# MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 10, 2025

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in regular session March 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler Commissioner Ryan Varela, Precinct No. 1 Commissioner James B. Pilchiek Sr., Precinct No. 2 Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3 Commissioner Brian Carson, Precinct No. 4

## Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Carson gave the invocation.

#### **New Business:**

#### Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (No. 6)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive the DeWitt County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report from Harrison, Waldrop & Uherek, L.L.P for the period ending September 30, 2024, Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Presentation of Certificate and Award (No. 7)

 Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting and an Award of Financial Reporting Achievement was presented to Neomi Williams, County Auditor, and her staff on behalf of the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada.

# Receive and Award Proposals for Food Service Vendor No: 2025-0007 (No. 9)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive the bids for the food services contract and also award Performance Food Services for the food services contract and also authorize the county judge to negotiate a contract with Performance Food Services. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Executive/Closed Session (No. 1)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to go into executive/closed session at 9:45 a.m. and appoint the judge as the minute taker. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

Judge Fowler announced that the executive session ended at 10:00 a.m. this morning and the court has returned to open session.

#### Discussion and Potential Action (No. 2)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve Court Order No. 2025-010, approving the purchase by said County from Texan Store Properties, LLC of a certain tract of real property, containing approximately 1.395 acres, more or less, located in DeWitt County, Texas, a part of the James Kimberling Survey Abstract 283, for authorized public purposes, and authorizing the county to proceed to closing regarding said transaction with a price of \$195,000.00 plus closing costs up to \$2,500.00, including without limitation, surveyor, title insurance, escrow, copying, and recording fees; and authorize the county judge to do such document. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Memorandum of Understanding (No. 3)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of establishing a partnership between Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and DeWitt County for cooperative demonstration work in agriculture and home economics effective March 10, 2025 through September 30, 2030. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Commissioner Pct. #2 Insurance Claim Settlement Offer (No. 3)

MOTION: Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to receive the total loss settlement offer of \$205,000 from TAC Risk Management Services for the total loss of the 2015 Caterpillar Motor Grader and authorize the auditor to proceed with executing the necessary documents to settle the insurance claim and credit the proceeds to DeWitt County Commissioner Precinct No. 2 Miscellaneous Income. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Texas Association of Counties Property Insurance Renewal Schedule (No. 5)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the Texas Association of Counties, Risk Management Pool Insurance Renewal schedule and application for property insurance. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Precinct 4 Fuel Agreement (No. 8)

MOTION: Mr. Carson made a motion to renew the maintenance agreement between DeWitt County and the Fuelmaster Fuel Management System located at the Precinct No. 4 barn in the amount of \$2,650.00 to commence March 6, 2025 through March 5, 2026. Mr. Varela seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Receive and Award Contract for Asphalt Oils Bid No: 2025-0008 (No. 10)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive the bids for AC-5, award Martin Asphalt as the primary and Ergon as the alternate; award AC-10 bid to Martin Asphalt as the

primary and Ergon Asphalt as the alternate; AC-15P award to Ergon as the primary and Martin Asphalt as the alternate; MC-30 award the bid to Martin Asphalt Company primary and Cleveland Asphalt alternate; RC-250 award the bid to Martin Asphalt primary and Cleveland alternate. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Receive and Award Contract for Concrete Bid No: 2025-0009 (No. 11)

Bid received from ABN Construction LLC.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to award bid for concrete to ABN Construction LLC. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Receive and Award Contract for Fuel Bid No: 2025-0010 (No. 12)

Bid received from On-Site Fuels dba Schmidt & Sons Inc.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to award the bid for fuel to Schmidt & Sons Inc. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Receive and Award Contract for Road Materials Bid No: 2025-0011 (No. 23)

