PRESENT: David Dobyanski, Barbara Walker, Joe Fauth III, Chad Mallett, Phillip Cox

1. Call to Order.

   Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Judge Joe Fauth III

2. Invocation

   Invocation was given by Cody Sechelski.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.

4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

5. Public Comments.

   - Judge Joe Fauth III - Polls are open for early voting. Polls are open 8-5 every day. Election day is next Tuesday May 24th. 7am - 7pm. Thanked Barbara Walker for standing in for him at the last meeting while he was in Galveston for a Probate conference. Also thanked Barbara Walker for heading up the Stoneham project.

   - Barbara Walker - Wednesday, May 25th everyone is invited to attend a meeting hosted by BVCOG strategic plan for Grimes County here in Anderson at 3 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

7. Consider and take action to approve payroll.

   Moved by Barbara Walker; seconded by David Dobyanski to Approve Consent agenda items. Motion Passed: 5 – 0
GRIMES COUNTY ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR - LUCY YBARRA

8. Review and take action to canvass the official returns for the Special & General Election held on Saturday, May 7, 2022.

Lucy Ybarra handed out the election results to the commissioners court, county clerk and county attorney. Special and General Election to canvass the Special election. Asking to canvass both elections as a whole. Turnout was 1,909 voters. Hosted elections for Iola ISD, Anderson-Shiro ISD, City of Navasota, City of Bedias, City of Todd Mission,

Moved by Joe Fauth III; seconded by Barbara Walker to Approve the canvass as presented by the Elections Administrator for the May 7, 2022, elections. **Motion Passed: 5 - 0**

GRIMES COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR - TALITTA COLEMAN

9. Consider and take action to restructure County Court at Law department, adjusting employee salaries and Grimes County Salary Structure accordingly.

Moved by Phillip Cox; seconded by Chad Mallett to Approve restructure County Court at Law department, adjusting employee salaries and Grimes County Salary Structure accordingly effective October 1, 2022. **Motion Passed: 5 - 0**

NAVASOTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR - JOHNNY MCNALLY


Business statement economic development was a positive meeting with the City of Navasota and Navasota ISD. Navasota LP gas celebrating 75 years, Martin Luther King Day parade, City manager Todd Mission to bring in natural gas lines to the Renaissance Festival. Also, could tie into the new subdivision in Plantersville. Coming out of Waller County. Awards Banquet in March. 2 days Training classes in the Woodlands. Wine Walk in April. 700 attendees. Very good event. 8 wineries 18 businesses participated. One of the department stores doubled their sales for that day. Jim Beard memorial scholarship will be awarded at Iola ISD tomorrow. Launched a new website a few months ago. Members can update their own information. Membership exceeds 300. Looking forward to summer visits with Members like Blinn College. Lots of job openings in the industrial park. Board retreat coming up. Business Expo, Golf Tournament, Red Wheat, and Blues Festival. Utilize some billboards coming into Navasota (4 billboards). Paper and paste. One will be shared with the City of Navasota and Chamber of Commerce. New businesses wanting to come to Grimes County. 105 @ Hwy 6 Jack in the Box and Chicken Express. Three others are rumored. New hotel coming. New homes being built. Mixers and ribbon cuttings and lunch and learn for nonprofits for Brazos Valley. June 8th PA Smith Hotel Coffee, Southern Charm Botique After Hours Mixer. Need for COVID testing has dropped so no longer testing. Tests have run out.
11. Update on the progress of the proposed 381 Agreement between Grimes County and Skyline Champion.

It has been months in the works to get this agreement signed and fully executed. Discussions were held. The 381 Agreement that the court approved was approved by Skyline Champion. Should have the agreement for the court's signature soon. This is an important legal document, and Mr. McNally stated that he was pleased that Skyline Champion was in agreement. He wished them all the best. They are having trouble finding people to hire. Need some basic OSHA training.

Barbara Walker thanked the committee that met to review this agreement.

GRIMES COUNTY JUDGE - JOE FAUTH III, and JONNY SEXTON

12. Discuss and review need for increased law enforcement within Grimes County and options to meet this need.

Mr. Sexton was not present. Item was tabled.

GRIMES COUNTY BUILDING MAINTENANCE MANAGER - RODNEY FLOYD

13. Update on on-going projects: Grimes County Jail and Grimes County Justice Center.


Judge Joe Fauth requested a completion date for storage building. District Clerk has shelves in 3 different places. Asked her if she needs the shelves out of the Annex. Asked county clerk if she could use those shelves and the answer was no. Those shelves are for paper files and she needs shelves for books.

GRIMES COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR - TALITTA COLEMAN

14. Consider and take action to restructure various personnel in the Grimes County Sheriff’s office, adjusting employee salaries and Grimes County Salary Structure accordingly.

Postponed until budget hearing.

