

**ATASCOSA COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
COUNTY COURTROOM, SUITE 203  
September 27, 2021  
9 a.m.**

If after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Commissioners Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Court. Purposes for a closed or executive meeting or session permitted by the Act include the following:

- 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.
- 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property.
- 551.073 Deliberation regarding prospective gifts.
- 551.074 Personnel Matters.
- 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.
- 551.0785 Deliberation involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals.
- 551.084 Investigation; exclusion of witness from hearing.
- 551.087 Deliberation regarding economic development negotiation.
- 551.088 Deliberation regarding test item.

**AGENDA**

1. Judge Hurley: Call to order.
2. Judge Hurley: Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments:
4. Don Penny: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning an update on current COVID-19 situation, needs and response.  
Roger Garcia:
5. Don Penny: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
New Employee: Elizabeth Gonzales  
Position: Temporary Part-Time EMT-B  
Pay Rate: \$12.00 hourly  
Salary Budget Area: 041-400-518  
Physical/Drug: N/A  
Start Date: 09-27-2021
6. Jessica Tom: Discuss and/or take action concerning approving three new members of the Atascosa County Child Welfare Board. A brief overview of the board's activities year-to-date can be presented if desired.

7. Audrey G. Louis: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
Existing Employee: Daniel Kaufmann  
Position: Investigator-K9  
Pay Rate: Equity Adjustment pay from \$47,940 to \$55,000 annual  
Salary Budget Area: 047-400-406  
Physical/Drug: N/A  
Start Date: 10-01-2021
8. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
New Employee: Clarissa Acosta  
Position: Level I Deputy TAC  
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$34,978.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 012-444-402  
Physical/Drug: complete  
Start Date: 10-11-2021
9. Janice Ruple: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning Judge Hurley signing notice of election for November 2, 2021 to be posted in the newspaper.
- B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the contracts between the County and City of Jourdanton, Jourdanton I.S.D. and City of Christine for the November 2, 2021 election.
10. Daniella Martinez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
Existing Employee: Alyssa Mitchell  
Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer/Case Manager  
Pay Rate: \$45,000.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 139-400-562  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-04-2021
- New Employee: Marcus Salinas  
Position: Entry Level Juvenile Supervision Officer  
Pay Rate: \$28,000.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562  
Physical/Drug: n/a  
Start Date: 10-04-2021
- New Employee: Markeith Limon  
Position: Entry Level Juvenile Supervision Officer  
Pay Rate: \$28,000.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-04-2021

New Employee: Selena Huerta  
Position: Entry Level Juvenile Supervision Officer  
Pay Rate: \$28,000.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-04-2021

11. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to set the Sheriff and Constable fees for 2022 as required by law under Local Government Code Section 118.131. The fees are to be set before October 1, 2021 and reported to the State Comptroller's Office no later than October 15, 2021.
  
12. Diane Gonzales: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning holding a Public Hearing for the County Archive Budget Plan for 2022. The notice was published in the local newspaper for one (1) week, beginning September 15, 2021, as prescribed by law. This plan is for the preservation and restoration of books and the continuation of the Tri-fold Project. The budgeted amount of the plan for 2022 is \$200,000.00. The plan is available for review in the County Clerk's office.
  1. Open Public Hearing
  2. Close Public Hearing
  
13. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approval and adoption of the Archive Budget Plan for 2022 in the amount of \$200,000.00 as prescribed by the Local Government Code Section 118.025(g).
  
14. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to accept the Out of County Inmate Housing Income Quarterly Report from the Atascosa County Sheriff's Office.
  
15. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
New Employee: Patrick Gonzales Ramirez  
Position: Corrections Officer  
Pay Rate: Tier II \$41,750.11 flux, 90 day Co. prob., 1 yr. Agency prob., \$150 holiday, \$120 uniform  
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-04-2021  
  
New Employee: Juanita Lopez  
Position: Corrections Officer  
Pay Rate: Tier II \$41,750.11 flux, 90 day Co. prob., 1 yr. Agency prob., \$150 holiday, \$120 uniform  
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-04-2021

New Employee: Joshua Walker  
Position: Patrol Deputy  
Pay Rate: Tier II \$46,533.60 annually, 171 flux, \$120 uniform, \$175 holiday, 90 day  
Co. prob., 1 yr. Agency prob.,  
Salary Budget Area: 012-440-410  
Physical/Drug: complete  
Start Date: 10-04-2021

16. Com. Gillespie: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
Existing Employee: Sammy Davidson  
Position: Pct1 Office Manager  
Pay Rate: Tier 1 \$43,638.00 annually, 40 hours  
Salary Budget Area: 021-400-402  
Physical/Drug: n/a  
Start Date: 09-27-2021

Existing Employee: John Cavender  
Position: Pct1 Road Crew Supervisor  
Pay Rate: Tier 1 \$43,638.00 annually, 40 hours  
Salary Budget Area: 021-400-402  
Physical/Drug: n/a  
Start Date: 09-27-2021

17. Com. Knowlton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:  
New Employee: John D. Whisenand  
Position: Pct. 2 Equipment Operator  
Pay Rate: \$40,560.00 annually  
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402  
Physical/Drug: pending  
Start Date: 10-01-2021

18. Trent Rowell: Discuss and or take appropriate action concerning the approval of the Salvation Stone Subdivision located on Pullins Rd in Precinct 4. Plat approved by County Attorney's Office.

