# ATASCOSA COUNTY **COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING COUNTY COURTROOM, SUITE 203** October 23, 2023

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 Cude:

Call to order.

2. Judge Cude:

Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance.

- 3. Public Comments:

4. Margaret Littleton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve and adopt the proposed "Jury Selection Plan for Atascosa County recommended by the

District Judges. See attached.

5. Sharon Root:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to read and approve the

Judge Cude

resolution from Atascosa-McMullen Retired School Personnel, District 20

in support of Proposition 9.

6. Andrea Rathmell:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to read and approve the

Safer Path

proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness

Judge Cude

Month.

7. Mary Ortiz: Camino Real

Judge Cude

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to read and approve the

proclamation declaring October as Substance Abuse Prevention Month.

8. Dale Rankin:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Holly Kopplin

Position: Atascosa 4-H Program Assistant

Pay Rate: \$39,991.69 annually, \$3,332.64 monthly, \$19.23 hourly

Salary Budget Area: 012-402-402

Physical/Drug: completed Start Date: 10/23/2023

9. Audrey Louis:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Brenda Ochoa Position: Administrative Asst. Pay Rate: \$35,000.00 Annually Salary Budget Area: 047-400-404

Physical/Drug: n/a Start Date: 11/01/2023

Existing Employee: Catherine Hayes Position: Asst. District Attorney

Pay Rate: \$123,350.00 annually (grant FY 09/01/2023- 08/31/2024)

Salary Budget Area: 154-400-402

Physical/Drug: n/a Start Date: 10/01/2023

Existing Employee: Kenny Lam Position: Asst. District Attorney

Pay Rate: \$115,989.76 annually (grant FY 09/01/2023- 08/31/2024)

Salary Budget Area: 154-400-402

Physical/Drug: n/a Start Date: 10/01/2023

Existing Employee: Marc Ledet Position: Asst. District Attorney

Pay Rate: Longevity increase from \$340.00 to \$360.00

Salary Budget Area: 047-400-405

Physical/Drug: n/a Start Date: 11/01/2023

10. Bill Gamez:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Lorene Tullos

Position: Counselor

Pay Rate: \$53,283.00 annually Salary Budget Area: 095-400-402

Pay Rate: \$2,537.00

Salary Budget Area: 067-400-402

Physical/Drug: pending Start Date: 11/01/2023

11. Jancie Ruple:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

Existing Employee: Ray Briseno Position: Temp. Elections Worker

Pay Rate: \$15.00 per hour

Salary Budget Area: 012-435-404

Physical/Drug: n/a Start Date: 10/23/2023

12. Janice Ruple: Judge Cude

New Employee: Cathryn Seiter Position: Deputy Voter Registrar Pay Rate: \$46,094.97 annually Salary Budget Area: 012-435-401

Physical/Drug: Pending Start Date: 11/02/2023

13. Janice Ruple:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the approval of pay

increase of \$15.00 for Judges and \$12.00 for Clerks. Start date of

October 23, 2023. For seasonal temporary workers.

14. Chief Dominguez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Rebecca Sarah Espinosa

Position: Kennel Tech

Pay Rate: Tier 3 at \$35,991.69 annually Salary Budget Area: 012-478-404

Physical/Drug: complete Start Date: 11/01/2023

New Employee: Sharon Marie Van Horn

Position: Kennel Tech

Pay Rate: Tier 3 at \$35,991.69 annually Salary Budget Area: 012-478-404

Physical/Drug: complete Start Date: 11/01/2023

15. Chief Dominguez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel to move employee Sheyanne (Luckman) Magee from line item 012-478-403 and

moving her to line item 012-478-403. Pay to be increased from

\$39,999.50 to \$45,949.51 effective November 1, 2023, and pay to reflect 2023 approved budget.

16. Sheriff Soward:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Brandon Devorah

Position: Deputy Sheriff

Pay Rate: Tier: 2 \$52,988.57 annually; 171 flux; \$175.00 holiday; \$120.00

mo. Uniform; 90-day county probation; 1 year agency probation

Salary Budget Area: 012-440-410

Physical/Drug: completed Start Date: 10/26/2023

17. Sheriff Soward:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the approval for Sheriff to sign Terms and Conditions that has been approved by the County Attorney's Office to order equipment from LensLock for fiscal year 2024. See attached.

18. Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel

New Employee: Denise Jones

Position: Sanitarian

Pay Rate: \$25.33 hour/ \$52,707.06 annually;

Salary Budget Area: 012-472-406 Uniform allowance \$120.00 monthly

Budget Area: 012-472-489 Physical/Drug: pending Start Date: 11/01/2023

19. Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning accepting the Master Development Plan for the Purple Hollow Subdivision on Tumlinson Rd. in PCT. 1.

20. Theresa Carrasco: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approval of the Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 2023.

21. Comm. Perez:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve McCoy Water Supply's request of two road bores on County Road 344. The first road bore is located at the corner of FM-140 and CR 344. The second road bore will be located at approximately 1,441' feet West of FM-140 on CR 344. The depth of the road bore will be 5' deep. No check collected from McCoy Water Supply.

22. Comm. Riley:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve a road boring on CR 401, 402 and 405. The length of the road bore will be 12,996 feet. There will be two (2) 12" lay flat lines, equivalent to 2.4 miles. Select Water

Solutions, LLC. is the company that is requesting the bore permit. Check #254717 in the amount of \$1,500.00 has been turned over to the Atascosa County Treasurers Office.

23. Comm. Riley:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve a road boring on CR 401 and 407. The length of the road bore will be 17,173 feet. There will be one (1) 10" lay flat lines, equivalent to 3.2 miles. Select Water Solutions, LLC. is the company that is requesting the bore permit. A cashier's check in the amount of \$2,000.00 has been turned over to the Atascosa County Treasurers Office.

24. Tracy Barrera:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the Interlocal agreement for Cost Sharing of Legislative Consulting Services between the County of Atascosa and the County of DeWitt, pending review from Trent Rowell in the County Attorney's office and direct Atascosa County Judge Weldon P. Cude to sign all related documents.

25. Tracy Barrera:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the following 2023 budget line-item adjustments and/or budget amendments for the following: See attached.

# **DEPT: Auditor/Treasurer/Contingency**

Moving funds from: 012-468-636, Contingency, \$5,912.00

To:

012-406-635, Annual Maintenance, \$2,956.00 012-450-635, Machine Maintenance, \$2,956.00

### **DEPT: Justice of the Peace – PCT1**

## Moving funds from:

012-426-628, Postage, \$765.14 012-426-684, Computer Software Expense, \$250.00 **To:** 012-426-610, Conference, \$1,015.14

#### **DEPT: Elections Administration**

**Moving funds from:** 012-435-628, Postage, \$1,200.00 **To:** 012-435-685, Maintenance – Computer, \$1,200.00

#### **DEPT: Court Expense**

#### Moving funds from:

012-436-700, Fel Other Expenses, \$5,000.00 012-436-709, Fel Capital (Non-Death), \$3,000.00 012-436-731, Flat Fee, \$9,000.00 012-436-834, CT Costs & Lunacy, \$10,000.00 012-436-845, Court Appt Atty 81st District, \$6,000.00

To:

012-436-730, Fel 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree SJ (In Court), \$3,000.00

012-436-832, Autopsy & Toxicology, \$10,000.00

012-436-837, CT Appt Atty Juvenile, \$5,000.00

012-436-841, CT Cost Expert Witness, \$15,000.00

### **DEPT: Sheriff**

Moving funds from: 012-440-684, Computer Expense, \$5,564.00

To:

012-440-610, Conference Expense, \$564.00

012-440-700, Lab Expenses, \$5,000.00

### **DEPT: Building and Yards**

Moving funds from: 012-460-635, Repairs & Replacements, \$30,000.00

<u>To:</u>

012-460-601, Maintenance-Truck, \$5,000.00 012-460-698, Sanitary Landfill, \$25,000.00

#### **DEPT: YSC - Post**

Moving funds from: 139-400-509, Supplies, \$2,078.00

**To:** 139-400-512, Clothing, \$2,078.00

26. Judge Cude:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approval of the purchase for two (2) - Motorola APX7000 hand held radios and one (1) Motorola APX7500 in unit radio, using ARPA funds, budget line 012-487-505. The total cost is \$9,210.00 paid to Mission Communication LLC, see attached.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

27.

The Regular Session of Atascosa County Commissioners Court will now recess in order to convene in Executive Session according to Texas Government Code 551.071 and 551.074 and 551.0785 to discuss personnel and other matters with the County Attorney's office.

28. OPEN SESSION

29. Judge Cude:

Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning item(s) discussed in executive session.

30. Judge Cude: Tracy Barrera

Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any invoices and payroll.

31. Judge Cude:

Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.

**Tracy Barrera:** 

32.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be Taken).

The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting is set Monday,

November 13, 2023.

33. Judge Cude:

Adjourn.

Weldon P. Cude, Atascosa County Judge

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this notice was posted by 9:00 a.m., on Friday,

October 20, 2023.

Jessica Kidd, Court Coordinator,

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