## **AMENDED**

## THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ANGELINA

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 10, 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
Steve Smith Commissioner Precinct #4

- 1. Judge Don Lymbery called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. with all members present and introduced the new Commissioner for Precinct #4, Steve Smith.
- 2. Opening prayer by Terry Pitts, Commissioner Precinct #4.
- 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 July 22, 2021. 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 Commissioners' Court Minutes for July 27, 2021. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

7. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the final plat of the Rowland Estates in Precinct #1. Kermit Kennedy 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 the final plat of Colby Morehead Subdivision No. 14 in Precinct #1. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

9. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the final plat of the Cory Morehead Subdivision No. 12 in Precinct #3. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith Voted Against: (None) Motion carried.

10. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the Sheriff's and Constable's Fees for Civil Process and other services for Fiscal Year 2022. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

11. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the designation of the Tax Assessor-Collector to calculate annual tax rates for Angelina County; authorized Judge Lymbery to sign order. Kermit Kennedy 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 approve new guidelines for county employees with COVID-19 infection or exposure. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion. Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

13. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the provided list of Presiding and Alternate Judges for the Republican and Democratic Parties from August 1, 2021 to August 1, 2022; authorized the Court to sign. Terry Pitts seconded the motion. Steve Smith abstained from voting.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

14. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Order of Special Election for the Constitutional Amendment Election to be held on November 2, 2021; authorized the Court to sign. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

15. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Early Voting List and Election Day List of Judges and Alternate Judges for the November 2, 2021 Constitutional Amendments Election, with the proper signatures. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion. Steve Smith abstained from voting.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy and Terry Pitts

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

16. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Notice of Appointment of Signature Verification Committee and Assistant Tabulation Supervisor for the Central Counting Station for the November 2, 2021 Constitutional Amendments Election. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

17. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the Imposition of Optional Fees for the Year 2022 from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicle. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Motion carried.

18. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from Road & Bridge:

Transfer from:	Hard Top Road	035-135-4803	\$40,000.00
Transfer to:	R&M Equipment	035-135-4311	\$40,000.00

Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

19. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from Angelina County Indigent Health Care:

Transfer from:	Office Supplies	010-035-4615	\$600.00
Transfer to:	Conference & Training	010-035-4248	\$600.00

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

20. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a budget transfer request from Angelina County Landfill:

Transfer from:	Pollution Liability Ins.	080-180-4512	\$1,000.00
Transfer to:	Newspaper Advertising	080-180-4646	\$1,000.00

Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

21. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Angelina County Landfill to go out for bids on approximately thirty-two acres of timber. Rodney Paulette 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 approve the monthly report from the Tax Assessor-Collector. 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 pay the bills as submitted by the County Auditor. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.

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

- 24. The Court entered into Executive Session at 10:28 A.M.
- 25. The Court returned to Open Session at 11:04 A.M. Rodney Paulette made a motion to appoint Chuck Walker as the Road Engineer for Angelina County beginning on August 30, 2021 with an annual salary of \$95,000, with the appointment being effective upon him taking the official oath of office and giving a bond in the amount of \$5,000. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Steve Smith and Don Lymbery Voted Against: Terry Pitts and Kermit Kennedy Motion carried.

26. Terry Pitts made a motion to recess at 11:06 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. for Budget Workshop. Rodney Paulette seconded the motion.
Voted For: Rodney Paulette, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Steve Smith Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

The Court entered back into Open Session at 1:30 P.M.

## 27. Budget Workshop:

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

- correcting the Precinct #1 Constable's budget
- taking out the amount of values for properties under protest that had been added twice
- correcting the amount for Economic Development Grant Tax Rebate
- adding \$41,516 to capital outlay for the Sheriff's Department

- increasing the raise for the Professional Standards Officer to \$4,160 in the Sheriff's Department
- increasing the raise for the part-time employees at the Angelina County Airport to \$2,080
- deducting the salary for the District Judges to \$12,690
- transferring 20% of the Unit Road Administrative Assistant's salary to the Commissioners' budget
- changing the salary of the Road Engineer to \$95,000
- adding \$20,000 to Cassels-Boykin Park
- increasing the capital outlay for Emergency Management to \$37,000
- taking out the raises for the County Judge, County Commissioner Precinct #1
   and County Commissioner Precinct #4 (per their request)
- adding the \$4,160 raise to the two positions that the Sheriff is cutting to distribute to other positions

After all changes are made, the amount left over will go to hardtop roads.

28. Rodney Paulette made a motion to approve the proposed tax rate of .43712 for the 2022 proposed budget. Steve Smith seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

29. Rodney Paulette made a motion to adjourn at 3:47 P.M. Kermit Kennedy 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 August 10, 2021 on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021.



Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk