

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
August 24, 2021

Jeff R. Branick, County Judge
Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One
Darrell Bush, Commissioner, Precinct Two
Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three
Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four



**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS**
August 24, 2021

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **24th** day of **August 2021** in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas.

Said meeting will be a **Special** meeting for the purpose of transacting the routine business of the County. Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids for services who wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Judge's Office to arrange for assistance.

In addition to the routine business of the County, the subject of said meeting will be the following:

9:30 a.m.-Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0725 to deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated, that deliberation in open meeting, would have a detrimental effect on the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person.

11:00 a.m- WORKSHOP-To receive update from Johnson Controls regarding Energy Conservation Project.

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INVOCATION: Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Darrell Bush, Commissioner, Precinct Two

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PURCHASING:

(a) Receive and file Change Order No. 1 for (IFB 21-004/JW) Phase VI: First-Time Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project for Jefferson County (Community Development Block Grant) with Jet Aeration of Texas, LLC. to change installation for residence at Shellhammer Road from a grinder pump station to an on-site sewer facility, omission of on-site sewer facility at residence on Gilbert Road, and addition of (4) grinder pump stations (one residence on Brooks Road and three on Boyt Road) for an increase of \$6,275.00, bringing the total contract amount from \$117,909.05 up to \$124,184.25. A revised list of residences receiving sewer improvements under this project is shown on ATTACHMENT A. This project is funded by a Texas Community Development Block Grant from The Texas Department of Agriculture. (TxCDBG Contract No. 7218240); pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Section 200.318 – 326.

[Jefferson County Project Change Order No. 1.pdf](#)
[ATTACHMENT A.pdf](#)

(b) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file contract for Request for Proposals (RFP 21-024/YS), FEMA Grant Management and Insurance Advisory Services for Jefferson County with Tidal Basin Government Consulting, LLC; pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Section 200.318-326.

[Contract - Tidal Basin Government Consulting.pdf](#)

(c) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Amendment No. 2 for (Agreement 19-039/JW) with LexisNexis and Jefferson County for an extension of Lexis Advance online access subscription for the 136th District Court. This amendment will extend the term of the current agreement for an additional one-year term (September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022), at a cost of \$80.00 per month.

[Amendment No. 2 - LexisNexis Online Subscription for 136th District Court.pdf](#)

(d) Consider, possibly ratify approval, receive and file Texas Realtors Commercial Lease between Eastex Assets LLC and Jefferson County, Texas for the property located at 5550 Eastex Freeway, Beaumont, Tx in the amount of \$13,000. per month. The facility is to be used as an infusion center in response to COVID-19.

[Lease Agreement Infusion Center.pdf](#)

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COUNTY AUDITOR:

(a) Consider and approve budget transfer - Constable Pct. 6 - additional cost for equipment.

120-3070-425-3084	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$2,754.00	
120-3070-425-1098	OVERTIME ALLOWANCE		\$1,377.00
120-3070-425-5062	TRAVEL EXPENSE		\$1,377.00

[ccConstablePct. 6 -082421.pdf](#)

(b) Consider and approve budget transfer - R&B Pct. 2 - replacement of truck and equipment due to wreck.

112-0209-431-6042	TRUCKS & TRAILERS	\$110,000.00	
112-0201-431-2003	EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE		\$5,000.00
112-0202-431-1005	EXTRA HELP		\$2,000.00
112-0202-431-1028	LABORERS		\$60,000.00
112-0202-431-2001	F.I.C.A. EXPENSE		\$8,000.00
112-0202-431-2002	EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT		\$10,000.00
112-0202-431-2003	EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE		\$25,000.00

[ccR&B Pct. 2 -082421.pdf](#)

(c) Consider and approve budget transfer - R&B Pct. 3 - additional cost for employee insurance.

113-0301-431-2003	EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE	\$3,000.00	
113-0301-431-1098	OVERTIME ALLOWANCE		\$3,000.00

[ccR&B Pct. 3 -082421.pdf](#)

(d) Consider and approve budget amendment - Jail - additional cost for overtime.

120-3062-423-1098	OVERTIME ALLOWANCE	\$190,000.00	
110-2027-412-5055	PETIT JURORS		\$100,000.00
120-3059-421-1095	EDUCATION PAY		\$40,000.00

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120-3059-421-1055	UNION ADMIN ASSISTANT		\$50,000.00
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(e) Consider and approve budget transfer - R&B Pct. 1 - additional cost for extra help.

111-0102-431-1005	EXTRA HELP	\$3,000.00	
111-0102-431-3079	CRUSHED STONE		\$3,000.00

[ccR&B Pct. 1 -082421.pdf](#)

(f) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$1,439,451.84 to LaSalle for revenue received from entities for inmate housing.

(g) Receive and file Financial & Operating Statements – County Funds Only for the Month Ending July 31, 2021.

[July 2021 Monthly financials.pdf](#)

(h) Consider, approve and authorize the County Judge to execute, receive and file SAVNS Grant Contract No. 2219053 with the Office of the Attorney General for September 1, 2021 – August 31, 2022.

