

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ANGELINA**

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. at the Angelina County Courthouse Annex, Commissioners' Courtroom, 606 East Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, Texas with the following members present:

Don Lymbery	County Judge
Rodney Paulette	Commissioner Precinct #1
Kermit Kennedy	Commissioner Precinct #2
Terry Pitts	Commissioner Precinct #3
Steve Smith	Commissioner Precinct #4

1. Judge Don Lymbery called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. with all members present.
2. Opening prayer by Chaplin Ray Vann, Lufkin, Texas.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Flag of the State of Texas.
4. Public Forum: None
5. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Court Minutes for January 11, 2022 and January 18, 2022. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
6. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the annual grant application with Deep East Texas Council of Government (DETCOG) for a Solid Waste Contract with Texas Commission of Environment Quality (TCEQ); authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Steve Smith seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
7. Steve Smith made a motion to approve the final plat of the JD Timber & Land Highway 147 Subdivision No. 1, Lot 1, 2nd Revision in Precinct #4. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
8. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a Resolution and Policies pertaining to Civil Rights as required by the ARPA-SLFRF Agreement; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

9. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a Resolution authorizing the use of ARPA-SLFRF Funds; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
10. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the procurement of engineering and/or architectural service provider(s) for ARPA-SLFRF projects. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
11. Steve Smith made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report, month ending December 31, 2021. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
12. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve a contract addendum between Angelina County and Network Communications Int'l Corp (NCIC), the inmate telephone vendor; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
13. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a contract between Angelina County and the Army Corp. of Engineers for increased law enforcement for a part of Sam Rayburn Reservoir lying within Angelina County for the purpose of enforcement of State and Local Criminal and Civil Laws; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Steve Smith seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
14. Rodney Paulette explained the pay issues with some of the employees of the Sheriff's Office and jail. It was discussed to move forward and add it to the next agenda to be corrected. Janice Cordray, County Auditor, recommended taking the funds from the Covid-19 Reimbursement Fund.
15. Rodney Paulette made a motion to correct the Court Bailiffs' pay and pull it from the Security Fund, retroactive January 1, 2022. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

16. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the Early Voting Polling places be changed for the General Primary Democratic/Republican Election due to scheduling conflicts with the existing polling places. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

17. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Election Day Polling place be changed for the General Primary Democratic/Republican Election due to scheduling conflicts with the existing polling place. Steve Smith seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

18. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the following, with appropriate signatures:

List of Presiding Judges and Alternate Judges for both Parties
Joint Election Contracts signed from the Democratic & Republican Parties
Notice of General Primary Election, Democratic & Republican Parties
Early Voting Locations and Hours
Designation of Deputy Early Voting Clerks
Assistant Tabulation Supervisor for the Central Counting Station
Order Calling for Signature Verification Committee for both Parties
Notice of Appointment of Signature Verification Committee for both Parties
Notice of Delivery of Early Voting Balloting Materials
Notice of Delivery of Ballots Voted by Mail
Public Notice of Test of Automatic Tabulating Equipment
Notification of Election Training Program
Notice of Convening of Early Voting Ballot Board for both Parties

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Steve Smith abstained.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

19. Terry Pitts made a motion to reauthorize the paid, discretionary leave for County Employees, during the calendar year 2022, to cover COVID-19 related illness, treatment and/or quarantine requirements, retroactive January 1, 2022; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: Rodney Paulette
Motion carried.

20. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the Resolution to the Angelina County Employees Benefit Plan concerning (COVID-19) testing reimbursement, Option 3, without the reimbursement; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

21. Rodney Paulette made a motion to auction the two (2) motor graders located in Precinct #4. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

22. Terry Pitts made a motion to leave Wright Road as a private road. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

23. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a 2021 budget transfer request from the County Landfill:

Transfer from:	Capital Outlay	080-180-4995	\$495.00
Transfer to:	Gas Landfill	080-180-4703	\$475.00
	Dues & Publications	080-180-4226	\$ 20.00

Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

24. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the miscellaneous and routine items submitted by the Unit Road System, Justice of the Peace Precincts #1 and #3, County Treasurer, Tax Assessor-Collector and AgriLife Extension. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

25. Terry Pitts made a motion to pay the bills as submitted by the County Auditor. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

26. The Court entered into Executive Session at 11:57 A.M.

27. The Court returned to open meeting at 12:49 P.M.

Terry Pitts made a motion to not take any action on any item discussed in Executive Session. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith

Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

28. Terry Pitts made a motion to adjourn at 12:50 P.M. Steve Smith seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

I, Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners' Court Minutes for January 25, 2022 on this 26th day of January, 2022.



Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk

