

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ANGELINA**

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 10, 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: Michael McCracken addressed item #10.
5. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for September 26, 2023. Kent Walker 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 accept the bid from Timberline Constructors for the construction of the building designed by GLS Architecture/Engineering for Cassels Boykins Park, in the amount of \$342,100.00. Kent Walker 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 preliminary plat for Robert Beavers Subdivision in Precinct #2. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
8. Wayne Gondeck, with DRG Architects, recommended using competitive sealed proposals for the addition to the Angelina County Jail.
9. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to authorize DRG Architects to issue construction documents for competitive sealed proposals on the addition to the Angelina County Jail. Kent Walker seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

10. Discussion on issuing a tax note to fund the balance of the construction project at the Angelina County Jail. Ben Rosenberg, with US Capital Advisors, gave a presentation regarding the tax note. Sheriff Tom Selman spoke in favor of the jail expansion and tax note. Gary Adams, with DRG Architects, expressed the need and benefits of more beds in the jail.
11. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve a Resolution to join with the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas in support of the Tribes of Equal and Fair Opportunity Act. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey
Voted Against: Kent Walker and Judge Wright
Motion carried.
12. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to accept the conveyance of real property from the Angelina County Exposition Center, Inc. to Angelina County. Kent Walker seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
13. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Angelina County Exposition Center, Inc. and Angelina County. Kent Walker seconded the motion.
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.
14. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the FY 2024 Formula Grant Program Request for Applications and the Resolution with the Texas Indigent Defense Commission for Angelina County, authorized Judge Wright to sign. Kenneth Jeffrey 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 the Order of Appointment for Election Judges & Alternates for November 7, 2023 and Designation of Deputy Early Voting Clerk for Angelina County. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion. Kermit Kennedy abstained from voting.
Voted For: Kent Walker, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey
Voted Against: (None)
Motion carried.

16. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the payment of \$1,500.79 to Goodwin Lasiter Strong for the Azalea Springs Solar Park Structure Report from contingency. Kent Walker seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

17. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the 2024 Angelina County Holiday Schedule. Kent Walker 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 approve a request to advertise a "Request for Proposal" for financial audit services. Kent Walker seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

19. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve a budget transfer for the County Extension Office:

Transfer from:	Utility Electric	010-040-4702	\$1,300.00
	R&M Office Equip	010-040-4316	\$ 300.00
	Rental/Lease Equip	010-040-4407	\$ 125.00
	Training Personnel	010-040-4248	\$ 350.00
Transfer to:	Utility W&S	010-040-4704	\$ 500.00
	Supplies Office	010-040-4615	\$1,225.00
	Dues & Publications	010-040-4226	\$ 350.00

Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

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

Transfer from:	Capital Outlay	080-180-4995	\$4,300.00
Transfer to:	Printing & Forms	080-180-4611	\$ 250.00
	Postage	080-180-4616	\$ 550.00
	Office Sup[plies]	080-180-4615	\$3,500.00

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

21. Kent Walker made a motion to approve a budget transfer for the Angelina County Jail:

Transfer from:	Inmate Housing	010-025-4320	\$ 6,000.00
	Training	010-025-4248	\$ 6,000.00
	Utility Electric	010-025-4702	\$10,000.00
Transfer to:	Food Cost	010-025-4403	\$22,000.00

Terry Pitts 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 approve the departmental reports and routine items.

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

23. Terry Pitts made a motion to pay the bills as submitted by the County Auditor.

Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

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

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

24. Judge Wright made a motion to adjourn at 10:47 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 October 10, 2023 on this 11th day of October, 2023.





Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk