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VANESSA BURZYNSKI, COUNTY CLERK

THE STATE OF TEXAS ~ COUNTY OF GRIMES ~ BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 2nd
day of September 2020 at 9:00 a.m., a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court of
Grimes County, Texas was held with the following members present:

County Judge, Joe Fauth III
Present
Commissioner, Pct. #1, Chad Mallett
Not Present
Commissioner, Pct. #2, David E. Dobyanski
Present
Commissioner, Pct. #3, Barbara Walker
Present
Commissioner, Pct. #4, Phillip Cox
Present

COUNTY JUDGE – JOE FAUTH (NOT PRESENT)

1. Call to order.

Commissioner Barbara Walker called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. Public Comments

We look forward to hearing from the citizens of Grimes County. If you wish to share
any thoughts and/or concerns during the Public Comment portion of the Meeting, you
must sign-in with the County Clerk before the Meeting is called to order. Public
comments are limited to 2 minutes per person.

Commissioner David Dobyanski announced that St. Mary’s Catholic Church will hold their
annual bazaar on Sunday, September 6, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. with social distancing enforced.
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Items identified within the Consent Agenda are of a routine nature and will be passed with one vote without being discussed separately. If a member of the Court requests that a particular item be discussed, prior to the Meeting, the Agenda item will be pulled from the Consent Agenda and discussed as part of the regular agenda at the appropriate time. One vote will approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

3. Consider and take action to approve the Treasurer's List of Claims and Bills.

4. Consider and take action to approve payroll.

5. Approve monthly report submitted by the County Treasurer for July 2020 and authorize advertisement of affidavit of same, in accordance with local government code 114.026. (See Page 3 of this Agenda.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cox to approve consent agenda items 3, 4 and 5.
Seconded by: Commissioner Walker
Vote in Favor: 4 Vote Opposed: 0 MOTION PASSED

GRIMES COUNTY BUILDING MAINTENANCE MANAGER - AL PEELER

6. Update on on-going projects: Grimes County Courthouse, Grimes County Jail, Grimes County Justice Center.

Courthouse – The contactor has finished painting the elections office but found some “bubbles” in the paint so it will have to be repainted. Al Peeler held a project meeting with the construction engineer on Monday. It was found that the painters had painted over the plaster “dust” which caused the paint to “bubble”. The contractor is now working on painting the county judge’s office. A water leak was found on the third floor and that leak has been repaired.

Jail – There has been a “hodge podge” of problems encountered at the jail with the current HVAC systems but Al Peeler wanted to make it clear that these problems were not a result of work being done by the current contractor. The problems found were from work done by a previous contractor. The jail is having some humidity problems with the new HVAC Control System that was just installed and that those are being addressed.

Al Peeler also talked about several proposed change orders for the new building.

- Installing splash guards in all public offices. No cost was given.
- Installing UV lighting in each HVAC unit at a cost of about $26,000.
- Installing hand sanitizing and mask stations at a cost of $2,500 each.
- New Roadway Design for the entrance off Highway 90 at a cost of $27,450.

Al Peeler is waiting on the final approval of the land swap with Mr. Jim Westmoreland so the architect can start working on the road design. Then the Commissioners will need to approve the design and approve spending the money on the new roadway.
Commissioner Barbara Walker asked if these additional expenses would come out of the contingency fund and Al Peeler said “yes”. Al Peeler also indicated that if the county were to need some additional funding, they could possibly take money out of the office furniture allowance which is about $400,000.

GRIMES COUNTY ASSISTANT AUDITOR - MARY JOHNSON

7. Consider and approve the FY 2020-2021 C1 & C2 contracts for senior meals. (See Attachment #7.)

Mary Johnson presented the FY 2021-2021 C1 and C2 contracts for senior meals. Mary indicated that this is the exact same contract as last year. The charge to the county for meals per person is $6.54 each, which did not change from last year.

Motion by: Commissioner Cox to approve the FY 2020-2021 C1 and C2 contracts for senior meals with Commissioner Barbara Walker as signatory.
Seconded by: Commissioner Dobyanski
Vote in Favor: 4      Vote Opposed: 0      MOTION PASSED

GRIMES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - CHIEF TODD GREENE

8. Consider and take action to seek possible reimbursement for jail video cameras.

Todd Greene was not present. Jail Administrator Lt. Daniel Caswell was present in his place. An account has already been set up at the bank by the treasurer’s office. The county has already qualified for the grant from TCJS and this expense will be reimbursed by TCJS (Texas Commission on Jail Standards).

