

THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF ARCHER COUNTY, TEXAS

met in Regular Session on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Those present:

Randall C. Jackson		County Judge
Wade Scarbrough		Commissioner Prec. 1
Darin Wolf	Via Telephone	Commissioner Prec. 2
Pat Martin, III		Commissioner Prec. 3
Todd Herring		Commissioner Prec. 4
Karren Winter		County Clerk

Patricia Vieth		Treasurer
Scott Hamel		Chief Deputy Sheriff
Jack Curd	Via Telephone	Sheriff
Paul O. Wylie, Jr.		Auditor
Joshua Smartt		Extension Office
Dawn Vieth		Tax Assessor/ Collector
Nita Lewis		Court Coordinator
Brett Hoff		Constable Prec. 4
Lori Rutledge		District Clerk

Public in attendance:

Mitch Kiff with Sen. Drew Springer District 30 Office
 Linda Lam and Vernon Geis with Archer M.U.D.
 Greg Vieth, Mayor, City of Windthorst
 Teresa Veitenheimer and Tom Hoff with Windthorst Water Supply Corporation
 Nathan Lawson with Archer County News
 Brad Litteken with Proven Surveying
 Stan Mountain with Stan Mountain Construction

CALL TO ORDER:

Greeting, Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags
 Registration of Attendees by the County Court Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Randall C. Jackson, and a quorum was noted.

B. Approve Final Agenda.

No Items were struck from the Action Agenda due to no action being required.

ORDER TO APPROVE FINAL AGENDA

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Pat Martin, III to approve the Final Agenda. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS, MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS OR PRESENTATIONS AGENDA:

Randall C. Jackson discussed two members of the Court out with Covid. Dr. Purdy had given guidelines for Covid protocol. Jackson reported that vaccines are readily available for anyone needing one. Commissioners' Court will start being held in the 97th District Courtroom until future notice. Patricia Vieth requested if any employees have Covid, the Department Head needs to notify her office.

D. ACTION AGENDA:

1. Approve departmental reports.

ORDER TO APPROVE REPORTS

The motion was made by Todd Herring and seconded by Pat Martin, III to approve departmental reports: **Treasurer; Indigent Health.** Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

2. Approve vouchers for payment.

ORDER TO APPROVE VOUCHERS

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to approve vouchers for payment. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

3. Approve line item transfers.

ORDER TO APPROVE TRANSFERS

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Todd Herring to approve line item transfers. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

4. Approve Education Certificates.

ORDER TO APPROVE CERTIFICATES

The motion was made by Randall C. Jackson and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to approve Education Certificates: **Christie Mooney**. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

5. Approve Publisher's Certificates.

ORDER TO APPROVE CERTIFICATES

The motion was made by Todd Herring and seconded by Pat Martin, III to approve Publisher's Certificates. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

6. Approve Minutes from previous month – July, 2021

ORDER TO APPROVE MINUTES

The motion was made by Todd Herring and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to approve minutes from July, 2021. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

7. Discuss and/or take action on Plat for *Little Davidson Addition* – owner Debra West. Brad Litteken discussed plat for Little Davidson Addition.

ORDER TO APPROVE PLAT

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Todd Herring to approve Plat for Little Davidson Addition. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

8. Discuss and/or take action on *Request for County Feral Hog Grant*. **Joshua Smartt discussed County Feral Hog Grant. Randall C. Jackson discussed many different ways hogs could be hunted. Todd Herring discussed that 15 grants would be distributed from the \$100,000.00 grant. Smartt explained the Extension Service would have to do survey to determine number of hogs.**

ORDER TO APPLY FOR GRANT

The motion was made by Todd Herring and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to approve for County Feral Hog Grant. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

9. Discuss and/or take action on vehicle Trade-in/Lease for Constable Pct. 4. Brett Hoff discussed trade-in for lease on 2021 Tahoe with equipment.

ORDER TO APPROVE LEASE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to approve vehicle lease for four-year lease with trade-in of 2017 Chevrolet Tahoe for Constable Precinct 4. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

10. Discuss and/or take action on Archer County property used by Bowman VFD. **Randall C. Jackson discussed property where the Bowman VFD was located and the old Bowman School building.**

ORDER TO TABLE APPROVE

The motion was made by Randall C. Jackson and seconded by Todd Herring to table action on property used by Bowman VFD until more information can be reviewed.
Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

11. Discuss and/or take action on delivery of the Asphalt Zipper. **Wade Scarbrough discussed ship date of August 16 - 17, 2021. Scarbrough reported that a training date would need to be set within two weeks of delivery.**

ORDER TO TABLE APPROVING DATE OF DELIVERY

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Randall C. Jackson to table approving date of delivery for the Asphalt Zipper. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

12. Discuss and/or take action on Financial Assistance for Windthorst Water Supply Corporation with ARP Funds. **Randall C. Jackson discussed a workshop presented by ARP for guidelines. Teresa Veitenheimer and Tom Hoff discussed the purchase of a new generator for Windthorst Water Supply Corporation. Veitenheimer reported that the generator and installation could cost up to \$105,000.00.**
13. Discuss and/or take action on Financial Assistance for Archer M.U.D. with ARP Funds. **Linda Lam and Vernon Geis discussed two new backup generators and a transfer switch for Archer M.U.D. Geis reported they had received a bid in the amount of \$78,750.00 to acquire the new equipment.**
14. Discuss and/or take action on Financial Assistance for City of Windthorst Sewer Infrastructure Project with ARP Funds. **Greg Vieth discussed that the City of Windthorst had started a Sewer Infrastructure Project that included 28 new lift stations, with the cost of \$250,000.00 or more.**

ORDER TO TABLE APPROVING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to table approving financial Assistance for Windthorst Water Supply Corporation, Archer M.U.D. and City of Windthorst Sewer Infrastructure Project with ARP Funds until the Court has an opportunity to participate in a webinar scheduled for August 11, 2021 concerning ARP Funding and how the funds can be used. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

15. Discuss and/or take action on Budget Items for Fiscal Year 2022. **Paul O. Wylie, Jr. discussed the proposed budget that has been filed in the County Clerk's office. No action taken.**
16. Consider and/or take action to *Propose Elected Officials' Salaries.*

ORDER TO APPROVE SALARIES

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Darin Wolf to approve Elected Officials' salaries. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

17. Consider and/or take action to *Propose the Tax Rate for FYE September 30, 2022.*

ORDER TO PROPOSE TAX RATE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Todd Herring to propose the Tax Rate for FYE September 30, 2022 as 0.64154. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

18. Consider and/or take action to set date and time for *Public Hearing on Tax Rate and Operating Budget for October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 Fiscal Year.*

ORDER TO SET DATE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Todd Herring to set Monday, August 23, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. as the date for Public Hearing on Tax Rate and Operating Budget for October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

Having no further business to consider, the Court adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

I, Karren Winter, County Clerk of Archer County, and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, Archer County, Texas do hereby certify that the foregoing Commissioners Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings.

ATTEST: *Karren Winter*

Karren Winter, Archer County Clerk