

THE STATE OF TEXAS
CORYELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT
September 12, 2023

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COUNTY JUDGE
ROGER MILLER

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KYLE MATTHEWS, CORYELL COUNTY, TEXAS
SCOTT WEDDLE, PRECINCT 2
RYAN BASHAM, PRECINCT 3
KEITH TAYLOR, PRECINCT 4

The Coryell County Commissioners' Court convened at 9:02 a.m. with all members present. County Judge, Roger Miller gave the invocation and led the Pledge to the American and Texas Flags.

Public Hearing:

5.
 - a. A public hearing was held in order to receive comments from the public on the proposed budget filed with the County Clerk on August 15, 2023.
 - b. A public hearing was held in order to receive comments from the public on the proposed tax rate of \$.37328, which is effectively a 10% increase in the tax rate.

Consent Agenda:

6.
 - a. The Court accepted the August 2023 Financial Summary report from the County Tax Assessor.
 - b. The Court accepted the August 2023 Financial Summary report from the County Clerk's Office.
 - c. The Court approved the Commissioners Court minutes from the meetings held August 22, 2023.

The consent agenda was approved after a motion by Commissioner Ryan Basham and a second by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

7. Adopt the proposed budget as the operating budget for FY2024 as modified and identified as Commissioners Court View after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews with a second from Commissioner Scott Weddle.

Motion to the Clerk to take a roll call vote on the motion and the second for adopting the proposed budget as the operating budget for FY2024 as modified in this document made by Commissioner Kyle Matthews. Motion died due to lack of second.

"I move to appeal the Chairs decision not to call the vote as motioned and seconded" made by Commissioner Scott Weddle and a second by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

Roll call vote was taken for the adoption of the budget and the votes are as follows:

Commissioner Ryan Basham: Yes
 Commissioner Kyle Matthews: Yes
 County Judge Roger Miller: No
 Commissioner Keith Taylor: Yes
 Commissioner Scott Weddle: Yes

23. Move to ratify the property tax increase set by the proposed budget as modified after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Scott Weddle.

8. I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.37328 per \$100 in valuation, which is effectively a 5.67% increase in the tax rate. The rate shall be broken down into the

following: \$.32878 per \$100 for the purpose of maintenance and operations and; \$.04450 per \$100 for the purpose of principal and interest on debts after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

Roll call vote was taken for the property tax rate and the votes are as follows:

Commissioner Ryan Basham: Yes
Commissioner Kyle Matthews: Yes
County Judge Roger Miller: No
Commissioner Keith Taylor: Yes
Commissioner Scott Weddle: Yes

9. The Court approved meeting on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month after a motion by Commissioner Ryan Basham and a second by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

10. The Court approved the County Holiday Schedule for the calendar year 2024 after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Ryan Basham.

11. The Court accepted the Road and Bridge work summary for August 2023 after a motion by Commissioner Ryan Basham and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

12. The Court approved releasing the letter of credit and the performance bond for High Creek phase I and phase II after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

13. The Court accepted the maintenance bond for High Creek subdivision in the amount of \$379,600.00 after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

14. The Court approved Court Order CC23-10 and Court Order CC23-11; Orders Declaring Equipment/Property as Surplus/Salvage after a motion by Commissioner Ryan Basham and a second by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

15. Updates on grants were given:

- a. SS4A- Proposed contract for review, need a workshop in October to set priorities.
- b. HMP- Resubmitted on August 1, heard back from TEDEM on August 30 requesting the changes be highlighted. Resubmitted on August 31, waiting on response from TEDEM.
- c. RCP- Need a workshop to set priorities and review subdivision regulations.
- d. CDBG-MIT- Revisit projects, set a specific meeting to review the information being submitted.
- e. CWPP- Next public meeting is on September 20, 2023.

16. The Court accepted the proposal from Langford for Resilient Communities Program (RCP) Grant Administration after a motion by Commissioner Ryan Basham and a second by Commissioner Kyle Matthews.

17. Discussion was held with NRS regarding county maps.

18. The Court appointed Dr. Diedra Wuenschel as the Coryell County Health Authority after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Scott Weddle.

19. There was no action taken on this item.

20. Update given on construction projects.

21. There was no action taken on this item.

22. There was no action taken on this item.

24. There was no action taken on this item.

25. There was no action taken on this item.

26. The Court accepted donations from Patricia and Steven Timocko-\$200, Barbara Story-\$300, and Dana Stewart-\$500 for horses that had to be seized after a motion by Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

27. The Court voted to pay bills in the amount of \$1,994,635.54 after a motion by Commissioner Kyle Matthews and a second by Commissioner Keith Taylor.

Reports:

28. Reports were given.

29. Report was given.

Closed Meeting/Executive Session:

30-31. The Court entered into a closed meeting at 12:45 p.m. to consult with the county attorney regarding pending litigation, and a matter subject to attorney client confidentiality. To include case County of Coryell v. Purdue Pharma, Inc., etal, MDL PRETRAIL CAUSE NO. 2018-63587, in the 152nd District Court of Harris County, Texas; deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated.

Reconvene Open Meeting:

32. Discussion was held.

33. The Court approved the scope of work contract for the development of a Safety Action Plan between Coryell County and NRS with a provision of Brandon Belt adding task, benefit cost analysis of county owned existing data after a motion by Commissioner Scott Weddle and a second by Commissioner Ryan Basham.

34. No action taken on this item.

This meeting was adjourned.

Roger Miller

ROGER MILLER, COUNTY JUDGE

Kyle Matthews

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Ryan Basham

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ATTEST: *Jennifer Newton*
JENNIFER NEWTON, COUNTY CLERK

