

The regular session of Commissioners' Court of Trinity County was held Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 9:00 am in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 162 West 1st street, Trinity County Courthouse, Groveton, Texas, with the following members present:

Doug Page, County Judge
Grover (Tiger) Worsham, Commissioner Pct. 1
Mike Loftin, Commissioner Pct. 2
Neal Smith Commissioner, Pct. 3
Steven Truss, Commissioner, Pct. 4

1. County Judge Doug Page called the meeting to order at 9:00 am and noted that the agenda was properly filed and posted at 1:45 P.M., August 6, 2020. All Commissioners were present, other officials' present included, Auditor Bonnie Kennedy Constable Pct 1 Tommy Park, County Attorney Joe Bell, Treasurer Bob Dockens, JP 1 Danny Martin, JP 4 Richard Steptoe, Tax Assessor Collector Lindy Warren, District Clerk Kristen Raiford, and County Clerk Shasta Bergman, Judge Page welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Commissioner Loftin led the group in an opening prayer and Judge Page led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags.
3. Public Forum.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the July 28, 2020 Regular Session and August 3, 2020 Special Session was made by a motion from Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Loftin. Motion carried.
5. Hear Presentation from PHI Representatives Regarding Medi-Vac Services for Trinity County.
6. Discuss and Act on PHI Membership Contract to be Effective 10/1/2020 and Placed into Fiscal Year 2021 Budget under Health and Welfare. A motion was made by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Truss to table this item until August 25, 2020 Regular Session. Motion carried.
7. Conduct a Public Hearing on Petition from Resident Property Owners on McQueen Road in Precinct 4 for Trinity County to Assume Maintenance of McQueen Road from its end, Approximately 320 Feet.
8. Discuss and Act on Petition from Resident Property Owners on McQueen Road in Precinct 4 for Trinity County to Assume Maintenance of McQueen Road from its end, a Distance of Approximately 320 Feet. No action taken.

9. Discuss and Act on Official Bonds. None presented.
10. Discuss and Act on Pauper Funeral Payment.
11. Approval of Personnel Action Forms as presented was made by a motion from Commissioner Worsham and seconded by Commissioner Truss. Motion carried.
12. Approval of Complete Check Register for July 2020 was made by a motion from Commissioner Worsham and seconded by Commissioner Loftin. Motion carried.
13. Approval of Budget Amendments as presented was made by a motion from Commissioner Loftin and seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.
14. Receive Auditor's Report on TAC Unfunded Mandates Survey 2020.
15. Approval to Authorize County Auditor to Arrange Redemption of Certificates of Obligations Held with Texas Independent Bankers Prior to Maturity Dates Effective September 2020 with I&S Funds was made by a motion from Commissioner Worsham and seconded by Commissioner Smith. Motion carried.
16. Approval to Revise Purchasing Policy 1C-6 to Include Statement Regarding County Purchase of Replacement Culverts on the County Road Right-Away Allowing Commissioners' to Advise Owners of Replacement Cost to Be Invoiced Prior to Installation was made by a motion from Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Loftin. Motion carried.
17. Receive Information, Announcements and Reports from County Departments. Update on COVID19 given by Richard Steptoe.
18. Approval of Resolution Regarding the 2020 Tax Roll Received from Trinity County Appraisal District in Accordance with Property Tax Code Section 26.04 was made by a motion from Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Worsham. Motion carried.
19. Submission of the No New Revenue (Effective) and Voter-Approval (Rollback) Rates for Tax Year 2020.
20. Discuss Drought Conditions in Trinity County.
21. Discuss and Act on Finding that Circumstances Present in the Unincorporated Areas of the County Create a Public Safety Hazard That Would be Exacerbated by Outdoor Burning. No action

22. Discuss and Approve an Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in Trinity County. No action.

23.. Budget Workshop on the preparation of the FY 2021 Trinity County Budget.

24. With no further business to come before the Commissioner's Court, court adjourned with a motion from Commissioner Loftin and seconded by Commissioner Worsham. Motion carried.

Doug Page, County Judge

Grover (Tiger) Worsham, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Michael Loftin, Commissioner Pct. 2

Neal Smith, Commissioner Pct. 3

Steven Truss, Commissioner Pct. 4

Attest: _____
Shasta Bergman, Trinity County Clerk