19. Trent Rowell: Discuss and/or take action on authorizing and appointing committee to discuss and present subdivision regulation amendments/improvements to Commissioners Court.

20. Trent Rowell: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the approval of the Brite Oaks Subdivision located on Jim Brite Road in Precinct 4. Plat approved by County Attorney's Office.

21. Trent Rowell: Discuss and/or take action on authorizing publication in the newspaper once of a public hearing in Commissioners Court on October 11, 2021 to consider adoption of 30 mph speed limits on Indian Sunset Dr., Wildflower Dr., River Bluff Dr., Precinct 2, Atascosa County, Texas.

22. Trent Rowell: Discuss and or take appropriate action concerning permission to post a public hearing notice, to run for one week, in the newspaper, pursuant to transportation code 251.152 regarding installing speed humps on certain county roads located in Precinct 1, Atascosa County, Texas per county authority to regulate speed as described in transportation code 251.151. Roads are, Palo Alto Dr., Encino Dr., Robles St., Nueces St., Nogal St., Box Elder Ln. and Mesquite Ln., see attached map.
23. Trent Rowell: Discuss new State law regarding prohibition on camping in a public place and whether Atascosa County should adopt stricter measures.
24. Trent Rowell: Discuss and or/take action on approval of Inmate Housing Contract with Medina County.
25. Tracy Barrera: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to renew the physical damage coverage on the drone through Ricks Insurance. The annual premium is \$708.25, term is for 1 year, beginning September 27, 2021.
- B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to renew the Group Insurance Benefits with The Hartford through Ricks Insurance. No change in rates, term is for 2 years beginning October 1, 2021.
26. Judge Hurley: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to adopt resolution designating a management service provider for the Texas Hazard Mitigation Assistance program application and project implementation.
- B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to adopt resolution designating a professional engineering firm for the Texas Hazard Mitigation Assistance program application and project implementation.
27. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving business grants as recommended by the Businesses of Atascosa Grant and Support committee. See attached.
28. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting the FY2022 TIDC Formula Grant Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program and authorize County Judge to sign.
29. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting the FY2022 TIDC Indigent Defense Improvement Grant Resolution for the Indigent Defense Sustainability Grant Program and authorize County Judge to sign.
30. Judge Hurley: A. Hold public hearing on the Atascosa County 2022 Proposed Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.007a)
1. Open public hearing.
  2. Close public hearing.

B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on any necessary changes to the Atascosa County 2022 Proposed Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008b)

C. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the Atascosa County 2022 Budget by record vote. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008a)

D. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the Atascosa County 2022 Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008c)

E. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2021 Tax Rate for Atascosa County General by record vote.

F. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2021 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Lateral Road by record vote.

G. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2021 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Debt Rate by record vote.

H. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2021 Total Tax Rate for Atascosa County by record vote.

**31. Judge Hurley:  
Tracy Barrera:** Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the following 2021 budget line item adjustments and/or budget amendments for the following: See attached.

**Constable PCT 4:**

**Moving funds from:**

012-418-601, Deputy Maintenance, \$836.00

012-418-635, Machine Maintenance, \$1,000.00

**To:**

012-418-610, Conference Expense, \$658.00

012-418-616, Radio Repairs, \$1,000.00

012-418-623, Bond Premium, \$178.00

**Road and Bridge – PCT1:**

**Moving funds from:**

021-400-611, Contract Work/Machine Hire, \$37,130.00

**To:**

021-400-502, Insurance-Fleet, \$130.00

021-400-504, Batt/Tires/Machine/Repairs, \$37,000.00

**Road and Bridge – PCT4:**

**Moving funds from:**

024-400-611, Contract Work/Machine Hire, \$70,000.00

**To:**

024-400-506, Materials, \$70,000.00

**EMS:**

**Moving funds from:**

041-400-703, Equipment, \$35,000.00

**To:**

041-400-479, Intermedix Billing, \$15,000.00

041-400-601, Repairs – Vehicle Maintenance, \$20,000.00

**Alternative Education Program:**

**Moving funds from:**

057-400-493, Social Security, \$0.04

**To:**

057-400-401, Salaries, \$0.04

**Juvenile Salaries & Services:**

**Moving funds from:**

067-400-627, Medical Expense, \$113.88

**To:**

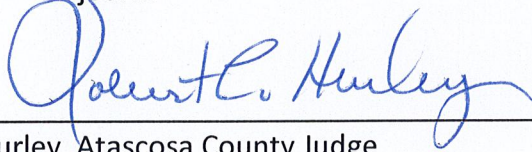
067-400-638, Travel, \$113.88

32. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any invoices and  
Tracy Barrera: payroll.

33. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.  
Tracy Barrera:

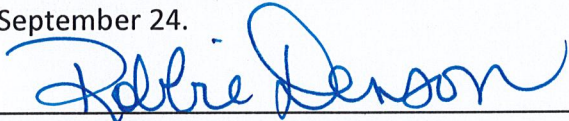
34. **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be Taken).** The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be Monday, October 11. There will be a Special Called Commissioners Court to Canvass Votes on November 10, 2021.

35. Judge Hurley: Adjourn.



Robert L. Hurley, Atascosa County Judge

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this notice was posted by 8:45 a.m., on Friday, September 24.



Robbie Denson, Court Coordinator

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