

**ATASCOSA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COURTROOM, SUITE 203
September 26, 2022
9 a.m.**

If after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Commissioners Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Court. Purposes for a closed or executive meeting or session permitted by the Act include the following:

- 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.
- 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property.
- 551.073 Deliberation regarding prospective gifts.
- 551.074 Personnel Matters.
- 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.
- 551.0785 Deliberation involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals.
- 551.084 Investigation; exclusion of witness from hearing.
- 551.087 Deliberation regarding economic development negotiation.
- 551.088 Deliberation regarding test item.

AGENDA

1. Judge Hurley: Call to order.
2. Judge Hurley: Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments:
4. Margaret Littleton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning accepting and entering the Orders Setting Compensation of Court Reporter. An open public meeting was held on August 29, 2022, after which the Orders were signed by the 81st and 218th Judicial District Judges. See attached Orders for the 81st District Courts Court Reporter and 218th District Courts Court Reporter.
5. Margaret Littleton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning entering the Order Setting Annual Compensation of County Auditor and Assistants. An open public meeting was held on August 29, 2022, after which the Order was signed by the 81st and 218th Judicial District Judges. See attached Order.
6. Dale Rankin: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning reading and approval of the proclamation declaring October 2-8, 2022, as National 4-H Week in Atascosa County.

7. Lauren McCormick: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning reading and approval of the proclamation declaring September 26-October 3, 2022 as Good Neighbor Week in Atascosa County.
8. Andrea Rathmell: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning reading and approval of the proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Atascosa County.
9. Ronald Rocha: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning Annual Delinquent Tax Collections and Justice of the Peace Reports.
10. Const. Meadows:
 - A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving funds of less than \$5,000.00 from ARP money for the removal and re-install of new brackets for the Tahoe transferred from the Sheriff's Office to be used by the Pct. 4 Deputy Constable. See attached letter and information sheet.
 - B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the purchase of two hand-held radios for use in the JP Court and for routine duties and the purchase of two Mobile vehicle units for use while on patrol using ARP funds. See attached quote for \$33,446.84.
11. Henry Dominguez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning renewing the contracts for animal control services with the Cities of Pleasanton, Jourdanton, Poteet, Christine, Charlotte and McMullen County and authorize County Judge to sign.
12. Daniella Martinez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
 - New Employee: Richel Santos
 - Position: Part-time Control Room Tech
 - Pay Rate: \$12.00 per hour
 - Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562
 - Physical/Drug: pending
 - Start Date: 10-03-2022

 - New Employee: Eleno Duenes
 - Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer I
 - Pay Rate: \$41,000.00 annually, Tier I
 - Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562
 - Physical/Drug: pending
 - Start Date: 10-03-2022

 - New Employee: Marcus Salas
 - Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer I
 - Pay Rate: \$41,000.00 annually, Tier I
 - Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562
 - Physical/Drug: pending
 - Start Date: 10-03-2022

13. Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the adoption of the Atascosa County Nonprofit Grant Program application.
14. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Yvonne Rose Salinas
Position: Full-time Deputy Clerk
Pay Rate: \$3,173.95 monthly, Tier I
Salary Budget Area: 012-408-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 09-26-2022
- New Employee: Scarlett Rose Ochoa
Position: Full-time Deputy Clerk
Pay Rate: \$34,087.34 annually, Tier III
Salary Budget Area: 012-408-402
Physical/Drug: Pending
Start Date: 09-26-2022
15. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for July 2022.
16. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the Sheriff and Constable fees for 2023 as required under Local Government Code Section 118.131. Fees must be set before October 1, 2022, and must be reported to the State Comptroller before October 15, 2022. See attached.
17. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the Archival Microfilm Vault Storage Agreement with Kofile Technologies, Inc and direct County Judge to sign. The price for film storage for 2022 is \$4,063.50 to be paid out of the Office Supply budget line item. Please note that the price will go up every year due to the increase in film being stored.
18. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the revised MOU between Atascosa County and Simplifile and direct County Judge to sign pending County Attorney approval. This MOU was approved on May 23, 2022, but revisions were made by Simplifile.
19. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Ashley Macias
Position: Telecommunications Officer
Pay Rate: Tier I, \$45,062.61 annual, continue one year Agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-448-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 09-10-2022

Existing Employee: Alan Perez
Position: Deputy Sheriff
Pay Rate: Tier I \$49,989.61 annual, continue one year Agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-440-410
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 09-01-2022

New Employee: Felipe Moreno
Position: Corrections Officer
Pay Rate: Tier II \$43,062.61 annual, 171 Fluctuating; \$120 mo. uniform; \$150 mo. holiday; 90-day County probation; one year Agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: Pending
Start Date: 10-01-2022

20. Sheriff Soward Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve payment to landowners for property damage during a law enforcement pursuit, under Section 683.015(f) of Texas Transportation Code. The amount of \$663.00 to be paid to Samuel Jaramillo from 012-440-750. Reference ACSO Case #22-13616. See attached.
21. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve payment to landowners for property damage during a law enforcement pursuit, under Section 683.015(f) of Texas Transportation Code. The amount of \$625.00 to be paid to Randy Mangum from 012-440-750. Reference ACSO Case #22-13475. See attached.
22. Com. Knowlton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving a utility right-of-way permit on the west side of Hickman Road in Precinct 2. The permit fee of \$500 has been submitted to the County Treasurer's office.
23. Com. Riley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning issuing McCoy Water Supply Corporation a permit for a road bore located in Pct. 4 at 6459 County Road 429, Pleasanton, for Christian and Jennifer Cox.
24. Com. Riley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to issue McCoy Water Supply Corporation a permit for a line extension of 3,310' located on 1345 Lucas Road, Pleasanton, for Don Almstead in Precinct 4.
25. Com. Riley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning issuing a pipeline permit extension to Pillar EFS, LLC for a pipeline to be laid at CR 419. A check for \$200 has been turned in to the Treasurer's office.
26. Com. Riley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning issuing Straitline Well Services LLC a permit for a temporary 4" poly waterline along the side of CR 407 for 2.93 miles.

