

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MCCULLOCH

REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 26, 2019

The Commissioner's Court of McCulloch County met in Regular Session on the 26th day of August, 2019 with the following present:

Bill Spiller	County Judge
Jim Quinn	Commissioner Pct. #1
Randy Deans	Commissioner Pct. #2
Jason Behrens	Commissioner Pct. #3
Rick Kemp	Commissioner Pct. #4
Christine A. Jones	County Clerk
Steven Estes	County Treasurer

Citizens of McCulloch County expressed concerns over the proposed tax rate increase, the Court thanked all citizens for their comments and concerns and will take all under advisement.

Minutes from the Commissioner Court on August 12, 2019 were approved with Commissioner Behrens making the motion and Commissioner Kemp seconded.
All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

Minutes from the Commissioner Court on August 19, 2019 were approved with Commissioner Quinn making the motion and Commissioner Behrens seconded.
All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

Minutes from the Commissioner Court on August 21, 2019 were approved with Commissioner Deans making the motion and Commissioner Kemp seconded. Commissioner Quinn abstained from this vote, he was not at this meeting. All in favor Motion carried. 4-0

Bills for August 26, 2019 were presented and approved with Commissioner Quinn making the motion and Commissioner Behrens seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0

County Treasurer Steven Estes informed the court that the Department of Labor had been called on McCulloch County and would be there Wednesday to do an investigation. Mr. Estes also informed the Court that there was a mandatory open enrollment meeting to be held August 28, 2019 at the Law Enforcement Center.

Michelle Pitcox District Clerk of McCulloch County spoke to the court and gave them rough numbers on the cost of the CPS trial that was just finished in hopes they would understand the importance of her budget for any upcoming big trials.

Open Public Hearing on Archive Fees for District Clerk's office was opened with Mrs. Pitcox stating she would like the court to uphold and remain the collection of \$10.00 in her office to help build the fee for future restoration of records and books in her office.

Open Public Hearing on McCulloch County FY 2019-2020 Proposed budget was opened with several concerns voiced over the tax rate. James Stewart for the local paper asked questions on the changes to the proposed budget that were not discussed or revealed to department heads and County Judge Bill Spiller responded with the changes were done by him and on his discretion but the total number did not change at all.

Open Public Hearing on the McCulloch County FY 2019-2020 Proposed Tax Rate was open with Zane Brandenberger speaking to the court on the Tax Rate. Commissioner Quinn suggested that the Court take a closer at the contingency line item and see if Tax Rate could be cut a little.

Discussion:

Action:

1. The District Clerks Archive Fee will remain at the \$10.00 fee for FY 2019-2020 with Commissioner Behrens making the motion and Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor Motion carried. 5-0
2. The Court agreed to the 3% pay raise for Elected Officials. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Quinn seconded. Commissioner Behrens voted against the raise. Motion carried. 4-1
3. The McCulloch County FY proposed budget was discussed with concerns and suggestions of the \$132,000 being cut from the contingency and Commissioner Behrens wanting to cut the Proposed Tax Rate of \$.80 by .2 1/2 cents. Commissioner Deans made a motion to cut tax rate from \$.80 to \$.78 and taking money out of the proposed contingency budget to balance the 2019-2020 FY budget. Commissioner Quinn seconded the motion. All in favor motion carried. 5-0

RECESS FOR ONE (1) HOUR FOR FEMA WORKSHOP MEETING

Commissioner Quinn whom is the Judge Pro-Team opened the meeting on 8/26/2019 @ 11:00 A.M.

1. Review eligibility of damages to CR 340 project # 106815 DI # 279710 and CR 356 project #106817 DI #279715. FEMA states roads have not been maintained since before disaster so they cannot be claimed on project.
 2. FEMA is asking for maintenance records for all roads claimed in the reconstruction project. They want to review missing EEI projects. They state that none of the roads are at 100% complete in order to turn in to get monies to the County. They still have Site inspections to do on roads. They also want documentation on labor and equipment used to work on the roads.
 3. FEMA informed commissioners to keep record of Cat Z time even when having meetings.
- FEMA need documentation for Project #94615 Precinct #3. If County can get paperwork done and in it will move much quicker and easier for McCulloch County and get monies faster.

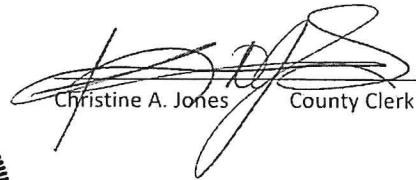
MOVED BACK TO REGULAR SESSION

4. The Interlocal Agreement with Brown County for Juvenile pre-adjudication detention services was passed with a motion by Commissioner Quinn with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0
5. The Interlocal Agreement with Taylor County for Juvenile pre-adjudication detention services was passed with a motion by Commissioner Deans with Commissioner Kemp seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0
6. The Interlocal Agreement with Tom Green County for detention services was passed with a motion by Commissioner Quinn with Commissioner Deans seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0
7. The Interlocal Agreement with Lubbock County for the Regional Public Defender for Capital cases program was passed with a motion by Commissioner Quinn with Commissioner Behrens seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0

8. Budget amendment for FY 2018-2019 to receive and expense revenue from the Texas Association of Counties for Surplus Distribution in the amount of \$4,697.12 was approved with Commissioner Deans making the motion and seconded by Commissioner Kemp. All in favor motion carried. 5-0
9. Deputy Sheriff William Koch addressed the court on an outstanding balance due for dependent children from his past employment. He explained to the court that he was not notified in a timely manner and felt it unfair to ask him to pay. County Attorney Mark Marshall spoke to the court and informed the court there was no legal way to get Mr. Koch to pay and that the county was liable and would just have to make up the cost and make provisions within the county handbook. No action taken.
10. The Memorandum of Understanding between McCulloch County and Concho County to house inmates in the McCulloch County Jail was presented and passed with Commissioner Behrens making the motion and Commissioner Kemp seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0
11. Commissioner Rick Kemp spoke with the court about moving one school zone sign south of the school and implement a 20 MPH sign from 190 to the school zone. Commissioner Deans made the motion with Commissioner Behrens seconded. All in favor motion carried. 5-0

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned with Commissioner Deans making the motion and seconded by Commissioner Behrens. All in favor motion carried. 5-0


Bill J Spiller County Judge


Christine A. Jones County Clerk

