

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF LYNN

On this, the 13th day of November, 2023, the Lynn County Commissioner's Court of Lynn County met in a Regular Called meeting at 9:30 a.m., at the regular meeting place thereof in the County Court Room in the Courthouse in Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, with the following members of court, to wit:

Mike Braddock
Matt Woodley
John Hawthorne
Don Blair
Larry Durham
Karen Strickland

County Judge
Commissioner, Precinct One
Commissioner, Precinct Two
Commissioner, Precinct Three
Commissioner, Precinct Four
County Clerk and Ex Officio
Clerk of the Court

Commissioner's Woodley, Hawthorne and Blair, Durham and Judge Braddock were present, and the following member(s) absent: (none), constituting a quorum of the Court present, at which time the following business, among other proceedings, was had:

County Judge, Mike Braddock, started the meeting with the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags, and County Commissioner, Matt Woodley, lead the invocation.

2. Public Comments pertaining to agenda items

County Judge gave the public an opportunity to discuss any related agenda items. No one from the public addressed the court.

3. Discuss and act upon Settlement Agreement between Lynn County and McBride's over County Road Nora

County Judge stated that the County and McBride's came to an agreement, which was the County will take of the road and the McBride's will take care of their property. Commissioner Woodley made a motion with Commissioner Durham seconding the motion to accept the agreement between the County and McBride's. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

4. Discuss and act upon accepting registration fees from Frank Brown Auto

Judge Braddock stated that there was a person here in town that had bought a vehicle and questioned that the tax be paid here in the county and that did not happen. Frank Brown has sent the County a check for the vehicle to be registered here in the County for 2 (two) years. The check equals a sum of \$184.50. Commissioner Blair made the motion with Commissioner Woodley seconding that motion to accept the registration fees. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

5. Discuss and act upon Final Plat for Deuce of Hearts Ranch Subdivision

Judge Braddock asked if anyone had any questions or concerns about the subdivision. There were not any questions or concerns. Commissioner Durham made the motion with Commissioner Hawthorne seconding the motion to accept the Final Plat for Deuce of Hearts Ranch Subdivision. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

6. Discuss and act upon Lynn County Game Room Regulations

Judge Braddock stated that there have been multiple inquiries about Game Rooms within the County. He (Judge Braddock) has come forth with Regulations if anyone wants to open a Game Room in the County. They will have to abide by the Regulations and fill out an application. Judge Braddock also stated that himself and the County Attorney have looked over the Regulations and everything seems to be order and there are no problems with them. Commissioner Hawthorne made the motion and Commissioner Blair seconded the motion to accept the Game Room Regulations for the County. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

7. Discuss and Act upon opening sealed bids on a 1993 Ford Pick-up and 2006 GMC Pick-up

Judge Braddock opened the first sealed bid, it was for the 1993 Ford pick-up for Precinct 1. The bid was for \$500.00 from John Arrington. Commissioner Woodley accepted the bid and made the motion and Commissioner Durham seconded the motion to accept the bid of \$500.00 from John Arrington for the 1993 Ford Pick-up. Motion carried, all voted in favor. The next sealed bid was for the 2006 GMC Pick-up for Precinct 2. The bid was \$350.00 from Leandro Martinez. Commissioner Hawthorne accepted the bid and made the motion and Commissioner Woodley seconded the motion to accept the \$350.00 bid from Leandro Martinez for the 2006 GMC Pick-up. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

8. Discuss and act upon name change on Clayton Homes Subdivision to Prairie Winds Subdivision

Judge Braddock stated that this subdivision was first put in as Clayton Homes, but they have decided to change the name to Prairie Winds. They have presented the correct paperwork to have the Subdivision's named changed from Clayton Homes to Prairie Winds. Commissioner Durham made the motion with Commissioner Blair seconding that motion to accept the name change for Clayton Homes to now be Prairie Winds. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

9. Discuss and act upon Preliminary Plat for Prairie Winds Subdivision

Judge Braddock stated that the paperwork for this subdivision has been looked at and Zach Holbrook has gone and inspected and looked over everything and has signed off on the plat stating everything is good. Commissioner Hawthorne made the motion and Commissioner Blair seconded that motion to accept the Preliminary Plat for Prairie Winds Subdivision. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

10. Discuss and act upon opening a checking account for Lynn County Child Welfare Board under Lynn County tax id number

Lynn County Treasurer, Amy Schuknecht stated that when Happy State Bank and First National Bank combined, the tax id numbers merged with Christmas for Kids. There was an account with First Bank and Trust that was under Lynn County Tax ID number, it was supposed to reconciled every month and it was not. Now that Lynn County is moving everything over to Happy State Bank, Amy is wanting to be able to be responsible for reconciling that account. To be able to do that, we need to open up an account with the correct name being Lynn County Child Welfare Board. The signage on the account is now Judge Braddock, County Judge, Amy Schuknecht, County Treasurer, and Mackenzi Reynolds, County Treasurer

Deputy. Amy also stated that First Bank and Trust was charging a service fee, she recovered those fees and moved all the money from that account and put it in the old account, until the new account is made. Commissioner Woodley made the motion and Commissioner Durham seconded the motion to open a checking account for Lynn County Child Welfare Board under Lynn County Tax ID number and Amy to take care of the account. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

11. Consider and act upon Budget Amendments

County Treasurer stated there were no budget amendments to act upon.

12. Approve County Finance Reports

County Treasurer stated there was no County Finance report to approve.

13. Approve Bonds

County Clerk stated there were no bonds to be approved.

14. Sheriff's Office to give report

Sheriff Mason gave the report on Inmate Totals, as follows:

- 35 – Total in the Lynn County Jail
- 15 – Lynn County inmates
- 16 – Lubbock County Inmates
- 1 – Cochran County Inmates

15. Approve and pay claims and payroll against the County

Commissioner Blair made the motion and Commissioner Durham seconded that motion to approve and pay claims and payroll against the county. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

Addition #1. Discuss and act upon canvassing November 7, 2023 Amendment Election

County Clerk, Karen Strickland, had the unofficial election results from the November 7th Election. She stated that the canvassing of the votes had to be done before November 20th. Commissioner Woodley asked why there were numbers marked through and Karen stated that she had received the mail in ballot that morning, but it was post-dated October 27. Therefore, the vote counted, and that is why the numbers changed. Each Commissioner and County Judge looked over the results and signed the results. Commissioner Woodley made the motion and Commissioner Durham seconded the motion to accept the results and approve the canvass. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

*Commissioner Don Blair made the motion and Commissioner Hawthorne seconded the motion to go into Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.074 at 9:58 a.m. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

*Commissioner Woodley made the motion and Commissioner Hawthorne seconded the motion to adjourn Executive Session at 10:31 a.m. Motion carried, all voted in favor.

Judge Braddock stated there was no action taken when in Executive Session.

16. Discuss any other item pertaining to County Business for informational purposes only, no action may be taken on these items except to schedule them for future agenda.

Amy, County Treasurer, asked all Commissioners to send her pictures with the VIN Number's to each precinct pick-ups and maintainers. She is having a hard time matching which VIN number goes to which vehicle or maintainer. She needs this to make sure the insurance is correct. She is also working on getting the title for the Dump Trailer. She, also stated that if anyone is wanting to have a notary in their office, to go through an attorney to get it. Do not go online and try to register for it.

17. Adjourn or Recess meeting

Commissioner Woodley made the motion and Commissioner Hawthorne seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 a.m. Motion carried, all voted in favor.