27. Trent Rowell: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Shalee Arredondo
Position: Secretary
Pay Rate: \$40,122.68 annually
Salary Budget Area: 012-404-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 10-01-2022
28. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approval of disbursement of pre-trial diversion funds as authorized by Art. 102.0121 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure and approval of a check to be written from the Pre-Trial Miscellaneous Fund line item 053-400-625, in the amount of \$10,500.00, being a quarterly payment for services provided to Atascosa by the CSCD, as specified in the Interlocal Agreement. Payment will be released after Trent Rowell in the County Attorney's office has reviewed and approved it.
29. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning purchasing one batch of covid tests and a covid test reader out of ARP funds for Camino Real Mental Health Clinic. See attached for estimate.
30. Judge Hurley: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between Atascosa County and ShurMed EMS, LLC, for emergency medical response and direct County Judge to sign. MOU has been approved by Asst. County Attorney.

B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) between Atascosa County and ShurMed EMS, LLC, for transportation of mental health patients and direct County Judge to sign. MOU has been approved by Asst. County Attorney.
31. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the Interlocal Transportation Agreement between AACOG and Atascosa County and direct County Judge to sign.
32. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to waive the 60-day health insurance waiting period for Becky James, new Chief Defender for the Atascosa Area Regional Public Defender Office.
33. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve advertising for RFPs for a new air conditioning and installation in the courthouse.
34. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting the Immediate Funding Request for State Government Mandated Services Resolution for immediate relief for the increasing backlog to TDCJ inmates, TDSHS mental health patients and TJJD felony juveniles who are being held in county facilities at county taxpayer expense. Funding is available in the current state budget to provide contract payments to counties and

other entities to meet this state responsibility and Texas Legislative Budget Board has the authority to transfer these funds.

35. Judge Hurley: A. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting FY2023 TIDC Formula Grant Resolution for the Indigent Defense Grant Program and authorize County Judge to sign.

B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting the FY2023 TIDC Indigent Defense Improvement Grant Resolution for the Indigent Defense Sustainability Grant Program and authorize County Judge to sign.

36. Judge Hurley: A. Hold public hearing on the Atascosa County 2023 Proposed Budget, (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.007a) and on the Atascosa County 2022 Tax Year, Proposed Property Tax Rate.

Open public hearing on the 2023 Proposed Budget.
Close public hearing on the 2023 Proposed Budget.

Open public hearing on the 2022 Tax Year, Proposed Property Tax Rate.
Close public hearing on the 2022 Tax Year, Proposed Property Tax Rate.

B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on any necessary changes to the Atascosa County 2023 Proposed Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008b)

C. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on any necessary changes to the Atascosa County 2022 Tax Year, Proposed Tax Rate.

D. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the Atascosa County 2023 Budget by record vote. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008a)

E. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the property tax increase (raising more revenue) reflected in the Atascosa County 2023 Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008c)

F. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2022 Tax Rate for Atascosa County General by record vote.

G. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2022 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Lateral Road by record vote.

H. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2022 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Debt Rate by record vote.

I. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2022 Total Tax Rate for Atascosa County by record vote.

37.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Regular Session of Atascosa County Commissioners Court will now recess in order to convene in Executive Session according to Texas Government Code 551.071 to discuss personnel and other matters with the County Attorney's office.

38.

OPEN SESSION

39. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning items discussed in executive session:

- A. County Road redesignation.
- B. Any other items discussed in executive session.

40. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the following 2022 budget line-item adjustments and / or budget amendments for the following: See attached.
Tracy Barrera:

Budget Line-Item Adjustments:

DEPT: County Attorney

Moving funds from:

012-404-492, Insurance-Hospital, \$7,000.00

To:

012-404-501, Office Supplies, \$1,000.00

012-404-610, Conference Expense, \$6,000.00

DEPT: Building and Yards

Moving funds from:

012-460-635, Repairs & Replacements, \$21,000.00

To:

012-460-698, Sanitary Landfill, \$21,000.00

DEPT: Animal Control

Moving funds from:

012-478-501, Office Supplies, \$1,000.00

To:

012-478-625, Cleaning Supplies, \$1,000.00

DEPT: Road & Bridge – PCT 1

Moving funds from:

021-400-506, Materials, \$6,000.00

To:

021-400-504, Batt/Tires/Machine/Repairs, \$5,600.00

021-400-611, Contract work/Machine Hire, \$400.00

DEPT: Road & Bridge – PCT 2

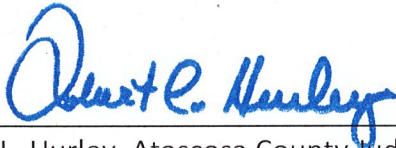
Moving funds from:

022-400-611, Contract work/Machine Hire, \$10,000.00

To:


022-400-503, Gas, Oil & Service Station, \$10,000.00

41. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any invoices and
Tracy Barrera: payroll.
42. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.
Tracy Barrera:
43. **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be Taken).** The next
Regular Commissioners Court Meeting is set Monday, October 10.
44. Judge Hurley: Adjourn.



Robert L. Hurley, Atascosa County Judge

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this notice was posted by 8:45 a.m., on Friday, September 23.



Robbie Denson, Court Coordinator

This meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities and to the general public.