[ccSAVNS GrantFY2022Contract -082421.pdf](#)

(i) Regular County Bills - check #485635 through check#485869.

[0485635_0485869.pdf](#)

COUNTY CLERK:

(a) Consider and possibly approve, execute, receive and file a Joint Election Agreement and Election Services Contract between Jefferson County and Hamshire-Fannett ISD for the election to be held on November 2, 2021.

[Election Contract_HFISD_2021-11-02.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

(a) Receive and file Amended Property Tax Agreement between Jefferson County and Coastal Caverns 1, LP for Phases 1 and 2.

[AMENDED PROPERTY TAX AGMT COASTAL CAVERNS 1 LP FOR PHASES 1 AND 2.pdf](#)

(b) Receive and file Amended Property Tax Agreement between Jefferson County and Coastal Caverns 1, LP for Phases 3, 4 and 5.

[AMENDED PROPERTY TAX AGMT COASTAL CAVERNS 1 LP PHASES 3 AND 4.pdf](#)

(c) Receive and file executed Memorandum of Understanding between Jefferson County and the Garth House regarding the Mickey Mehaffy Children's Advocacy Program, Inc.

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(d) Consider, possibly approve a Resolution and authorize the County Judge to execute an Order to Approve Online Education for County Commissioners.

[RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE AN ORDER TO APPROVE ONLINE EDUCATION FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.pdf](#)

(e) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute TxCDBG Initial Acquisition Report for Contract No. 7218240 (regarding easements first-time sewer service).

[TXCDBG INITIAL ACQUISITION REPORT CONTRACT NUMBER 7218240.pdf](#)

(f) Consider and possibly approve suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meetings Act that allowed telephonic or videoconference meetings of Commissioners Court meetings, per Order of Governor Abbott to be effective September 1, 2021 to assure that all meetings are conducted in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act. (This will not affect a member of the Court to participate by videoconference call if a quorum is actually present at the meeting pursuant to Sec. 551.127).

(g) Receive and file executed Inter-local Agreement between the Counties of Jefferson, Hardin, Orange and Jasper for the operation of the infusion center to provide treatment patients with COVID-19.

[INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE INFUSION CENTER.pdf](#)

(h) Discuss Proposed tax rate for tax year 2021 (fiscal year 2021-2022).

(i) Consider and approve proposing a tax rate of \$.363184 for tax year 2021 (fiscal year 2021-2022). No public hearing would be required as rate is equal to the No New Revenue Tax Rate.

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR:

(a) Receive and file Continuing Education Transcript for Allison Nathan Getz, Jefferson County Tax Assessor-Collector, who has successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Sec. 6.231(d) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

[Allison Getz Continuing Ed Transcript.pdf](#)

ENGINEERING:

(a) Execute, receive and file Overweight Vehicle Permit 04-OW-21 and Road Use Agreement to WHC, LLC. to haul equipment and materials for the Exxon Mobil Pipeline Project located in Jefferson County, in Precincts 1 and 4.

[August 24,2021-04-OW-21 WHC LLC.pdf](#)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Receive reports from Elected Officials and staff on matters of community interest without taking action.

*****DISCUSSION ON ANY OTHER ITEM NOT ON AGENDA
WITHOUT TAKING ACTION.**

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(e) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Job Order Contract (JOC 21-056/YS) with McInnis Construction, Inc. for Jefferson County Subcourthouse HVAC Damage Repairs in the amount of \$5,386.89; in accordance with Region 5 Contract 20150803.

[JOC 21-056YS - McInnis Construction, Inc..pdf](#)

(f) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Job Order Contract (JOC 21-057/YS) with McInnis Construction, Inc. for Jefferson County Subcourthouse Miscellaneous Extra Repairs in the amount of \$30,355.89; in accordance with Region 5 Contract 20150803.

[JOC 21-057YS - McInnis Construction, Inc..pdf](#)

(g) Consider and approve a contract renewal for (IFB 19-038/YS), Term Contract for Paper Stock and Envelopes for Jefferson County with Olmsted Kirk Paper Co. and Western-BRW Paper Co.-Bosworth Papers for a second one (1) year renewal from September 7, 2021 through September 6, 2022.

(h) Consider and approve a contract renewal for (IFB 19-040/YS), Term Contract for Road Building Materials for Jefferson County with Gulf Coast, a CRH Company, LD Construction, Martin Marietta Materials, Inc., and Vulcan Construction Materials LLC for a second one (1) year renewal from September 7, 2021 through September 6, 2022.

COUNTY AUDITOR:

(j) Consider and approve downgrade of Carpenter (position 31131 grade 55) budgeted at \$56,039 to Equipment Operator (position 3122 grade 47) budgeted at \$46,431 for Road & Bridge Pct. 3. The annual net savings is about \$12,283.

[cc 082421 Road and Bridge Pct 3.pdf](#)

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