Road Materials: Product	<u>Primary</u>	Alternate
Pre-Coated Aggregate Grade 3	Colorado Materials Ltd	Brauntex Materials, Inc.
Pre-Coated Aggregate Grade 4	Colorado Materials Ltd	Brauntex Materials, Inc.
Pre-Coated Aggregate Grade 5	Brauntex Materials, Inc.	Colorado Materials Ltd
Premixed Rock Asphalt	Martin Marietta	No Alternate Bid
Hot Mix Cold Laid Grade B	Brauntex Materials, Inc.	Colorado Materials Ltd
Hot Mix Cold Laid Grade D	Brauntex Materials, Inc.	Colorado Materials Ltd
ASPPM Grade IV Performance Cold Mix – Delivered & Not Delivered	Waller County Asphalt Inc. Colorado Materials Ltd	No Alternate Bid  Carson Services LLC &
Crushed Limestone Base	Colorado Materiais Ltd	Allstar Materials
Crushed Limestone Cover Stone, ¼" F Rock	Colorado Materials Ltd	Allstar Materials

Crushed Limestone

Cover Stone, Type B, Grade 3 Quality Hot Mix, Inc. Colorado Materials Ltd

Crushed Limestone

Cover Stone, Type B, Grade 4 Quality Hot Mix, Inc. Colorado Materials, Ltd

3/4 to Dust Limestone

Pct. 1 & 2

Pct. 3

Colorado Materials Ltd

Colorado Materials Ltd

Brauntex Materials, Inc.

Allstar Materials, Inc.

Brauntex Materials, Inc.

Bulk Rate Cement Ash Grove Cement No Alternate Bid

3/8" Pea Gravel

Delivered & Not Delivered All Bids

1-340-C PG70-22 SAC B

Delivered – Pct. 1, 2 & 3 Colorado Materials Ltd Delivered – Pct. 4 Brauntex Materials, Inc.

Clerk's Note: Alternate bid awarded to Brauntex Materials, Inc. for all precincts; Brauntex was already awarded as primary for Pct. 4; there was nothing discussed about not delivered bids. (See Page 12 for clarification)

1-340-C PG64-22 SAC B

Delivered & Not Delivered Brauntex Materials, Inc. Colorado Materials Ltd

HMAC Type D

Delivered & Not Delivered Brauntex Materials. Inc. Colorado Materials Ltd

Pit Run Gravel

Delivered & Not Delivered All Bids

Screened Gravel

Delivered & Not Delivered All Bids

Bull Rock

Delivered & Not Delivered All Bids

3 Sack Stabilized Sand

Delivered ABN Construction LLC Dunn Services, Inc.

Bulk Hydrated Lime No Bids Submitted

Asphalt Patch C & Y Chemical Corp, No Alternate Bid

CENCO, Inc.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to award bids. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a record vote:

Commissioner Precinct No. 1 – "Aye"
Commissioner Precinct No. 2 – "Aye"
Commissioner Precinct No. 3 – "Aye"
Commissioner Precinct No. 4 – Abstained
Judge Fowler – did not vote

