# **REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 14, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 14th day of August A.D., 2023, 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 LEE LOGAN, 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:

Judge James M. DeLoach called the meeting to order.

# **ORDER NO. 2:**

Public Comment (3 minutes max) - None

#### **ORDER NO.3:**

Consent agenda items;

- (a) Consider and take appropriate action on minutes from previous meeting(s); Regular Meeting, August 7, 2023
- (b) Consider and take appropriate action on budget and salary amendments and/or line item transfers; None
- (c) Consider and take appropriate action on bills presented by the County Auditor; Gina Jones
- (d) Consider and take appropriate action on payroll; None
- (e) Consider and take appropriate action on departmental reports; None

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

#### **ORDER NO.4:**

Consider and take appropriate action on out of state travel to Ruidoso, NM for Brandon Albus;

Motion was made by Commissioner Kent Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve out of state travel to Ruidoso, NM for Brandon Albus. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

### **ORDER NO.5**:

Consider and take appropriate action on emergency purchase of a vehicle for the Agri-Life Extension Office due to availability;

Motion was made by Commissioner Kent Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Cory DeBerry to approve emergency purchase of a vehicle for the Agri-Life Extension Office due to availability. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

#### ORDER NO.6:

Consider and take appropriate action on roadway agreement with Lazbuddie Wind Energy, LLC;

Motion was made by Commissioner Kent Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Lee Logan to approve action on roadway agreement with Lazbuddie Wind Energy, LLC. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

#### **ORDER NO.7:**

Consider and take appropriate action on Burn Ban;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve the Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning for 90 days, effective today. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

#### **ORDER NO.8:**

Consider and take appropriate action to reconsider the Proposed Tax Rate;

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny Short and seconded by Commissioner Lee Logan to reconsider the Proposed Tax Rate to .7460, the Voter approved rate. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

# **ORDER NO.9:**

Discuss Lamb Healthcare Center operations;

Cindy Pope absent.

Lamb Healthcare Center has scheduled Board meeting tomorrow, August 15, 2023.

# **ORDER NO 10:**

Future agenda items;

Clerk's Yearly Archive fee plans on next agenda 11-7-2023 Texas Constitutional Amendments Election Order on next agenda Bulldog Drive in Amherst repairs discussed Extension Office reported numbers of attendees to recent events

# ORDER NO 11:

Recess;

Recess until 9:30A.M.

### **ORDER NO 12:**

Budget work session;

Discussion regarding Elected Officials salaries.

District Attorney will generate a statement for employees affected by SB22 and tie in the Commissioner's Court

Discussed installing costs for a kitchen area in the Littlefield Library.

### **ORDER NO 13:**

Consider and take appropriate action on setting salaries for Elected Officials;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve setting the Lamb County Sheriff's Salary at \$75,000.00 yearly and setting Elected Officials a \$4,000.00 yearly increase in salary. The vote being called for and four voting Aye, and one voting Nay, the motion carried and so ordered.

# **ORDER NO.14:**

Adjournment;

There being no further business to come before this Commissioners Court, motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan 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., 2023.

James M. DeLoach
Lamb County Judge

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