

**REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 28, 2023**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this 28<sup>th</sup> 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 21, 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
- (f) [Consider and take appropriate action on JPO –Special budget for grant Revenue; For Juvenile Probation Detention and Supplemental & Emergent supplies and upgrades](#)
- (g) [Consider and take appropriate action on JPO Certification of Grant Revenue after the start of Fiscal Year;\\$98,275.00 for Juvenile Probation Detention and \\$12,600.00 for Juvenile Probation Supplemental and Emergent](#)

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 to change the classification of a part-time position in the Tax Assessors office from Temporary to Permanent;

Motion was made by Commissioner Cory DeBerry and seconded by Commissioner Lee Logan to approve to change the classification of a part-time position in the Tax Assessors office from Temporary to Permanent. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.5:**

Consider and take appropriate action on opening a Credit Card Account to Costco for County purchases;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve opening a Credit Card Account to Costco for County purchases. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.6:**

Consider and take appropriate action on request from LHC to fund a IGT for approximately 4 weeks;

Motion was made by Commissioner Kent Lewis and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve action on request from LHC to fund a IGT for approximately 4 weeks. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.7:**

Acknowledge receipt of Adult Probation CSCD Budget;

Ben Diaz presented the Adult Probation CSCD Budget.

**ORDER NO.8:**

Acknowledge receipt of County Auditors Budget;

Judge Say approved County Auditors Budget last week.

**ORDER NO.9:**

Discuss Lamb Healthcare Center operations;

Dylan Brown gave Lamb Healthcare Center financials report

**ORDER NO.10:**

Public Hearing for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget;

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing at 9:22am

County Auditor, Gina Jones stated the Budget reflects an increase in utility expenses, Tax Assessor Collector employee from Temporary part time to Permanent part time, District Clerk travel expenses, Rural Fires and paving a road in Sudan in Precinct 4.

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing at 9:26am

**ORDER NO.11:**

[Consider and take appropriate action on Adoption of the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget;](#)

Motion was made by Commissioner Danny Short and seconded by Commissioner Lee Logan to approve Adoption of the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget. The vote being called for and four voting Aye, and one voting Nay, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.12:**

Public Hearing for 2023 Tax Rate;

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing at 9:29am

County Auditor stated the property tax rate of 0.7460 is the Voter Approved Rate, which is the rate it can be increased without an Election.

Judge DeLoach opened the Public Hearing at 9:34am

**ORDER NO.13:**

[Consider and take appropriate action on Adoption of the 2023 Tax Rate;](#)

Motion was made by Commissioner Cory DeBerry and seconded by Commissioner Danny Short to approve Adoption of the 2023 Tax Rate of 0.7460. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO.14:**

Consider and take appropriate action to Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the FY 2023-2024 Budget;

Motion was made by Commissioner Lee Logan and seconded by Commissioner Kent Lewis to approve to Ratify Property Tax Increase Reflected in the FY 2023-2024 Budget. The vote being called for and all voting Aye, the motion carried and so ordered.

**ORDER NO 15:**

Future agenda items;

Future agenda items were discussed.  
Commissioner’s Court will meet on Regular Schedule beginning in September to every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 10:00am

**ORDER NO.16:**

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