## Victoria Air HVAC Maintenance Agreement (No. 14)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to renew Victoria Air HVAC Maintenance agreement for the DeWitt County 2021 Annex at a yearly cost of \$9,400.00 and billing will incur in increments of \$2,350.00. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Certificate of Completion (No. 15)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion from the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas for Commissioner Pct. 1 Ryan Varela for successfully completing the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code for 2024. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Certificate of Completion (No. 16)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion from the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas for Commissioner Pct. 2 James B. Pilchiek, Sr. for successfully completing the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code for 2024. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Certificate of Completion (No. 17)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion from the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas for Commissioner Pct. 4 Brian Carson for successfully completing the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code for 2024. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Certificate of Completion (No. 18)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion for Constable Pct. 1 Roy Kuester from the Sam Houston State University Criminal Justice Center for the successful completion of 40 hours of education at the Newly Elected Constables Conference. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Certificate of Completion (No. 19)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion for Blair Duran from the Texas Judicial Academy for the successful completion of 13 hours of judicial and administrative education at the 2025 County Court Assistants Training Conference. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Temporary Right of Way (No. 20)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve temporary right of way permit with Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP for installation of a temporary water line along Alfred Blaschke Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Temporary Right of Way (No. 21)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve temporary right of way agreement with Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Company LP for installation of a temporary water line along Jaeger Road in Commissioner Precinct No. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Temporary Right of Way (No. 22)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve permit application from EOG Resources for installation of a temporary water line along Hahn Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 1. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# County Auditor's Semi-Monthly Reports – February 21-28, 2025 (No. 23)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Semi-Monthly Reports dated February 21-28, 2025. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# County Auditor's Deposit Receipt Audit for February 2025 (No. 24)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Deposit Receipt Audit Report, pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 115. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## County Auditor's Payroll Audit Report February 2025 (No. 25)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Payroll Audit Report, pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 115. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## County Auditor's Positive Pay Audit Report February 2025 (No. 26)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Positive Pay Audit Report, pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 115. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## District Clerk Statutory Compliance Audit FY 2024 Q2-Q4 (No. 27)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Audit Report, pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 115 for FY 2024 Quarter 2 through Quarter 4. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Monthly Report of Officials (No. 28)

County Auditor Neomi Williams reported that the auditor's office had received all monthly reports.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve monthly report of officials. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## County Treasurer's Monthly Report (No. 29)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and approve Court Order No. 2025-009, the County Treasurer's Monthly Report. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Minutes (No. 30)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and approve minutes of the previous term of court. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Accounts Payable (No. 31)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve accounts payable. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Ratified Accounts Payable (No. 32)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve accounts payable. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Personnel Policy (No. 33)

No personnel policy changes.

## Payroll Report (No. 34)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and ratify payroll report. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Jury Report (No. 35)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and ratify jury report. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Bonds (No. 36)

Bond of Ashma Patel, Position Bond, and Reserve Deputy Sheriff Micah Harmon.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve bonds. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Courthouse/Annex/Museum Expenditures/Maintenance/Improvements (No. 37)

Judge Fowler reported that Trane came last Friday and resolved two aggravating issues with the chillers. During District Court last week, the fans were blowing full speed and it was hard to hear the court proceedings. During the previous freeze, the air handler had been put on a manual hold, was blowing at 100% when it did not need to.

Judge Fowler reported on the courthouse window repairs, quote received for washing the windows and a new sign has been ordered listing in alphabetical the office names of the Weber Annex building offices.

Mr. Varela reported that he met with the DeWitt County Historical Museum board regarding what to expect during the renovations. During the construction, the museum will be closed and only necessary staff will be at the museum.

Mr. Varela reported that he was present during the jail inspection. Besides minor items, the jail passed the inspection.

# Legislative Update (No. 38)

Judge Fowler reported that he heard from Craig Holzheaser last week and there is still favorable talk about the additional \$250,000,000.00 being added to the state budget.

Judge Fowler spent Thursday evening and Friday morning at a meeting of county judges & collaboration with LCRA about LCRA projects and the county needs.

# Discussion of Commissioner Precinct Operations (No. 39)

Commissioner Precinct No. 1 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 2 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 3 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4 reported on starting to pave Emil Zielonka Road this week.

## Public Announcements/Comments (No. 40)

None

#### Adjourn (No. 41)

MOTION:

Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adjourn. [Adjourned at 11:45 a.m.]

# MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS SPECIAL MEETING - MARCH 13, 2025

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in special session March 13, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler Commissioner Ryan Varela, Precinct No. 1 Commissioner James B. Pilchiek Sr., Precinct No. 2 Commissioner Brian Carson, Precinct No. 4

#### Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order, led everyone in the pledge of allegiance and gave the invocation.

#### **New Business:**

#### Operation Lone Star Grant Application (No. 1)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to authorize Sheriff Carl Bowen to apply for the Operation Loan Star Grant through the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office in order to fund body armor for deputies and also authorize the county judge to submit the application. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 4-0.

