

## REGULAR MEEETING AUGUST 14, 2017

Be it remembered on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2017 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., there was Begun and Holden a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court in the Courthouse, in the town of Farwell, with the following members present, To-wit:

Kirk Frye	Commissioner Pct. #1
Steve Cockerham	Commissioner Pct. #2
Kenny White	Commissioner Pct. #3
Lloyd Bradshaw	Commissioner Pct. #4
Trey Ellis	Judge
Gerri Bowers	County Clerk

When the following was had and done, To-wit:

### **Call to Order**

1. Prayer

Judge Ellis led the Court in prayer to begin the Meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag

The Court pledged their allegiance to the flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

3. Update on Watershed Structures – Earl Behrends

Mr. Behrends reported on the watersheds and informed the court that this was a five year inspection report.

4. Consider the Proposed 2018 Parmer County Budget

Motion by Frye, seconded by White to approve the proposed budget for 2018. Motion carried.

5. Consider the Proposed 2017 Parmer County Tax Rate – Jill Timms

Motion by White, seconded by Cockerham to approve the proposed 2017 effective tax rate at .5781. Motion carried. See attached.

6. Read and approve Minutes with noted corrections from Previous Meeting

Motion by Bradshaw, seconded by Cockerham to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Frye, seconded by Bradshaw to approve the special meeting minutes from July 27, 2017. Motion carried.

7. Consider Approval and Payment of Accounts Payable – Larry Johnston

Motion by Frye, seconded by Cockerham to approve the payment of Bills/Accounts as presented by Mr. Johnston. Motion Carried.

14. Consider Engaging Allison, Bass & Magee, L.L.P. to Represent the County in Consolidating the Justice of the Peace Precincts

Motion by Judge Ellis, seconded by Bradshaw to engage the above mentioned law firm to represent the County at the inquiry stage of consolidating the JP precincts. Motion carried.

8. Consider Treasurer's Report – Altha Herington

Motion by Frye, seconded by White to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented by the County Auditor. Motion carried.

9. Discuss Procedures for Approval and Payment of Bills

The court discussed the time and manner of how the county's bills should be paid according to state laws and mandates.

10. Consider Budget Amendment for Precinct #1

Motion by Bradshaw, seconded by White to certify the additional revenues of \$104,477.58 in precinct #1 for FEMA Grant Revenues. Motion carried. see attached.

11. Consider Resolution for FLSA Section 7(K) Exemption

Motion by Frye, seconded by Cockerham to approve Resolution 081417. Motion carried. See attached.

12. Consider Lease Agreement between Parmer County and Efrain Balli Estate

Motion by Bradshaw, seconded by White to approve the renewal of the lease agreement between the Efrain Balli Estate and the County. Motion carried.

13. Consider Request from Friona ISD to use Permanent School Funds to Pay for Security System and Phone System

Motion by Frye, seconded by Cockerham to approve the request by Friona ISD to use \$109,092.50 for security system and phone system upgrades. Motion carried.

15. Consider Appointing Robert White to Serve on the Central Plains Center Board

Motion by White, seconded by Bradshaw to approve the appointment of Mr. White to the Central Plains Center Board. Motion carried.

16. Consider County Employee Insurance – Jerry Killion

Motion by White, seconded by Frye to approve the county employee medical insurance at the plan and deductible as the previous year with an 8% increase in rates. Motion carried. See attached.

17. Consider Any and All Matters Concerning the Parmer County Law Enforcement Center

Sheriff Geris had no concerns for the Court.

With no further business to come before the court, Commissioner White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Frye seconded and adjournment was called at 12:45 o'clock P.M.

  
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County Clerk

  
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County Judge