Motion by: Commissioner Mallet to seek possible reimbursement for jail video cameras.
Seconded by: Commissioner Dobyanski
Vote in Favor: 4      Vote Opposed: 0      MOTION PASSED

ROAD & BRIDGE ENGINEER - HARRY WALKER

ROAD AND BRIDGE REPORT IS ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

9. Consideration and possible approval of Change Order No. 2 for Champco on the FM 2445 barn project. (See Attachment #9.)

Harry Walker presented Change Order No. 2 from Champco for the FM 2445 barn project. Items being added include additional electrical work, a generator and transfer switch and added security lighting and additional electrical outlets. The Change order amount is $11,181.16.

Motion by: Commissioner Dobyanski to approve Change Order No. 2 for Champco on the FM 2445 barn project.
Seconded by: Commissioner Mallett
Vote in Favor: 4      Vote Opposed: 0      MOTION PASSED
10. Authorize Road & Bridge to go out for bids on the replacement of CR 323 bridge (EMP project).

EMP stands for “Equivalent Matching Project”. TXDOT has recommended that this project be accelerated.

Motion by: Commissioner Walker to go out for bids on the replacement of CR 323 bridge (EMP project).
Seconded by: Commissioner Dobyanski
Vote in Favor: 4 Vote Opposed: 0  MOTION PASSED

11. Consideration and possible approval of Change Order No. 1 for Glenn Fuqua, Inc. on CR 204 reconstruction project. (See Attachment #11.)

This change order is actually a refund in the form of a credit back to the county for $13,880.

Motion by: Commissioner Dobyanski to approve Change Order No. 1 for Glenn Fuqua, Inc. on CR 204 reconstruction project.
Seconded by: Commissioner Walker
Vote in Favor: 4 Vote Opposed: 0  MOTION PASSED

12. Take action to approve resolution authorizing Jim-Bob Trant as a signatory on the following GLO grant contracts:

1) GLO CDBG 2015 grant 18-403-000-B1 12
2) GLO CDBG 2016 grant 19-076-033-B868
3) GLO CDBG Hurricane Harvey grant 20-065-100-C273

The newly appointed treasurer Jim-Bob Trant will need to be added as a signer on all of the current GLO grants with the county.

Motion by: Commissioner Cox to approve a resolution authorizing Jim-Bob Trant as a signatory on all current GLO grant contracts.
Seconded by: Commissioner Mallett
Vote in Favor: 4 Vote Opposed: 0  MOTION PASSED

COUNTY JUDGE- JOE FAUTH III (COMMISSIONER BARBARA WALKER)

13. Review and approve proposed 2021 Holiday Schedule. (See Attachment #13.)

Commissioner Phillip Cox made a comment that he consulted several surrounding counties and that most other counties did not have as many holidays as Grimes County. He also made a recommendation to remove Confederate Heroes Day from the holiday schedule. Commissioner Chad Mallet asked about the possibility of changing the Christmas Holiday to Thursday instead of the following Monday. The other commissioners indicated that they preferred having the holiday on Monday as opposed to Thursday.
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Motion by: Commissioner Cox to approve the proposed 2021 Holiday Schedule as presented with the exception of removing Confederate Heroes Day.
Seconded by: Commissioner Mallett
Vote in Favor:    4    Vote Opposed:    0    MOTION PASSED

14. Discuss and take action on items related to the Coronavirus Relief Fund.

Assistant Auditor Mary Johnson had nothing new to report but she did indicate that she had received a request from another School District.

15. Consider and take action regarding the Burn Ban and authorize the County Judge as signatory.

NO ACTION TAKEN. BURN BAN REMAINS IN PLACE.


NO UPDATES AND NO ACTION TAKEN

17. Adjourn.

Motion by: Commissioner Dobyanski to adjourn.
Seconded by: Commissioner Walker
Vote in Favor:    4    Vote Opposed:    0    MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Barbara Walker adjourned the Meeting at 9:45 a.m.