

**ATASCOSA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY COURTROOM, SUITE 203
September 25, 2023
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 Cude: Call to order.**
- 2. Judge Cude: Prayer; Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 3. Public Comments:**

- 4. Elizabeth Branson: Discuss and/or take appropriate action regarding the proclamation reading recognizing September as Suicide Prevention Month.**

- 5. Caron Tuttle: Discuss and/or take appropriate action regarding the disbursement of \$2,000 for the Atascosa Animal Allies organization, aimed at aiding the spay/neuter clinics to address the issue of overpopulated stray animals in Atascosa County.**

- 6. Atascosa County Library Board: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the amended Atascosa County Library Board By- Laws.**

7. Becky James: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Kirby Waaland
Position: Attorney – Assistant Public Defender (felony)
Pay Rate: \$82,000.00 annually
Salary Budget Area: 012-488-403
Physical/Drug: n/a
Start Date: 10/01/2023
8. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Stephanie Freebe
Position: Deputy TAC
Pay Rate: Tier 1: \$39,826.90 annually
Salary Budget Area: 012-444-402
Physical/Drug: n/a
Start Date: 09/25/2023
9. Loretta Holley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning:
Comm. Gillespie
- A. Requesting an additional \$1,000.00 for the change money in the vault.
- B. Requesting \$3,650.00 for five new counterfeit bill detectors. To be paid from 012-444-635 (annual maintenance). See attached.
10. Janice Ruple: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the contracts between Atascosa County and Karnes City ISD, Jourdanton ISD, City of Charlotte and City of Jourdanton and MUD 2 for the November 7, 2023, election.
11. Janice Ruple: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the notice of Election to be put in the Pleasanton Express Newspaper.
12. Courtney Grier: Discuss and/or take appropriate action to approve the following:
Existing Employee: Roy Saucedo
Position: Temp EMT to Full Time EMT
Pay Rate: \$13.65 per hour
Salary Budget: 041-400-430
Uniform Allowance \$120.00 per. Month
Budget Area: 041-400-489
Physical/Drug: complete
Start Date: 09/26/2023
- Existing Employee: Ramon Espronceda
Position: Temp paramedic
Pay Rate: \$ 12.60 per hour
Salary Budget: 041-400-518

Physical/Drug: complete
Start Date: 09/26/2023

13. Lisa Akers: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning the presentation of the end of year report on the Indigent Program for State Fiscal Year 09/2022-08/2023.

14. Britni Van Curan: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning adding Matt Franklin to the Subdivision Ordinance Review Committee.

15. Timothy Gutierrez: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Amanda Rose McHazlett
Position: Part Time Control Technician
Pay Rate: \$12.00 per hour
Salary Budget: 039-400-562
Physical/Drug: N/A
09/25/2023

New Employee: Savannah Delarosa
Position: Juvenile Supervision Officer (Tier II)
Pay Rate: \$45,250.00 Annually/\$3,770.83 Monthly
Salary Budget: 039-400-562
Physical/Drug: Pending
10/02/2023

Existing Employee: Vivian Leal
Position: Sergeant
Pay Rate: \$53,550.00 Annually/\$4,462.50 Monthly
Salary Budget: 039-400-403
Physical/Drug: N/A
10/01/2023

Existing Employee: Octavio Avalos Jr.
Position: Corporal
Pay Rate: \$49,000.00 Annually/\$4,083.33 Monthly
Salary Budget: 039-400-562
Physical/Drug: N/A
10/01/2023

16. Sheriff Soward: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning personnel:
Existing Employee: Dominique Madrid
Position: Deputy Sheriff
Pay Rate: Move to Tier 1: \$54,988.57 annual ;171 flux; \$120.00 mo. Uniform; \$175.00 Holiday; Continue 1 year agency prob.

Salary Budget Area: 012-440-410
Physical/Drug: n/a
Start date: 10/01/2023

Existing Employee: Garrett Lee Baker
Position: Corrections Officer
Pay Rate: Move to Tier 2: \$46,217.00 annual ;171 fluctuating; \$120.00
mo. Uniform; \$150.00 mo. Holiday; Continue 1 year agency prob.
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: N/A
Start date: 10/01/2023

Existing Employee: Jaicee Blue Nielson
Position: Corrections Officer
Pay Rate: Move to Tier 2: \$46,217.00 annual ;171 fluctuating; \$120.00
mo. Uniform; \$150.00 MO. Holiday; Continue 1 year agency prob.
Salary Budget Area: 012-442-562
Physical/Drug: n/a
Start date: 10/01/2023

17. Theresa Carrasco: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning approving the Sheriff and Constable fees for 2024 as required under Local Government Code Section 118.131. Fees must be set before October 1, 2023, and must be reported to the State Comptroller before October 15, 2023. See attached.
18. Commissioner Riley: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning McCoy Water Supply's request for a road bore on 4059 Coughran Road Pleasanton, Texas for Roy McMullen.
19. Judge Cude:
 - A. Hold public hearing on the Atascosa County 2024 Proposed Budget (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.007a)

Open public hearing
Close public hearing
 - B. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on any necessary changes to the Atascosa County 2024 Proposed Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008b)
 - C. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the Atascosa County 2024 Budget by record vote. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008a)

D. Discuss and/or take appropriate action to ratify the property tax increase (raising more revenue) reflected in the Atascosa County 2024 Budget. (Pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 111.008c)

E. Discuss and or take appropriate action on adopting the 2023 Tax Rate for Atascosa County General by record vote.

F. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2023 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Lateral Road by record vote.

G. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2023 Tax Rate for Atascosa County Debt Rate by record vote.

H. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on adopting the 2023 Total Tax rate for Atascosa County by record vote.

20. Judge Cude:

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.

Theresa Carrasco Atascosa County Clerk has successfully completed 8.30 hours of Educational Training at the Sixth Annual CDCAT Fall Conference 2023.

Theresa Carrasco Atascosa County Clerk has successfully completed 6.00 hours of Educational Training at the LGS 2023 Users Conference.

21.

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 and 551.0785 to discuss personnel and other matters with the County Attorney's office.

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OPEN SESSION

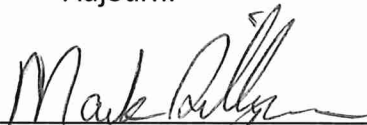
23. Judge Cude: Discuss and/or take appropriate action concerning item(s) discussed in executive session.

24. Judge Cude: Discuss, review and take action to accept and/or approve any invoices and payroll.
Tracy Barrera

25. Judge Cude: Discuss, review and take action on reports submitted.
Tracy Barrera:

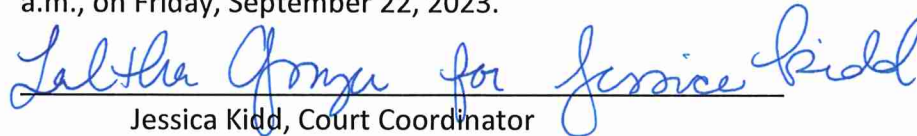
26. **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS COURT (No Action Can Be Taken).**
The next Regular Commissioners Court Meeting is set Tuesday, October 10, 2023.

27. Judge Cude: Adjourn.



Judge Pro-Tem Mark Gillespie

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that this notice was posted by 9:00 a.m., on Friday, September 22, 2023.



Jessica Kidd, Court Coordinator

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