#### Adjourn (No. 2)

MOTION:

Mr. Pilchiek made a motion to adjourn. [Adjourned at 2:05 p.m.]

# MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF DE WITT COUNTY, TEXAS REGULAR MEETING – MARCH 24, 2025

DeWitt County Commissioners Court met in regular session March 24, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom at the DeWitt County Courthouse in Cuero, Texas, with the following members present:

County Judge Daryl L. Fowler Commissioner Ryan Varela, Precinct No. 1 Commissioner James B. Pilchiek Sr., Precinct No. 2 Commissioner James Kaiser, Precinct No. 3 Commissioner Brian Carson, Precinct No. 4

#### Call to Order; Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

Judge Fowler called the meeting to order and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Carson gave the invocation.

#### **New Business:**

#### Burn Ban (No. 1)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to adopt Court Order No. 2025-011, Burn Ban Order, effective March 24, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. to expire on June 22, 2025 at 6:00 a.m. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month Proclamation (No. 2)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve a Proclamation for the DeWitt County Child Welfare Board establishing April 2025 as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Letter of Retirement (No. 4)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive letter of retirement from DeWitt County Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 Peggy Mayer effective March 28<sup>th</sup> at the end of day. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 Vacancy Discussion (No. 5)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to adopt Commissioner Court Order No. 2025-012, an order of the Commissioners Court of DeWitt County declaring: (1) a vacancy in the office of Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1 due to the retirement of the current officeholder, (2) authorizing the assignment of duties to the nearest JP in the county pursuant to Government Code Section

27.052; and (3) establishing an effective date of March 28, 2025 at business day end. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve application process for JP 1 to start March 24, 2025; applications are to be received to the county judge's office no later than April 25, 2025 5:00 p.m. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Rural Emergency Services Resolution (No. 6)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2025-013, supporting Senate Bill 1377 and House Bill 3000 to provide critical funding for rural emergency medical services and forward it to Texas Governor, Lieutenant Governor and other state leaders. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Food Service Vendor Contract (No. 7)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve the contract with Performance Food Service for food service vendor and authorize the judge to sign such instrument. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Jail Inspection Report (No. 9)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive inspection of DeWitt County Jail by Texas Commission on Jail Standards report. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Keep Cuero Beautiful Letter (No. 8)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive letter from Keep Cuero Beautiful regarding survey of litter on DeWitt County properties. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# TDCJ Project Agreement Form (No. 10)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve Project Agreement Form between Texas Department of Criminal Justice and DeWitt County for prison labor at the DeWitt County Historical Museum with an effective dates of May 1, 2025 through July 29, 2025. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Temporary Right of Way (No. 11)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve temporary right of way agreement with Qwik Pipe Inc. for installation of a temporary water line along Metting Road and Metting School Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Certificate of Completion (No. 12)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive Certificate of Completion from the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas for Commissioner James Kaiser for successfully completing the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 of the Texas Local Government Code for 2024. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Awarded Road Materials Bid No. 2025-0011 - Item #15 (No. 13)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to clarify the previous motion and award primary delivered materials to Colorado for Pct. 1, 2 & 3 and primary delivered materials for Pct. 4 to Brauntex and also clarifying the awarded alternate for delivered materials for Pct. 1, 2 & 3 would be Brauntex and alternate delivered materials for Pct. 4 would be Colorado. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Saltwater Pipeline Lease Application (Addendum No. 1)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve Saltwater Pipeline Lease Application from Repsol Services Company for installation of a saltwater pipeline along Seiler Road in Commissioner Precinct No. 3 and authorize county judge to execute the lease, Saltwater Lease No 2025-001. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Discretionary Exemption (No. 14)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive sole source affidavit from P2 Emulsions for road materials. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Banking Board Resolution (No. 15)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive First National Bank of Shiner Board of Directors Minutes and Resolution ratifying and adopting Depository Bid; approve and adopt the County Depository Pledge Contract. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Pledge Collateral Contract (No. 16)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive County Depository Pledge Contract from First National Bank of Shiner pledging securities with TIB, N.A. for the protection of DeWitt Counties Funds as set forth by Local Government Code 116.051. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Designation of Depository (No. 17)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to designate First National Bank of Shiner as the DeWitt County Depository bank, pursuant to Local Government Code Chapter 116.025, for county funds

