOLUTIONS \$2,000.00 FROM CARES FOR COST OVERRUN FOR COUNTERTOPS IN TAX ASSESSOR’S OFFICE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve paying Hutto Stone Solutions \$2,000.00 from CARES for cost overrun for countertops in Tax Assessor’s Office.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

23-164-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REIMBURSING CHARLEY LANIER \$1,082.50 FROM ARPA FUNDS FOR COST OF A METER LOOP POLE REQUIRED BY PENTEX ENERGY TO INITIATE ELECTRIC SERVICE TO THE NEW PCT. #1 LOT IN FORESTBURG TO PROVIDE ELECTRICITY TO THE NEW TOWER; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve reimbursing Charley Lanier \$1,082.50 from ARPA funds for cost of a meter loop pole required by Pentex Energy to initiate electric service to the new Pct. #1 lot in Forestburg to provide electricity to the new tower.

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Motion Carried

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23-165-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT, INTER-LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT, BETWEEN MONTAGUE COUNTY AND HELEN FARABEE CENTERS; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve the fiscal year 2024 Memorandum of Agreement, Inter-Local Government Agreement, between Montague County and Helen Farabee Centers with the amount being \$16,000.00, same as last year and give Judge Benton authorization to sign.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

23-166-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR E9-1-1 PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT SERVICES BETWEEN NORTEX REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION AND MONTAGUE COUNTY; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Darden to approve Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Services between Nortex Regional Planning Commission and Montague County and give Judge Benton authorization to sign.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

23-167-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER STORING GRAVEL ON STEVE KIRBY’S PROPERTY ON KIRBY ROAD IN PCT #3; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Langford to approve storing gravel on Steve Kirby’s property on Kirby Road in Pct #3.

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Motion Carried

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23-168-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PCT. #4 MAKING ADDITION TO MINUTES #22-270 THAT THE LAND REVERTS BACK TO LOTS 47 AND 48 BY CONFIRMING LOCATION OF CASINO ROAD WITH SURVEY THAT WAS ACCEPTED IN PREVIOUS COURT MINUTES FOR BUCK KECK LAKE VIEW SUBDIVISION UNIT #3 AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT OF RECORD IN R-213 AND R-46; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Pct #4 to make addition to Minutes #22-270 that the land reverts back to Lots 47 and 48 by confirming location of Casino Road with survey that was accepted in previous court minutes for Buck Keck Lake View Subdivision Unit #3 as shown on the plat of record in R-213 and R-46.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

23-169-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVING FINAL PLAT OF LOTS 1 THRU 8, BLOCK 1, BORDER STREET ESTATES SUBDIVISION, BEING 24.52 ACRES IN THE JOSEPH HODGES SURVEY A-356, IN PCT. #4; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve final plat of Lots 1 thru 8, Block 1, Border Street Estates Subdivision, being 24.52 acres in the Joseph Hodges Survey A-356, in Pct. #4.

All Voted For  
Motion Carried

23-170-BUDGET WORKSHOP

-Pct. #1, Commissioner Darden asked for \$400,000.00 to be put in Cash Reserves for next year.

Motion by Commissioner Darden and seconded by Commissioner Langford to put \$400,000.00 in Cash Reserves for Pct #1.

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Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned @ 10:09 a.m.

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