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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.

#23-201-PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one spoke.

#23-202 -CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for the 08/14/23 Regular Meeting & 08/18/23 Called Meeting MONTHLY REPORTS PAY CLAIMS APPROVAL OF PAYROLL TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Langford to approve the Consent Agenda as presented including late bill (District Court) with Noble Software Group for \$1341.06.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-203-BUDGET WORKSHOP

No Action Taken

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#23-204-ADOPT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Budget for Fiscal year 2023-2024.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-205-ADOPT TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to adopt tax rate .5017 per 100 evaluations with a 4.46% increase for Fiscal year 2023-2024

Commissioner Mayfield-For Commissioner Murphey-For Commissioner Langford-For Judge Benton-For

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-206-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUEST OF CODY BUSBY TO ACCEPT THE 2024-2025 BUDGET AND INFORM THE COURT OF OPEN MEETING DATE FOR BUDGET APPROVAL FOR THE MONTAGUE COUNTY ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Cody Busby from Adult Probation Department informed the Court the Open Meeting date to approve the 2024-2025 Budget for Montague County Adult Probation Department will be Tuesday, September 12,2023 at 8:45 a.m. in the District Courtroom.

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#23-207-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PAYING CHUCK HARRIS \$3,500.00 FROM CARES FOR FINAL BILL FOR COUNTERTOP INSTALLATION IN THE TAX ASSEROR'S OFFICE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve paying Chuck Harris \$3,500.00 from CARES for final bill for countertop installation in the Tax Assessor's Office.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-208-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SHERIFF AND CONSTABLE FEES; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve Sheriff and Constable fees with no changes.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-209-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL DMV FEES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Imposition of Optional DMV fees for calendar year 2024 with fees being County Road Bridge Fee not to exceed \$10.00 and go back into County Road Bridge Fund and the Child Safety Fee not to exceed \$1.50 and fee to go into programs for children (school crossing guards, child abuse prevention, etc.).

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#23-210-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER NOTICE OF NOVEMBER 7, 2023 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT AND JOINT ELECTION; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve Notice of November 7, 2023 Constitutional Election and Join Election and give Judge Benton authorization to sign.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-211-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER UPDATES TO THE MONTAGUE COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Langford to approve updates to Montague County Employee Handbook including Safety policies, Hazard Communication Policy, prohibited social media services and retiree's monthly payments.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-212-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ADOPTING THE MONTAGUE COUNTY PROHIBITED TECHNOLOGIES SECURITY POLICY; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve the Montague County Prohibited Technologies Security Policy which when into effect June 14, 2023 with SB 1893 banning Tik Tok and others from Government and State devices/networks.

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#23-213-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER HB 3834 CYBERSECURITY TRAINING CERTIFICATION FOR STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ONLINE COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR 2023; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve HB 3834 Cybersecurity Training Certificate for State and Local Governments online compliance report for 2023.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-214-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SHERIFF'S OFFICE TRANSFERRING 2018 CHEVROLET K1500 CREW CAB, FIXED ASSET NUMBER 4169, TO COURTHOUSE MAINTENANCE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Langford and seconded by Commissioner Murphey to approve Sheriff's Office transferring 2018 Chevrolet K1500 Crew Cab, fixed asset number 4169, to Courthouse Maintenance.

All Voted For Motion Carried

#23-215-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER STOCKPILING CHIP ROCK ON MARGIE MCCANDLESS PROPERTY ON REDBIRD LANE IN PCT #2; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Mayfield and seconded by Commissioner Langford to approve stockpiling chip rock on Margie McCandless property on Redbird Lane in Pct #2.

All Voted For Motion Carried

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#23-216-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PCT. #3 LINE-ITEM BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500.00 FROM GRAVEL TO PART-TIME; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve Pct. #3 line-item budget adjustment in the amount of \$4,500.00 from gravel to part-time.

All Voted For Motion Carried

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#23-217-DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PCT. #3 ENTERING TIM HALL AND BILL LEEMING PROPERTIES ON BOREN ROAD TO CLEAR DRAINAGE; TAKE NECESSARY ACTION

Motion by Commissioner Murphey and seconded by Commissioner Mayfield to approve Pct. #3 entering Tim Hall and Bill Leeming properties on Boren Road to clear drainage.

Meeting adjourned @ 9:30 a.m.

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