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We, the County Judge, and Commissioners of Lavaca County, Texas, majority being present, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Minutes of the Commissioners' Court Meeting dated January 27\_\_\_, 2020 are this day approved as submitted.

Signed this the 10 day of Feb

Tramer J. Woytek

\_, County Judge

ATTEST:

Elazabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk Elizabeth A. Kouba by Indrey Ednar, Deputy Oak

# THE STATE OF TEXAS )( COUNTY OF LAVACA )(

#### Regular Meeting January 27, 2020

The Lavaca County Commissioners' Court met in a Regular Called Meeting on Monday, January 27, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. in the Lavaca County Commissioners' Courtroom, 1st Floor, Hallettsville, Texas.

#### **Present:**

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1 Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2 Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3 Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4 Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk

The attached sheets contain the names of the citizens and officials that were in attendance.

#### Roll Call:

All members of the Court were present.

The meeting was called to order by <u>Judge Tramer J. Woytek</u>, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag by Commissioner Edward <u>Pustka</u>.

Judge Tramer J. Woytek called for a moment of silence in honor and memory of former Constable Alton Brown.

#### Discussion and/or Action Agenda:

1. Executive Session with County Attorney:

Personnel and legal discussion related to the County Judge's Office. (Judge/Commissioners)

Entered: 10:03 a.m. Closed: 10:43 a.m.

2. Appoint a replacement to the Office of County Judge or advertise and accept applications and resumes for the position of Lavaca County Judge with a deadline of February 7, 2020 until 5:00 PM. (Judge/Commissioners)

Moved by Commissioner Neil F. Bates, seconded by Commissioner Judge Tramer J. Woytek.

"I'd like to make a motion to appoint Dana Johnson, the administrative assistant, to our County Judge. She is dually qualified, so that would be my motion, to accept her as interim replacement for interim County Judge."

Frank Fishar addressed the court recommending that the Court take applications from those interested in the position of Lavaca County Judge and that Qualifications should be the deciding factor.

Kathleen Leininger also addressed the court recommending that Dana Johnson be appointed as Lavaca County Judge.

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	NO
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	NO
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	NO

The vote was made by a show of hands.

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek and Commissioner Neil F. Bates, Jr. FOR the motion. Commissioners Edward Pustka, Ronald Berckenhoff, and Dennis W. Kocian AGAINST the motion.

#### Motion Denied.

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

"I make a motion to advertise and accept applications and resumes for the position of Lavaca County Judge with a deadline of February 7, 2020 until 5:00 pm."

Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian suggested the deadline for the applications be amended to February 5, 2020. Mr. Pustka agreed with amendment.

Judge clarified the amended motion that applications and resumes have a deadline of February 5, 2020. The vote was unanimous.

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried
Court Order: 17849

#### 3. Service and Safety Awards for the year ending 2019. (Judge)

Moved by Judge Tramer J. Woytek, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"I make a motion to approve Karen Bludau and Dana Johnson to head up the Service and Safety Awards for the year ending 2019."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct, 4	YES

Motion Carried

Court Order: 17850

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

## 4. Approval of finalist for the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Agent, Family and Community Health for Lavaca County as recommended by Donnie Montemayor, District Extension Administrator. (Judge)

Moved by Judge Tramer J. Woytek, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"I make a motion that we approve the finalist for the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Agent, being Natalie Knesek, as recommended by Donnie Montemayor, District Extension Administrator."

Shannon Deforest introduced Erika Bochat, Regional Program Director for Family and Community Health. Erick Bochat presented Natalie Knesek as Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Agent, Family and Community Health for Lavaca County.

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### **Motion Carried**

Court Order: 17851

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

# 5. Racial Profiling Report from the Lavaca County Sheriff's Office for the year 2019 which has been filed with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. (Sheriff)

Moved by Judge Tramer J. Woytek, seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

<sup>&</sup>quot;I put that in the form of a motion."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

#### Motion Carried Court Order: 17852

#### 6. Accept the resignation of James Whited as Deputy Sheriff, effective January 17, 2020. (Sheriff)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates, Jr.

"I make a motion to accept the resignation of James Whited as Deputy Sheriff, effective January 17, 2020."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order: 17853

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

#### 7. Order Authorizing Texas Independence Day Fireworks Sale. (Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian, seconded by Commissioner Neil F. Bates, Jr.

"I make a motion to approve the Order Authorizing Texas Independence Day Fireworks Sale."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

**Motion Carried** 

Court Order: 17854

- 8. Declare the following as surplus property:
  - a. Fujitsu Scanner; Tag #8825;
  - b. HP Laserjet P1102 W Printer; Tag #8823;
  - c. Dell Monitor, Serial #CN0FP04F72872370
  - d. 2 computer speakers. (Justice of the Peace Pct. 1)

Moved by Judge Tramer J. Woytek, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

<sup>&</sup>quot;I put that in the form of a motion."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

**Motion Carried** 

Court Order: 17855

# 9. Approve out-of-state travel for Jail Personnel to attend ICE 287G training in South Carolina, February 23 through February 29, 2020, and use of rental car. (Sheriff)

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"I'd like to make a motion to approve out-of-state travel for Jail Personnel to attend ICE 287G training in South Carolina, February 23-29, 2020, and use of rental car."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

**Motion Carried** 

Court Order: 17856

NO DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED TO THE MINUTES OF THE COURT.

10. Quitclaim Deed from Lavaca County to Thomas C. Macha and wife, Joan F. Macha for such portions of the streets and/or strips of land in the unincorporated town of Sweet Home, Texas as described on the Exhibit A attached to the deed. (Comm. Pct. 3)

Moved by Commissioner Neil F. Bates, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Dennis W. Kocian.

"I move that the Quitclaim Deed from Lavaca County to Thomas C. Macha and his wife, Joan, for such portions of the streets and/or strips of land in the unincorporated town of Sweet Home, Texas as described on the Exhibit A attached to the deed. I make that in the form of a motion."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order: 17857

11. Interlocal Cooperation Contract Failure to Appear (FTA) Program between Lavaca County and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas (DPS). (Judge)

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka.

"I make a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Contract Failure to Appear (FTA) Program between Lavaca County and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas (DPS)."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order: 17858

12. Purchase of 2019 International HX620 6x4 Tractor in the amount of \$106,900.00 from Santex Truck Centers Ltd, Contract No. HT08-18 HGAC Buy. (Comm. Pct. 1)

Moved by Commissioner Edward Pustka, seconded by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff.

"I'd like to approve a purchase of a 2019 International HX620 6x4 Tractor in the amount of \$106,900.00 from Santex Truck Centers Ltd, Contract No. HT08-18 HGAC Buy Board."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order: 17859

#### Consent Agenda:

- 13. Minutes from January 13, 2020 Regular Called Commissioners Court Meeting.
- 14. Enter of record the fully executed Field Agreement between USDA, Texas Agrilife Extension -Wildlife Services, Texas Wildlife Damage Management Association, Inc. and Lavaca County for predatory animal control January 1, 2020 through March 31, 2020 as approved in Commissioners Court on November 25, 2019.
- 15. Lavaca County Road Special Use Agreement between Penn Virginia Oil & Gas LP and Precinct #2 to include LCR #260.
- 16. Lavaca County Road Special Use Agreement between Penn Virginia Oil & Gas LP and Precinct #3 to include LCR #353 and #351.
- 17. Lavaca County Road Special Use Agreement between Penn Virginia Oil & Gas LP and Precinct #3 to include LCR #341A.
- 18. Application for Pipeline Permit between Penn Virginia Oil & Gas LP and Precinct #3 to include LCR #334.
- 16. Claims and/or Payroll.
- 17. Budget Amendments, if any.

#### Approved.

Moved by Commissioner Ronald Berckenhoff, seconded by Commissioner Edward Pustka

"I make a motion to approve the consent agenda as it is."

County Judge Tramer J. Woytek	YES
Edward Pustka, Commissioner Pct. 1	YES
Ronald Berckenhoff, Commissioner Pct. 2	YES
Neil F. Bates, Jr., Commissioner Pct. 3	YES
Dennis W. Kocian, Commissioner Pct. 4	YES

Motion Carried Court Order: 17860

Court members signing of paperwork related to items above.

Adjournment by Presiding Officer at 11:12 A.M.

### Signature Roster

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# Attendance at Commissioner's Court Meeting August 27, 2020 Called Sign Here **Print Name Here** CHARLES GREIVE

Signature Roster

#### Minutes of Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk, Lavaca County:

I, Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk of Lavaca County, Texas, do hereby certify that the following Commissioners' Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting on <u>January 27, 2020.</u>

#### **ATTEST**

Elizabeth A. Kouba, County Clerk & Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court of Lavaca County, Texas

Signed this -2.3

day of <u>Janu</u>

\_\_\_\_, County Clerk

Elizabeth A. Kouba