for the next two years beginning May 15, 2025, through May 15, 2027. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Training Request (No. 18)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve out of state training request and associated travel expenses for De Witt County Ag Extension Agent Denise Goebel. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

## Authorize Auditor to Advertise for Request for Proposals (No. 20)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to authorize the County Auditor to advertise for request for proposals (RFP) for the Bates-Sheppard House, De Witt County Historical Museum Exterior Repairs and Restoration. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# County Auditor's Semi-Monthly Reports – March 1-20, 2025 (No. 21)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive De Witt County Auditor's Reports, pursuant to Local Government Code, Chapter 114. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Records and Proceeds from the Sale of Salvage or Surplus Property (No. 22)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to receive report from Auditor showing records and proceeds from the sale of salvage or surplus property pursuant to Local Government Code §263, Subchapter D. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Accounts Payable (No. 23)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve accounts payable. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Ratified Accounts Payable (No. 24)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve ratified accounts payable. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Budget Amendment Requests (No. 25)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to approve budget amendment requests. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Personnel Policy (No. 26)

None

## Payroll Report (No. 27)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to receive and ratify payroll reports. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

#### Jury Report (No. 28)

None

#### Executive/Closed Session

Judge Fowler announced the need for the court to go into executive/closed session to discuss a real estate matter with legal counsel in accordance with Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Government Code.

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to enter into executive session and authorize the judge to be the keeper of the minutes. Mr. Pilchiek seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

Judge Fowler announced that Commissioners Court has ended the executive session and the court returned to open session at 12:16 p.m.

#### Discussion and Potential Action (No. 3)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to taken no action on the commercial contract amendment with Texan Store Properties with regards to property on 33 FM Road 237 in Yorktown, Texas 78164. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve a bill of \$5,500.00 from Urban Surveying of Victoria, Texas for payment of the authorized project survey expense, said amount upon approval to be paid directly to said surveying firm by the county for property located at 33 FM Road 237 in Yorktown, Texas. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to cancel the closing scheduled on March 26, 2025 for closing of the real estate transaction for property at 33 FM Road 237 in Yorktown, Texas. Mr. Kaiser seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Request for Qualifications (No. 19)

No action taken.

# Courthouse/Annex/Museum Expenditures/Maintenance/Improvements (No. 29)

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve Kelley Property Care for Option C to clean the exterior windows, building and low pressure wash the roof for the total of \$26,841.00 plus the costs of a lift rental of \$2,400.00. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

MOTION: Mr. Varela made a motion to approve TK Elevator to repair the elevators in the county courthouse totally the amount of \$23,219.07. Mr. Carson seconded the motion. Motion carried on a vote of 5-0.

# Legislative Update (No. 30)

No Legislative update.

#### Discussion of Commissioner Precinct Operations (No. 31)

Commissioner Precinct No. 1 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 2 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 3 reported on normal precinct operations.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4 reported on the first 1½ mil of Emil Zielonka was paved; otherwise normal precinct operations.

#### Public Announcements/Comments (No. 32)

None

#### Adjourn (No. 33)

MOTION: Mr. Kaiser made a motion to adjourn. [Adjourned at 12:28 p.m.]

THE FOREGOING MINUTES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH A.D. 2025 WERE READ AND APPROVED IN REGULAR SESSION OF COURT ON THIS THE 14TH DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 2025.

DARYL L. FOWLER, COUNTY JUDGE

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