

**REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2016**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 12th day of September, A.D., 2016, the Commissioners Court of Lamb County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Lamb County Courthouse at Littlefield, Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:

JAMES M. DeLOACH, COUNTY JUDGE, PRESIDING, AND  
CORY DeBERRY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1,  
KENT LEWIS, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2,  
DANNY SHORT, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3,  
JIMMY YOUNG, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4 AND  
TONYA RITCHIE, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS COURT, WHEN THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS WAS TRANSACTED,  
TO WIT:

**ORDER NO. 1:**

James M. DeLoach, County Judge called the meeting to order.

**ORDER NO. 2:**

Consider and take appropriate action of amendment to the Tax Abatement Agreement with Blue Cloud Renewable Energy, LLC;

John Hall spoke regarding a 2 year extension with Blue Cloud Wind Energy. Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Kent Lewis to approve the amendment to the Tax Abatement Agreement with Blue Cloud Renewable Energy, LLC, contingent upon approval from attorney Bob Bass . The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO. 3:**

Consent agenda items;

- (a) Consider/approve minutes from previous meeting(s);
- (b) Consider/act on budget and salary amendments and/or line item transfers;
- (c) Consider/approve bills presented by the County Auditor;
- (d) Consider/approve payroll;
- (e) Consider/act on departmental reports

Brenda Goheen, Tax Assessor-Collector, August, 2016 Monthly Title and Motor Vehicle Registration Reports.

Becky DeBerry, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #1, August, 2016 Monthly Report.

Al Mann, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #3, August, 2016 Monthly Report.

Matt Hanna, Justice of the Peace, Precinct #4, August, 2016 Monthly Report.  
Mandi Seaton, CEA-FCS, July and August, 2016 Monthly Reports.  
Graham Henley, CEA-Ag, July, 2016 Monthly Report.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve the consent agenda items. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.3:**

Consider and take appropriate action on Public Hearing for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget;

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget at 10:25 a.m. There being no questions or comments from the Public, Judge DeLoach closed the Public Hearing for 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget at 10:28 a.m.

**ORDER NO.4:**

Consider and take appropriate action on Adoption of the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget;

Motion was made by Commissioner Cory DeBerry and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Young to adopt the 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.5:**

Consider and take appropriate action on 2016-2017 Fiscal Year Tax Rate;

Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young, as he read "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.7943, which is effectively a 3.588 percent increase in the tax rate and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short. Texas Tax Code 26.05(b)(1). The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.6:**

Consider and take appropriate action on Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget;

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny Short and seconded by Commissioner Jimmy Young to take appropriate action to Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.7:**

Consider and take appropriate action on sale of Lot 10 Block 50 in the Original Town of Amherst (R16296);

Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short take appropriate action on sale of Lot 10 Block 50 in the Original Town of Amherst (R16296). The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.8:**

Consider and take appropriate action on bury water line request in Precinct 4;

Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Kent Lewis to take appropriate action to bury water line request in Precinct 4. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.9:**

Consider and take appropriate action on bury water line request in Precinct 1;

Motion was made by Commissioner Cory DeBerry and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to take appropriate action to bury water line request in Precinct 1. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.10:**

Consider and take appropriate action to appoint Hospital Board Member;

Motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to appoint Patsy Bradley as the new Hospital Board Member. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.11:**

Acknowledge the resignation of the Lamb County CEA-RSC Agent;

Judge DeLoach read the resignation letter of CEA-RSC Agent Mandi Seaton, effective on September 30, 2016.

**ORDER NO.12:**

Budget Work Session;

No action taken.

**ORDER NO.13:**

Future agenda items were discussed.

**ORDER NO.14:**

Adjournment;

There being no further business to come before this Commissioners Court, motion was made by Commissioner Jimmy Young and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to adjourn. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

The above and foregoing minutes were read and approved in open Court, the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, A.D., 2016.

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James M. DeLoach  
Lamb County Judge

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Tonya Ritchie  
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk  
Of the Commissioners Court Lamb County, Texas