

STATE OF TEXAS:

COUNTY OF MILAM:

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on Monday, the 11th day of July A. D. 2016, the Commissioners' Court of Milam County, Texas, convened in Regular Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Milam County Courthouse, 102 S. Fannin, Cameron Texas, with the following members of the Court present, to-wit:

DAVID BARKEMEYER, COUNTY JUDGE

RICHARD "OPEY" WATKINS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO.1

DONALD SHUFFIELD, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2

JOHN FISHER, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3

JEFF MUEGGE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4

BARBARA VANSA, COUNTY CLERK

**Others present, to-wit:
Kyle Nuttall, Legal Counsel**

And the proclamation having been made the Court was in session, the following business came on to be considered:

#1 – CALL MEETING TO ORDER & ESTABLISH QUORUM – 10:00 a.m. – All present

#2 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – U. S. Flag. "Honor the Texas Flag", I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one State, Under God, one and indivisible

#3 – MINUTES – *Motion by Commissioner Shuffield, seconded by Commissioner Muegge to approve the minutes as presented to the court. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.*

- **June 13 2016 – Regular meeting**
- **June 30 2016 – County Tax Office Audit meeting**

#4 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – none

#5 – AUDITORS REPORT – See power point @ www.milamcounty.net

- **Collected 74% of Ad Valorem Taxes**
- **Before end of year we will be short; will have to borrow from somewhere**
- **June expenditures = \$928,828**
- **Shared Revenue & Sales Tax = good**
- **Indigent – Maribeth told Judge by the year end they will be over budget due to two expensive cases.**

- **Commissioners – Revenue \$100,000 less due to Luminant; won't have to borrow for you to make it through end of year because you have reserves**
- **Non-Budget Funds – not available for us to use**

#6 – TREASURERS REPORT – See power point @ www.milamcounty.net

- **\$8,191,069.16 balance as of June 30 2016.**

#7 – COMMISSIONER'S PRECINCT UPDATES –

- **Precinct 1 –**
 - **Graveling CR 410 Sharp; Redoing CR 209 Sharp**
- **Precinct 2 –**
 - **CR235 TIF; blading**
- **Precinct 3 –**
 - **CR 327, 328 & 337 gravel & patching**
- **Precinct 4 –**
 - **Culverts; CR446 TIF; 87 loads of crushed stone; today shredding; zipper is good – Commissioner Shuffield, this is something we should have done long time ago.**
- **Judge – when does the TIF money have to be spent?**
- **Muegge – Allison said it needs to be spent soon**
- **Watkins – I think this year**
- **Fisher – this year is a suggestion**
- **Shuffield – I think Spring of 2017**
- **Fisher – Maybe we can have more time**
- **Susan Reinders – Judge maybe you should send a letter requesting more time since we have had two disaster, a letter requesting an extension.**
- **Muegge – set amount instead of going out for bid**

#8 – COURT CASES UPDATE – See power point @ www.milamcounty.net

- **No District Court report**

#9 – UTILITY INSTALLATIONS – None

#10 – PERMISSION FOR ENTRY AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS –

Motion by Commissioner Muegge, seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Permission For Entry and Waiver of Claims on County Road 454, for the purpose of maintaining County Road 454, Precinct 4 by W. P. Garrett. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Muegge, seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the Permission For Entry and Waiver of Claims on County Road 140, for the purpose of employees entering property located at 1871 CR 140 and maintaining County Road 140, Precinct 2 by Lee Bruno. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

#11 – DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A STANDING ORDER FOR ATTORNEY AD LITEM FEES – Motion by Judge Barkemeyer, seconded by Commissioner Muegge to approve the Standing Order for \$250.00 Ad Litem Fee to each Probate and Guardianship case being effective August 01 2016. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

#12 – ACKNOWLEDGE THANK YOU FROM ROCKDALE CITY MANAGER – Chris Whitaker, Rockdale City Manager sent Judge Barkemeyer a THANK YOU for allowing the Burlington Calaboose being moved to Rockdale where it will be professionally displayed by City Hall.

#13 – APPROVE DEPUTATION – Motion by Judge Barkemeyer, seconded by Commissioner Muegge to approve the Deputation of ALEJANDRA RUELAS as Milam County Tax Assessor Collector Deputy. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

Motion by Commissioner Shuffield seconded by Commissioner Muegge to approve the Deputation of JOHN WAYNE LONDRIE as Milam County Sheriff Deputy. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

#14 – PRESENTATION OF EXPENSE REPORT FOR 2015 – VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE – Ken Janicek presented the court with the Expense Report for 2015. The FY15 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures for Texas not just Milam County.

- **Veteran Population – 2093**
- **Compensation & Pension - \$8,926 (+5%)**
- **Judge to Janicek – you said the Veteran population is the actuary table and compensation & medical is actual?**
- **Janicek – It is important to keep up with our Veterans and it is not always a simple process**

#15 – OPEN BIDS FOR LOW WATER CROSSING ON CR 136, PCT 2 – Motion by Commissioner Shuffield, seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the bid of Mine Service LTD, General Contracting in the amount of \$60,031.18 for the Low Water Crossing on CR 136 in Precinct 2. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

- **Other bid received was from Digg Commercial in the amount of \$157,966.00**

#16 – OPEN BIDS FOR BRIDGE TO BE INSTALLED ON CR 267, PCT 2 - Motion by Commissioner Shuffield, seconded by Commissioner Muegge to approve the bid of Curtis Neyland in the amount of \$183,000 for the bridge to be installed on CR 267 in Precinct 2. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

- **Other bid received was from Digg Commercial in the amount of \$308,872**
- **This bridge installation is needed due to the April flood**

#17 – APPOINT TAX COLLECTOR ASSESSOR TO CALCULATE AND PUBLISH THE EFFECTIVE TAX RATE FOR 2016 – Motion by Judge Barkemeyer, seconded by Commissioner Fisher to appoint Sherry Mueck, Tax Assessor Collector to calculate

and publish the 2016 Effective Tax Rate. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

#18 - BILLS – Motion by Commissioner Muegge, seconded by Commissioner Fisher to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$230,791.87 as presented to the court. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

- **We just received the TXU contract for the electricity for the next three years.**
- **Sherry put in for TAC grant for remodeling Tax Office – no work started until approval of grant**
- **Sheriff also requested grant**

#19 - ADJOURN – Motion by Commissioner Fisher, seconded by Commissioner Muegge to adjourn @ 11:00 A.M. This motion having been put to vote prevailed, the vote being unanimous.

The above and foregoing Minutes examined and approved in Open Court this 25th day of July 2016.

County Judge, David Barkemeyer

County of Milam:

State of Texas:

I, Barbara Vansa, County Clerk, Milam County, Texas, attest that the foregoing is a true and correct accounting of the Commissioners' Court authorized proceedings for July 11 2016.

**County Clerk and Ex-Officio Member of
Commissioners' Court, Milam County, Texas**

STATEMENT OF APPROVAL

July 11 2016

Commissioner of Precinct No. 1

Commissioner of Precinct No. 3

Commissioner of Precinct No. 2

Commissioner of Precinct No. 4

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

July 11 2016

**Minutes from the July 11 2016 Milam County
Commissioners Court meeting ends on**