## THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ANGELINA

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 27, 2021 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

1. Judge Don Lymbery called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

- 2. Opening prayer by Rev. David Hunt, Eastview United Pentecostal Church, 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: Brian Zbylot spoke in favor of the Azalea Springs Solar Park LLC.
- 5. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 6, 2021. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

6. Rodney Paulette made a motion to award the bid for construction of Cell L at the Angelina County Waste Management Center to the recommended bidder, MICA Enterprises. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

- 7. Phil Alexander presented photographs and discussed issues with Quincy Drive and Laura Lane in Little John Subdivision. Rodney Paulette explained that there are drainage issues and they need new culverts before the roads can be repaired.
- 8. Rodney Paulette made a motion to refuse accepting Bourrous Drive until brought up to County specifications. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

  Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

9. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve allowing Hilton Henson, Maintenance Director, on getting Goodwin-Lasiter-Strong to provide architectural services to complete the layout and drawings necessary for bidding and construction on the modification of current Law Library. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

10. The Angelina County Commissioners' Court opened a Public Hearing in reference to the Angelina County Clerk's 2022 Archival Plan.

Charles Nick spoke about the County's finances.

- 11. Closed Public Hearing.
- 12. Rodney Paulette made a motion approve the Angelina County Clerk's 2022 Archival Plan. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

13. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Angelina County Investment Report, quarter ending June 30, 2021. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

14. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report, month ending June 30, 2021. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

15. Rodney Paulette made a motion to table any action on the Angelina County Credit Card Policy until a later date. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

16. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lufkin, Texas and County of Angelina, Texas to provide four X25P Tasers and battery packs to the Sheriff's Office from the JAG funds; with the proper signatures. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

17. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve Chad Wilson, Constable for Precinct #3, to hire a non-paid Reserve Deputy. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

- 18. The Angelina County Commissioners' Court opened a Public Hearing in reference to the continuation of the Angelina County District Clerk's Plan for S.B. 1985 Archiving and Restoration of Historical Records Books.
- 19. Closed Public Hearing.
- 20. (Agenda Item #21) Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the continuation of the Angelina County District Clerk Plan for S.B. 1685 Archiving and Restoration of Historical Records Books. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

21. (Agenda Item #20) Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement between Angelina County and Azalea Springs Solar Park LLC; authorized the Judge to sign. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

22. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the bid on trust property, Account No. 51942, Lot 8, Clock 21, Wagon Companys Addition, City of Lufkin, Angelina County, Texas. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

23. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the FY '22-'23 Interlocal Agreement for E9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point Service (PSAP) between Angelina County and Deep East Texas Council of Government. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

24. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the FY '22-'23 Interlocal Agreement for GIS & NG9-1-1 Automatic Location Information Maintenance Services between Angelina County and Deep East Texas Council of Government. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

25. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve requesting Unclaimed Property Capital Credit for Counties from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts; authorized Judge to sign. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

26. Rodney Paulette made a motion to table the discussion/action on approving the service agreement with eHealth Screenings. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

27. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Insurance Committee to amend the Angelina County Benefit Plan to include the renewal of the AscellaHealth Program with changes that include a 50% reduction of benefits and adding an alternate funding program. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

28. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Insurance Committee to renew the contract with HelpMD for tele-medicine at an annual cost of \$96 per employee. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

29. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the FYE 12/31/20 Audit Report from Axley & Rode, LLP. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

30. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve to advertise for bids for Angelina County Road & Bridge for the following:

Gasoline & Diesel

Cold Patch & Asphalt Products

Rock, Gravel & Crushed Concrete

Road Oil

Culverts

Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

31. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from the Angelina County Airport:

Transfer from: Cost of Fuel Sales 083-183-4304 \$50,000.00 Transfer to: Capital Outlay 083-183-4995 \$50,000.00

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

32. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from the Angelina County Landfill:

080-180-4512 500.00 Transfer from: Pollution Liability Insurance 500.00 Newspaper Advertising 080-180-4646 Transfer to:

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

33. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from the Angelina County Airport:

400.00 010-075-4615 Transfer from: Office Supplies Newspaper Advertising 010-075-4646 400.00 Transfer to:

Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from Constable Precinct #1:

010-020-4615 800.00 Transfer from: Office Supplies R&M Patrol Equipment 010-020-4306 800.00 Transfer to:

Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

34. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the monthly reports from the Tax Assessor-Collector, Justice of the Peace #1 and #3, and AgriLife Extension-Cary Sims, Joel Redus and Ryan Merrel. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

35. Terry Pitts made a motion to pay the bills as submitted by the County Auditor. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

36. Terry Pitts made a motion to recess at 11:48 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. for Budget

Workshop. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

The Court entered back into Open Session at 1:30 P.M. on July 27, 2021.

## 37. Budget Workshop:

The Court discussed the proposed budget and made some changes, including:

- decreasing Precinct #2 Constable's office supplies to \$800 and Precinct #3's to \$500
- decreasing the Sheriff's Department's fuel to \$165,000
- increasing the Election Administrator's Chief Deputy's salary \$2,080 and the Election Administrator's salary \$1,000
- adding \$7,500 to Alliance for Children, CASA and ADAC
- increasing Economic Development to \$22,500 and the Expo Center to \$20,000
- adding \$1,000 to Upper Neches, \$500 to Pineywoods Resource and \$400 to Regional Water

Rodney Paulette made a motion to recess until Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 A.M. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

The Court entered back into Open Session at 9:00 A.M. on July 28, 2021.

## Budget Workshop:

The Court discussed the proposed budget and made changes to the Road & Bridge budget, including:

- decreasing the equipment rental from \$92,459 to \$10,000
- moving the Commissioners' Administrative Assistant to the Unit Road System
- moving \$3,000 to the Commissioners' utility telephone and changing the Unit Road System to \$7,000 in utility telephone
- changing dues from \$200 to \$100
- changing training personnel to \$3,500
- that left the budget for Road & Bridge at \$587,695 in the red
- the Judge proposed using the tax note to balance it
- hard Top Roads was reduced to \$266,739 to balance the Road & Bridge budget

The Court then discussed the general fund budget and the following changes:

• changing the Commissioners dues from \$200 to \$100

- increasing the salary for 11 positions in the County Attorney's Office an extra \$1,000
- increasing the Administrative Assistant for the Unit Road System and the Court Coordinator for the County Judge to \$40,917
- transferring \$40,917 to hard top roads, making the total \$306,463, to balance the General Fund Budget

Discussion on transferring \$1,000,000 from the fund balance to the Landfill to pay back for money borrowed from the general fund.

38. Rodney Paulette made a motion to adjourn at 11:28 A.M. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

I, Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 27, 2021 on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk