

**ATASCOSA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COURTROOM, SUITE 203
October 24, 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. Martin Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to declare October 24 as Staff Sergeant Tomas Cruz Day and read declaration.
5. Dan Stendahl:
Apex Presentation by Apex Clean Energy regarding their local wind and solar energy projects.
6. Tom Ratza:
Hunt Energy Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning presentation on bid price evaluations and recommendation on qualified bidder with best pricing.
7. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning expanding the Atascosa County Medical Examiner Transport department.

8. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
New Employee: Stephanie Freabe
Position: Clerk
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$36,087.34
Salary Budget Area: 012-444-402
Physical/Drug: Complete
Start Date: 10-24-2022
9. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the request for ARP Funds for digitizing and restoring the Atascosa County tax roll books in the amount of \$600,000.00. The newer tax rolls would be scanned and digitized and put in pdf format so that they could be put on our website. The late 1800s and early 1900 books would be restored and preserved. See attached.
10. Daniella Martinez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
New Employee: Adam Shearrer
Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer I
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$43,000.00 per year
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-562
Physical/Drug: pending
Start Date: 11-07-2022
- Existing Employee: Cassandra Rutherford-Rodriguez
Position: Full-time Facility Nurse
Pay Rate: \$51,099.10 annually; \$120 uniform
Salary Budget Area: 039-400-569; 039-400-489
Physical/Drug: pending
Start Date: 10-01-2022
11. Daniella Martinez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to allow the Atascosa County Juvenile Detention Center Facility Nurse to receive insurance benefits once approved for full-time employment and remove the waiver of benefits she signed while working temporary part-time.
12. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the Commissioners Court Minutes for August 2022.
13. Diane Gonzales: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the bond for County Auditor Tracy Barrera.

14. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Jose Mendoza
Position: Jail Administrator/Captain
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$62,466.11 annual; \$120 mo. uniform; 40 hours with overtime, 180-day probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-560
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Kenneth Martinez
Position: Jail Lieutenant
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$52,206.15 annual; \$120 mo. uniform; 40 hours with overtime, 180-day probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-570
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Robert Garza
Position: Deputy Sheriff
Pay Rate: Tier I, \$49,989.61 annual; 171 fluctuating; \$175 mo. holiday; \$120 mo. uniform; continue 1-year agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-440-410
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Angel Ramirez
Position: Correction Officer
Pay Rate: Tier II, \$43,062.61 annual; 171 fluctuating; \$120 mo. uniform; \$150 mo. holiday; continue 1-year agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

New Employee: Evan Challes
Position: Correction Officer
Pay Rate: Tier III, \$41,062.61 annual; 171 fluctuating; \$120 mo. uniform; \$150 mo. holiday; 90-day County probation; 1-year agency probation
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: Complete
Start Date: 11-01-2022

New Employee: Enrique Trevino
Position: Correction Officer
Pay Rate: Tier I, \$45,062.61 annual; 171 fluctuating; \$120 mo. uniform; \$150 mo. holiday; reinstatement-less than 30 days
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-04-2022

15. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning using ARP funds for purchasing four body cameras and related equipment, including cloud-based storage in the amount of \$2,796.00 from Lenslock, Inc. to be used in booking by Corrections Officers.

16. Com. Knowlton: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Marcos Paredes
Position: CDL Driver
Pay Rate: \$44,720.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Eliseo Perez, III
Position: Pct. 2 worker
Pay Rate: \$42,640.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Ignacio Garcia
Position: Pct. 2 worker
Pay Rate: \$43,888.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Joe Alcorta
Position: Pct. 2 worker
Pay Rate: \$43,888.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

Existing Employee: Adolpho Rodriguez
Position: Pct. 2 worker
Pay Rate: \$43,888.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 022-400-402
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start Date: 11-01-2022

17. Com. Perez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to issue a pipeline crossing permit on CR-314 N. for StartTex Field Services. They have agreed to run a 6" gas line inside an 8" steel casing and bury the gas line approximately 4' deep. The location is ½ mile north of CR 314 on CR 314 north. Check #2343 from Todd Davis and Associates in the amount of \$500 has been turned over to the Atascosa County Treasurers office.
18. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the Interlocal Transportation Agreements between the County of Atascosa and the cities of Pleasanton, Jourdanton and Poteet for the fixed-route public transportation service and authorization for County Judge to execute the same.
19. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action for Atascosa County to make the necessary payment not to exceed \$18,500.00 to change the Ameritas payment from paying in arrears to paying in advance.

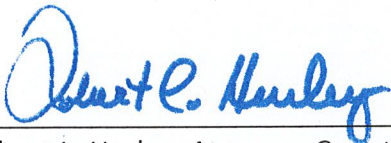
20. EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 and 551.074 to discuss personnel, legal matters and possible litigation with the County Attorney.

21. OPEN SESSION

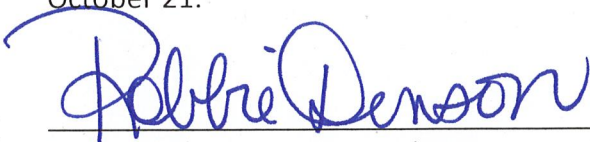
22. Judge Hurley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning item(s) discussed in executive session.
23. Chief Dominguez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adopting the Order activating a 90-day countywide burn ban, effective October 26, 2022, through January 24, 2023, due to low rainfall and dry conditions and give authority to the fire marshal to lift said ban should conditions change prior to the 90 days without returning to court. See attached.
24. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the payment for repairs in the amount of \$1,315.00 to Constable Meadows vehicle that was damaged while he was on duty. The amount of the repair is less than the \$2,500.00 deductible through the insurance.

25. Tracy Barrera: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the release of payment of \$836.42 to FI (Financial Intelligence Software). This expense is budgeted for and will be charged to Capital Outlay, 012-468-707.
26. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any invoices and
Tracy Barrera: payroll.
27. Judge Hurley: Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.
Tracy Barrera:
28. Judge Hurley: Update and/or take appropriate action concerning Judge, Commissioners, and other County Elected Officials' training course certifications, record any hours and certificates into Commissioners Court minutes and other documents not related to education needing to be filed in the court records.
- Judge Robert Hurley has completed 6-hours of educational training at the 88th annual South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Conference. See attached. Judge Robert Hurley has completed 14 hours at the 2022 Probate Academy. See attached. Judge Robert Hurley has completed 8 required hours for SB6. See attached.
29. **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be Taken).** The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting will be Monday, November 14. There will be a Special Called Commissioners Court Meeting on Monday, October 31.
30. 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, October 21.



Robbie Denson, Court Coordinator

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