15. Consider and take action to create a new position and to restructure multiple personnel within the Road & Bridge department, adjusting employee salaries and Grimes County Salary Structure accordingly.
Joe Fauth asked that this be placed on a special agenda for next week’s meeting prior to the ARPA workshop. Does the auditor’s office have time to get the salary figures? Auditor’s Office confirmed they will have time to obtain the salary figures for the following week.

Talitta Coleman requested that the court approve the revised 2 job descriptions for Administrative Assistant from Grade 5 to a Grade 8 and Executive Assistant from a Grade 8 to Paraprofessional 1 to be effective immediately. Both positions are within the current salary range. No budgetary changes here. Just changing their job descriptions at this time and restructure the department.

Moved by Joe Fauth III; seconded by Barbara Walker to Approve Moving the grade 5 position to a grade 8 and the executive assistant to a Paraprofessional with the understanding that there will be no salary adjustments. 
Motion Passed: 5 – 0

GRIMES COUNTY 911 ADDRESSING/ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR - KAT LEE

16. Consider and approve the contract for reverse 911 services with Hyper-Reach and authorize the County Judge as signatory.

This is the same agreement we have had since 2018. Very happy with them. Adding features $6,200 per year. Hyper-Reach sends out emergency notifications to the public as well as severe weather notifications. This is a free service to the community. Residents can sign up on the Grimes County Website. Kat Lee stated that if you have a landline, you will be automatically notified but if you want to register your cell phone number you can get emails, text message and/or a phone call.

Joe Fauth asked if the IT Dept. can add all of the county phones. Joe Fauth asked Kat Lee to coordinate with Gregg Cannon to get all of the county cell phone numbers added to the network.

Moved by Chad Mallett; seconded by David Dobyanski to approve the contract for reverse 911 services with Hyper-Reach and authorize the County Judge as signatory. Motion Passed: 5 - 0

GRIMES COUNTY IT DIRECTOR - GREGG CANNON

17. Consider and take action to approve the installation of wireless capabilities for the Grimes County Fairgrounds, including the Go Texan, Expo and Lions buildings.

Joe Fauth stated that this item was tabled last time. He wants to get a yes or no fairly quickly because the County Fair is opening up soon. “I want to have this service available.” We can talk about using ARPA money in the workshop, which is going to be on Wednesday, May 24th.
Barbara Walker’s concern is we have no numbers besides that one quote we saw. ARPA says we need to go out for proposals. Does the installation of wireless system still have to follow the guidelines for procurement? We need to get some more numbers.

Jessi Murphy stated that once this project is approved, we can move forward with the Procurement. If we can get 2 bids that would be better. It’s a small amount. $6,400. Everything has been classified as lost revenue.

Joe Fauth asked Rodney Floyd to get some additional bids. Item was tabled.

18. Discuss and take action to approve TAC Cyber Security training for all County employees for 2022 - a requirement for grant qualification.

Everyone got a notification via email to complete the cybersecurity training for all employees that use county computers. We will get a report of who has completed the training and who has not. If we are not in compliance, we can be denied grants. Deadline is August 31, 2022. Super easy. Just a few clicks. Provided free through TAC.

Moved by Barbara Walker; seconded by David Dobyanski to approve TAC Cyber Security training for all County employees for 2022 - a requirement for grant qualification. Motion Passed: 5 - 0

GRIMES COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2 - DAVID DOBYANSKI

19. Discuss and approve lowering speed limit in Rolling Oaks Subdivision from 35 to 30 miles per hour.

David Dobyanski stated that several weeks ago he received a phone call from a resident in Rolling Oaks Subdivision asking to have the speed limit lowered from 35 mph to 30 mph.

President Rolling Oaks Subdivision Janice Rogers was present and gave a presentation. (see attached).

Rolling Oaks Subdivision is 500 acres with 86 tracts of land and can only access subdivision from Montgomery County. There is no access from Grimes County. Askew Road provides primary access to the Subdivision. Montgomery County Road and Bridge put 25 mph signs on Grimes County portion of the road. Very limited speed limit signs. One sign says 35 mph.

Janice Rogers stated that she was contacted by a Landowner who argued that 35 mph speed limit on a road with a 25 mph speed limit is not logical. Contacted Road and Bridge that told her that they can put up any sign as long as it was approved in commissioners court. She was also told that all subdivision roads should be 25 mph. Texas Transportation Code states that municipalities can set their own speed limit. Subdivision is not a municipality. As a compromise the board has requested that the speed limit to be set at 30 mph. Aggravated
property owners does not want it to change. Based on the review of the code the board is requesting to set the speed limit posted at 30 mph.

County Attorney Jon C Fultz stated that the commissioners court can determine to reduce the speed to 30 mph if it feels that the current speed is unsafe. Commissioners Court should consider all circumstances on the condition of the road, amount of traffic, width, etc. Texas Transportation Code 251.154 establishing speeds on County roads. Commissioners Court must hold a public hearing and publish a notice to notify residents. If you want to make this change you should provide this notice.

Janice Rogers stated that she sent an email out to all property owners with a link to the Grimes County website to notify them that this would be on the agenda today. A Board meeting was held on Sunday. One resident attended that was opposed to the change. Janice Rogers also stated that the roads in dispute are in Grimes County. Trying to avoid a lawsuit against the Homeowners Association if they do not reduce the speed limit.

Properties in Rolling Oaks Subdivision
12 in Montgomery County
74 in Grimes County

Moved by David Dobyanski to lower the speed limit to 35 mph. Motion Failed due to Lack of a Second.

GRIMES COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE ENGINEER - HARRY WALKER

20. Consider and possible approval of the replat of Glen Forest Subdivision, Block 1, Lot 6 in the A.U. Springer Survey A404, Vol. 1034, Pg. 531 GCPR.

Harry Walker recommend the court approve this plat. This is in Precinct 2 off of CR 302.

Moved by David Dobyanski; seconded by Phillip Cox to Approve the replat of Glen Forest Subdivision, Block 1, Lot 6 in the A.U. Springer Survey A404, Vol. 1034, Pg. 531 GCPR. Motion Passed: 5 - 0

21. Consideration and possible acceptance of the roads in King Oaks, Section 1-A, into the County maintenance system.

During his annual road inventory, it came to light that King Oaks Section 1A road (400 feet long) was never approved for maintenance even though the county has been maintaining it for 15 years. When those roads came up for approval the court thought they were including all the roads.

Moved by Chad Mallett; seconded by David Dobyanski to accept the roads in King Oaks, Section 1-A, into the County maintenance system. Motion Passed: 5 - 0
22. Consideration and possible approval of an amending plat of the replat of Granite Ridge Ranch Estates, Section 1, Lots 3-A and 3-B.

19-acre tract divided into a 10.5 acre tract and 8.5 acre tract. According to the deed restrictions for the subdivision, no parcel can be less than 9.5 acres. The surveyor proposed to clean up the lines to meet the property association criteria.

Moved by David Dobyanski; seconded by Chad Mallett to approve amending plat of the replat of Granite Ridge Ranch Estates, Section 1, Lots 3-A and 3-B.

Motion Passed: 5 - 0

GRIMES COUNTY ATTORNEY - JON C. FULTZ

23. Consider and take action to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of College Station to grant Grimes County exclusive jurisdiction to regulate subdivision plats and approve related permits within the City’s extraterritorial jurisdiction pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §242.001.

City of College Station realized that their ETJ has sprawled into Grimes County to discuss putting in place an interlocal agreement for subdivision regulations applications. ETJ is decided by the population of the city or town. Legal department, road and bridge have looked at it. The City of College Station does not want to be responsible for regulating subdivisions in Grimes County. Jon C. Fultz stated that the county has an interlocal agreement with the City of Navasota and he would hope to have one with the other cities and towns within the county. The ETJ is dependent on the population. The College Station ETJ extends out 5 miles from the city limits. Navasota ETJ is 1 mile.

Moved by Chad Mallett; seconded by David Dobyanski to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of College Station to grant Grimes County exclusive jurisdiction to regulate subdivision plats and approve related permits within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §242.001. Motion Passed: 5 - 0

GRIMES COUNTY JUDGE - JOE FAUTH III

24. Discuss and take action to establish Courthouse Security and Courtroom protocol.

Moved by Joe Fauth III; seconded by David Dobyanski to approve the draft of the Courthouse Security and Courtroom protocol as presented and by adding the word Judicial in front of “Courthouse Security and Courtroom Protocol” and adding signature lines for each judge and to include the approval date.

Motion Passed: 5 - 0

25. Consider and take action to approve proposed ARPA expenditures.

Jessi Murphy stated that IT department had asked to hire additional help using ARPA grant funds but no discussion was held about overtime. Will overtime be covered by IT budget or ARPA funds?
Gregg Cannon stated that he does not anticipate much overtime but has had some outages after hours. Just a guess we never know. Probably less than 40 hours for the remainder of the year. We can put a "not to exceed amount" in that line item. One employee at $19 per hour at 40 hours would be about $1,500.

Tabled for next workshop.

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

No action taken.

27. Receive any updates on the Strategic Plan.

Phillip Cox stated that major improvements have been made to county facilities. He asked Mr. Floyd to provide additional information. Renovations have been completed at the Grimes County Fairgrounds. To fulfill the fair association contract obligations a 10,000 square foot parking lot valued at $17,000 was installed at the Fairgrounds.

28. Adjourn.

Moved by David Dobyanski; seconded by Barbara Walker to Adjourn.
Motion Passed: 5 - 0

Meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF GRIMES

I, Vanessa Burzynski, Grimes County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court authorized proceedings for May 18, 2022.

Vanessa Burzynski, Grimes County Clerk
Clerk of the Commissioners Court
Grimes County, Texas