

THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF ARCHER COUNTY, TEXAS

met in Special Session on Thursday, August 4, 2022 at 2:00 P.M.

Those present:

Randall C. Jackson		County Judge
Wade Scarbrough		Commissioner Prec. 1
Darin Wolf		Commissioner Prec. 2
Pat Martin, III		Commissioner Prec. 3
Todd Herring		Commissioner Prec. 4
Karren Winter	Absent	County Clerk
Karen Aulds		Chief Deputy County Clerk

Jack Curd		Sheriff
Paul O. Wylie, Jr.		Auditor
Patricia Vieth		Treasurer
Conner Deen		Intern
David Levy		County Attorney
Brett Hoff		Constable Prec. 4

Public in attendance:

No Public in attendance.

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 Randy Jackson, and a quorum was noted.

B. Approve Final Agenda:

No items were removed from the agenda.

ORDER TO APPROVE FINAL AGENDA

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

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

No comments received by the Court.

D. ACTION AGENDA:

Court went into Executive Session before item #1.

1. Discuss and/or take action on Budget Items.

Items discussed:

Randy Jackson led budget discussions.

- a. Fuel cost for Archer County Sheriff's Office of \$100,000.00 for excessive fuel costs.

ORDER TO APPROVE FUEL COSTS

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Todd Herring to approve increase fuel emergency fund for fuel & oil budget for 2023 of \$100,000.00. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- b. Cost of living increase of \$3,000.00 per County Employee and 6% increase for parttime employees.

ORDER TO APPROVE COST OF LIVING INCREASE

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Todd Herring to approve a cost of living increase of \$3,000.00 per County Employee and 6% increase for parttime employees. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

c. Patricia Vieth and Paul O. Wylie, Jr. discussed retirement stipend. No action taken.

d. Commissioner Precinct auto allowance increase of \$2,000.00.

ORDER TO INCREASE AUTO ALLOWANCE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Darin Wolf to approve increase commissioner precinct auto allowance to \$12,000.00 per year. Voting yes 1-2-3-4 No Judge

e. Cell phone allowance for commissioner precinct road hands \$600.00 per year.

ORDER TO APPROVE CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE

The motion was made by Randy Jackson and seconded by Todd Herring to approve \$600.00 per year for commissioner precinct road hands each. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

f. Constable budgets:

- a. Precinct 1 \$25,488.00 salary plus 6% raise for FY 2023
- b. Precinct 2 \$20,000.00 salary no raise
- c. Precinct 3 \$20,000.00 salary no raise
- d. Precinct 4 \$32,686.00 salary plus 6% raise for FY 2023

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III, Darin Wolf asked for discussion to clarify no raise just flat salary. Brett Hoff questioned reducing his salary by \$10,000.00, he has worked for 14 years and now cutting his salary. **No second, motion dies.**

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Randy Jackson to approve base salary plus 6% increase for precinct 1 & 4. Voting yes 1-Judge; No 2-3-4 **Motion dies.**

ORDER TO SET CONSTABLE SALARIES

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Darin Wolf to set Constable salaries as follows:

- a. Precinct 1 \$25,488.00 salary plus 6% raise for FY 2023
- b. Precinct 2 \$20,000.00 salary no raise
- c. Precinct 3 \$20,000.00 salary no raise
- d. Precinct 4 \$32,686.00 salary no raise

Voting yes 1-2-3-Judge; No 4

g. Ag Extension Office part time position salary of \$15,000.00 No **motion made.**

h. Veterans Service Officer contract salary

ORDER TO INCREASE SALARY

The motion was made by Randy Jackson and seconded by Todd Herring to increase Veterans Service Officer contract salary to \$8,400.00 per year which will be \$700.00 per month. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

i. Randy Jackson and Paul Wylie, Jr. discussed health care stipend increase from \$6,731.00 to \$8,165.00.

Motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Randy Jackson to increase health care stipend from \$6,731.00 to \$8,165.00. Voting yes 1-Judge; No 2-3-4 **Motion failed.**

j. Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 salary increase of \$13,000.00 (current salary is \$22,260.00). **Dies for lack of a motion.**

- k. Sheriff requested a \$10,000.00 salary increase, 10% for Sheriff and 8% for Sheriff employees. Dies for lack of a motion.

ORDER TO NOT CONSIDER SALARY INCREASE

The motion was made by Darin Wolf and seconded by Randy Jackson to not consider 10% salary increase and to keep salary same as all Elected Officials. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

ORDER TO APPROVE SHERIFF OFFICE EMPLOYEES SALARIES

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Darin Wolf to give Sheriff's Office Employees the same raise as the rest of the County Employees. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- l. Jack Curd discussed part time staff salary budget increase from \$80,000.00 to \$140,000.00.

ORDER TO APPROVE SHERIFF'S PART TIME STAFF BUDGET INCREASE

The motion was made by Pat Martin, III and seconded by Darin Wolf to increase Sheriff's Office part time staff salary increase from \$80,000.00 to \$140,000.00. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- m. County Attorney Part time salary allowance for Intern Conner Deen.

ORDER TO APPROVE PART TIME SALARY ALLOWANCE

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Randy Jackson to approve part time salary allowance for Intern Conner Deen in the amount of \$15,000.00. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- n. Grant writer stipend for Patricia Vieth as our County Treasurer.

ORDER TO APPROVE STIPENED

The motion was made by Randy Jackson and seconded by Wade Scarbrough to give Patricia Vieth a \$10,000.00 stipend for grant writing as County Treasurer. Voting yes 1-4-Judge; No 2-3

- o. Padded Cell for Archer County Law Enforcement Building. Randy Jackson requested this be considered in next year's budget and a possible grant for next year.
- p. Volunteer Fire Departments supplement from \$7,500.00 to \$10,000.00 per department.

ORDER TO APPROVE SUPPLEMENT INCREASE

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Todd Herring to increase Volunteer Fire Departments supplements from \$7,000.00 to \$10,000.00 per department. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- q. Archer City Ambulance to consider areas within Archer County that is outside of any city limits, \$3,291.00 per month split three ways: \$1,250.00 Archer City, \$1208.00 AMR and \$833.00 TranStar.

ORDER TO KEEP SUPPLEMENT SAME

The motion was made by Randy Jackson and seconded by Darin Wolf to keep the ambulance supplement same as currently paying. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

- r. 97th District Attorney request for Cell phone software with a budget increase of \$8,500.00. **No motion made. No action taken.**
- s. Commissioner precincts road funds maintenance:
 - Precinct 1 22%
 - Precinct 2 26%
 - Precinct 3 26%

Precinct 4 26%

Wade Scarbrough suggested to leave as is. David Levy is to check on the legality and write an agreement. No change, leave as is.

Wade Scarbrough asked Paul O. Wylie, Jr. where are they with all the changes just made to the budget. Paul O. Wylie, Jr. reviewed overhead.

ORDER TO CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made by Randy Jackson and seconded by Pat Martin, III to convene into Executive Session. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

Executive Session convened at 2:16 p.m.

Executive Session adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

ORDER TO ADJOURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

The motion was made by Wade Scarbrough and seconded by Darin Wolf to adjourn from Executive Session. Voting yes 1-2-3-4-Judge

Having no further business to consider, the Court adjourned at 4:46 p.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