**COMMISSIONER COURT MINUTES**

 **DECEMBER 11, 2023**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE HONORABLE COURT MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON MONDAY, ON DECEMBER 11, 2023, 9:00A.M. AND THAT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS WAS HAD TO WIT:**

1.0 THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE JUDGE ADAM ENSEY AND PASTOR DICK GRAVELY GAVE THE INVOCATION AND COMMISSIONER NEELY GAVE THE PLEDGE OF ALLIGANECE

2.0 COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE COMMISSIONER COURT MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 13, 2023, COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT WAS CARRIED BY 4 AYES

3.0 COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE MOTION TO FILING A PLAT FOR A SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 4, COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

4.0 COMMISIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE DONATION OF THE PROPERTY FROM THE TREASURER CHEST, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT WAS CARRIED BY 4 AYES

5.0 JUDGE ENSEY MADE THE MOTION TO APPOINT HIMSELF AND COMMISSIONER NEELY TO A TRANSITIONAL COMMITY FOR THE CLAUDE FIRE DEPARTMENT RE-STRUTCHING PLAN, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 5 AYES

6.0 COMMISSIONER CORNELL MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE ACCOUNTS ALLOWED (LGC 114.061), COMMISSIONER HARRIS SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

7.1 – 7.8 COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE ALL OFFICIAL FEE REPORTS (LGC 154.061), COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

8.0 COMMISSIONER CORNELL MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY, EXCEPT THE TEXAS PLAINS TRAIL REGION FOR $250.00, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

9.0 COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE APPROVE 5 BUDGET AMENDMENTS, COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

10.0 NO ACTION- RATIFYING BUDGETS AMENDMENTS

11.0 COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO MAKE THE 2024 BUDGET LINE CORRECTIONS, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

12.0 JUDGE ENSEY MADE THE MOTION TO REVERSING BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR VEHICLE REPAIRS, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 5 AYES

13.0 COMMISSIONER NEELY MADE THE MOTION TO APPLY FOR SENTATE BILL 22 GRANT (OPEN ENROLLMENT BEGINS JANUARY 1), COMMISSIONER HARRIS SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

14.0 COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE MOTION TO CONSIDER THE JAIL CONTRACTS WITH CARSON COUNTY AND POTTER COUNTY, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

15.0 COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE MOTION CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH A&S TOWING, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 3 AYES, COMMISSIONER SMITH OBSTAINS AND IS NOT PRESENT

16.0 COMMISSIONER NEELY MADE THE MOTION TO PURCHASE TIRES FOR PRECINCT 2 MOTOR GRADER OUT OF ALL PRECINCTS BUDGET LINE ITEM, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

17.0 COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO SET THE 2024 COUNTY COMMISSIONERS’ COURT REGULAR TERM, COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES, WITH ADJUSTMENT TO NOVEMBER 11TH TO NOVEMBER 12, 2024

18.0 JUDGE ENSEY MADE THE MOTION TO APPOINT TAD FOWLER AS A REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE PANHANDLE AREA PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 5 AYES

19.0 DISCUSSION ONLY- COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO PASS -NO ACTION ALLOWING COUNTY JUDGE ENSEY TO SIGN THE CONTRACT WITH POTTER COUNTY PABTU, COMMISSIONER NEELY SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

20.0 COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE OFFICIAL OATH AND BOND FOR JUDGE ENSEY- COUNTY JUDGE, TAWNEE BLODGETT- COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK, SUSAN OVERCAST MCGRATH- TREASURER, SHERIFF MELISSA ANDERSON, JAMIE CRAIG TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR, COMMISSIONER JOE NEELY, COMMISSIONER JOE NEELY, COMMISSIONER CLINT CORNELL, LAUREL SHORT- DEPUTY DISTRICT CLERK, TAMARA FROGGATT (ELECTION ADMIN), DEPUTY AARON GRAHAM, DEPUTY SCOTT L CAMPBELL, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

EXCEPT TABITH KLARICH

21.0 COMMISSIONER NEELY MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE PRECINCT 1 ROAD CROSSING PERMIT, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

22.0 FILE CONTINING EDUCATION CERTIFICATES- TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR JAMIE CRAIG AND ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR TAMARA FROGGATT

23.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS- CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 18, 2023 @ NOON IN THE COURTHOUSE

SUPPLEMENT:

1. COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE THE MOTION TO ACCEPT THE ELECTION SERVICE CONTRACT WITH THE DEMOCRAT PARTY, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

24.0 COMMISSIONER SMITH MADE THE MOTION TO ADJOURN, COMMISSIONER CORNELL SECOND THE MOTION AND IT CARRIED WITH 4 AYES

**THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES OF THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED ON THE 8TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024**

**ATTEST:**

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**TAWNEE BLODGETT, COUNTY CLERK ADAM ENSEY, COUNTY JUDGE**