

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ANGELINA**

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. at the Angelina County Courthouse Annex, Commissioners Courtroom, 606 East Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, Texas with the following members present:

Keith Wright	County Judge
Kent Walker	Commissioner Precinct #1
Kermit Kennedy	Commissioner Precinct #2
Terry Pitts	Commissioner Precinct #3
Kenneth Jeffrey	Commissioner Precinct #4

1. Judge Wright called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. with all members present.
2. Opening prayer by Chaplin Ray Vann.
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: Tracy Pinkerton presented the members with a survey from the public.
5. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for August 22, 2023. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
6. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for August 29, 2023. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
7. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the final plat of Las Lomas at Redland Estates in Precinct #2. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
8. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the renewal of the following policies:

Property	General Liability
Auto	Inland Marine
Law Enforcement Professional Liability	Employment Practices Liability
Public Officials Liability	Umbrella Liability
Data Breach/Cyber Liability	

Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.

9. The Court opened a Public Hearing at 10:27 A.M. on the proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2023. The Public Hearing was closed at 10:29 A.M.
10. Kenneth Jeffrey made the following motion "I move that property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .429041, which is effectively a 17.84 percent increase in the tax rate". Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
11. Died for lack of motion. (Discussion/action on the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget for Angelina County)
12. Died for lack of motion. (The Angelina County Commissioners Court will conduct a separate vote to ratify the property tax increase reflected in the 2024 Fiscal Year Budget for Angelina County, Texas, as required by Section 111.008 (c) of the Local Government Code)
13. Died for lack of motion. (Discussion/action on the adoption of the Angelina County Certified Salary Schedule for the Fiscal Year 2024)
14. Kent Walker made a motion to approve the County Judge to execute a letter of support for the City of Lufkin FTZ subzone application on behalf of Twin Disc. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
15. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement for FY 2024/2025 biennium between Angelina County and the Regional Public Defender Office for Capital Cases; with Judge Wright's signature. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
16. Kent Walker made a motion to record in the minutes a certified order of the District Clerk, appointing Janice Cordray as County Auditor for a two-year term beginning August 25, 2023 and ending August 25, 2025. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.

17. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to accept a donation for a 2016 HP DesignJet Z2500 Postscript plotter printer from the US Army Corps of Engineers Sam Rayburn Project office. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
18. Terry Pitts made a motion to accept the bid from Bonner Roofing & Metal for the roof repairs on the pavilion at Cassels-Boykin Park. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
19. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Services (SAVNS) Maintenance Grant Contract with the Office of the Attorney General for FY 2024. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
20. The Court opened a Public Hearing at 10:47 A.M. in reference to the Angelina County Clerk's annual update for the preservation and restoration of the County Clerk's archives. The Public Hearing was closed at 10:51 A.M.
21. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the Angelina County Clerk's 2024 Archival Plan. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
22. Terry Pitts made a motion to terminate the Interlocal Agreement between the City and the County for Landfill services in accordance with Article 1 of the agreement. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
23. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve adopting new disposal rates as proposed in the Landfill Cost of Service and Rate Design Study . Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
24. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve six (6) roads for improvements from the Tax Note Fund:

Basham Road	\$104,772.16
Cheeseland Road	\$175,972.40
Post Oak Road	\$ 38,006.40
Bates Road	\$ 23,000.00
Oakwood Drive	\$ 88,515.84
Memory Lane	\$ 65,000.00

Kent Walker seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

25. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve a budget transfer for the Angelina County Airport:

Transfer from:	Capital Outlay	083-183-4995	\$12,000.00
Transfer to:	Equipment Repair	083-183-4408	\$10,000.00
	Airport Repair	083-183-4301	\$ 2,000.00

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

26. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve a budget transfer for County Veterans Services:

Transfer from:	Office Supplies	010-005-4615	\$ 750.00
Transfer to:	Capital Outlay	010-005-4995	\$ 750.00

Kent Walker seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

27. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve a budget transfer for Road & Bridge:

Transfer from:	Hard Top Roads	035-135-4803	\$89,596.00
Transfer to:	Contract Services	035-135-4123	\$89,596.00

Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

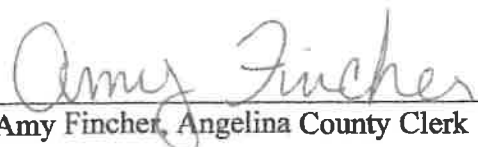
Motion carried.

28. The Court entered into Executive Session at 11:06 A.M.

29. The Court returned to Open Session at 11:30 A.M. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the settlement of Allen vs. Angelina County, et al, Cause #CV-00405-20-07 in the 159<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Angelina County, Texas. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
30. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the departmental reports and routine items. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
31. Terry Pitts made a motion to pay the bills as submitted by the County Auditor. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
32. Judge Wright made a motion to adjourn at 11:32 A.M. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.

I, Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Minutes for September 12, 2023 on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.



  
Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk