



## **DELTA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Delta County Commissioners Court was held on Tuesday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2023 at 9:00 A.M. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Courtroom of the Delta County Courthouse, located at 200 West Dallas Avenue, Cooper, Texas, 75432:**

### **THOSE THEY WERE IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
Morgan Baker, Commissioner, Precinct 1  
Anthony Roberts, Commissioner Precinct 3  
Mark Brantley, Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Call to Order, Establishment of a Quorum, and Declaration of Public Notices Legally Posted Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Meeting was called to order by Judge Tanner Crutcher @ 9:05 am
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Judge Tanner Crutcher
  - b. Invocation was given by Mark Brantley
2. Public Comments **None**
3. General Announcements **None**
4. Discuss and take possible action related to the approval of the minutes for the July 25, 2023 regular meeting and August 1, 2023 special meeting (workshop session). **Commissioner Baker I make the motion to approve the minutes for July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and August 1, 2023 Special Meeting as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts Second COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**
5. Discuss and take possible action to approve and ratify the payment of financial obligations, including claims, payroll and personnel expenses, and bills. **Commissioner Baker I make the motion to approve to pay all financial obligations, including claims, payroll and personnel expenses as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts Second COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**
6. Discuss and take possible action to consider the appointment of Jacob Vaughn as a Commissioner to the Delta County Emergency Services District No. 1 board filling an unexpired term expiring January 1, 2024 - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge

Commissioner Baker I make the motion to appoint Jacob Vaughn as a Commissioner to the Delta County Emergency Services District No.1 board to fill a unexpired term that expires January 1, 2024 as presented to the court and Commissioner Brantley Second  
**COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**

7. Discuss and take possible action related to the necessity for an increase in juror pay as of September 1, 2023 - Debbie Huie, County Treasurer  
Commissioner Baker I make the motion to approve the increase the pay for the Jurors to \$20.00 and \$ 60.00 effective September 1, 2023 as presented to the court and Commissioner Brantley Second  
**COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**
  
8. Discuss and take possible action related to changes in holiday pay for law enforcement personnel and jailers/dispatchers - Charla Singleton, Sheriff  
Commissioner Brantley I make the motion to approve changes in the Holiday pay for the law enforcement personnel and jailers/dispatchers, pay double time when they work a Holiday, Pay out time that they have accrued this Fiscal Year at straight time as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts Second  
**COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**
  
9. Discuss and take possible action to consider a request from a property owner seeking signatures, in accordance with the City of Cooper ordinance requirements, from adjoining property owners within a 200' radius, including the County of Delta, for the construction of a residence on the property located at 200 NE 2nd Street, Cooper, Texas, 75432 - Erin Serna, Property Owner  
**No action needed.**
  
10. Discuss and take possible action related to the development of the Courthouse Master Plan by Komatsu Architecture - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**No action needed.**
  
11. Bring from the table, discuss and take possible action to consider the sale of county-owned real property, pursuant to Chapter 263 of the Texas Local Government Code, identified and described by Delta County Appraisal District (DCAD) Property ID#: 4432 and 4433 - GEO ID#: 0354-0002-0000-03 and 0354-0002-0001-01; located at 26 HWY 24 and 30 HWY 24, Cooper, TX, 75432 4.08 +/- acres, Delta County, Texas, and authorize the County Judge to take necessary action related to the sale of the aforementioned real property - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
Commissioner Brantley I make the motion to approve for the County Judge and the County Attorney to solicit a Broker Service to sale

property on behalf of Delta County and to lower the minimum bid to \$300,000.00 as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts  
Second

**COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**

12. Discuss and take possible action to update the Commissioners Court on Courthouse facility repairs and related projects - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**Roof should be complete by the end of the week, Painting has started, seal will be put down over the Labor Day Holiday, Elevator waiting on parts, replace ceiling tiles in courtroom.**
13. Sheriff's Jail Report – Charla Singleton, Sheriff **Total of 20 Inmates in jail**
14. Discuss and take possible action, the Commissioners Court to convene into executive session, pursuant to section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to consult with legal counsel regarding litigation related to the matter of Texas Opioid Litigation, *County of Delta v. Purdue Pharma, Inc., et al.*, in the 152nd District Court of Harris County, Texas; MDL Master Cause No. 2018-63587 - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**No action needed.**
15. Discuss and take possible action to reconvene back into open session - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**No action needed.**
16. Discuss and take possible action on items discussed in executive session related to settlement offers or other necessary action in the matter of Texas Opioid Litigation; in the 152nd District Court of Harris County, Texas; MDL Master Cause No. 2018-63587, including consideration of authorizing the County Judge or other authorized officials to execute the Settlement participation and release forms regarding settlement offers from Walgreens, CVS, and Walmart in the matter of Texas opioid multi-district litigation for the County in the matter of *County of Delta v. Purdue Pharma, L.P. et al.*  
**No action needed.**
17. Conduct a budget workshop for the FY 2024 Proposed Budget - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge **Discussed Elected Official Salaries**
18. Discuss and take possible action to consider approving an Order setting the salaries, personal expenses or other allowances for elected county or precinct officials - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**Commissioner Brantley I make the motion to approve an Order for the salaries, personnel expenses or other allowances for elected county or**

precinct officials in the amount of \$50,000.00 and their stipends as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts Second  
**COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**

19. Discuss and take possible action to consider approving an Order authorizing the publication of the proposed increases of salaries, personal expenses or other allowances for elected county or precinct officials in accordance with Local Government Code §152.013 - Tanner Crutcher, County Judge  
**Commissioner Baker I make the motion to approve an Order for the publication of the proposed increases of salaries, personnel expenses or other allowances for elected county or precinct officials as presented to the court and Commissioner Roberts Second  
COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED.**

20. **Adjourn@12:19pm**  
**Commissioner Baker I make the motion to adjourn this meeting and  
Commissioner Roberts Second  
COURT VOTES - 3 TO 0 - AYES HAVE IT, MOTION CARRIED**

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Janice Roberts, County/District Clerk  
Delta County, Texas