COUNTY OF FREESTONE

Commissioners Court
Linda K. Grant, County Judge
Andy Bonner, Precinct No. 1
Will McSwane, Precinct No. 2
Lloyd Lane, Precinct No. 3
Clyde Ridge Jr., Precinct No. 4

County Courthouse
Commissioners Courtroom
118 E. Commerce, Rm. 203
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Clerk County Court, Freestone County, Texas
By Jamie Myers

FREESTONE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Notice of Open Meeting

DATE OF MEETING: February 7, 2024
LOCATION: 118 E. COMMERCE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, FAIRFIELD, TEXAS
Pledge of Allegiance, Pledge to the Texas Flag
Call to Order – 9:00 a.m.
Posting in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as amended, known as the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Members of the Public who wish to speak shall each have 3 minutes to address the Court regarding matters not appearing on the agenda or on an item on the agenda.
The Commissioners Court may not deliberate or take action on any item that is not posted. Any discussion of the subject must be limited to providing specific factual information.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

1. Public Hearing on the creation/designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 6—Buffalo Springs Solar.
2. Discussion and action on creation /designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 6—Buffalo Springs Solar.
3. Discussion and action on proposed form of Tax Abatement Agreement —Buffalo Springs Solar.
4. Approve minutes of January 17, 2024 regular meeting.
5. Budget transfers and amendments.
6. Approve and pay bills.
7. Approve payroll.
8. Reports: Senior Services, Justices of the Peace, County Clerk, District Clerk, Auditor, Treasurer, Sheriff, Road Reports, Tax Assessor/Collector, Constables, Veterans Service Officer, Extension Agents, Health, Environmental, and OSSF, Miscellaneous Reports.
9. Burn Ban.
10. Special Road Use Agreements, Contracts, Permits and Bonds and consider Notifications of Telephone Construction.
11. Approve bonds and education certificates of County Officials and Employees.
12. Reschedule February 21, 2024 regular meeting.
13. Approve Investment Policy- Jeannie Keeney.
14. Public Funds Collateral and Pledge Agreement- Jeannie Keeney.
15. TAC CIRA Service Agreement.
16. Extended Warranty and Preventive Maintenance Program for Voting Machines- Renee McBay.
17. Letter of Commitment from Post Oak RC&D Area, Inc.
18. Approve Freestone County's Participation in TAC Cybersecurity Course.
19. Extended Warranty, Preventative Maintenance, and Support Agreement with JAVS for Court Reporting System.
20. Resolution for Criminal Justice Grant Program FY2025 for submission of the grant application- J. Shipley.
21. Resolution for State Homeland Security Program-LEPTA Projects for submission of the grant application- J. Shipley.
22. Approve submission of a grant application for Dickey's Foundation Grant- J. Shipley.
23. Approve submission of a grant application for Hillcrest Foundation Grant- J. Shipley.

Comments from Commissioners Court members.
Adjournment.
Posted on bulletin board second floor at the Courthouse and on Freestone County website on February 2, 2024.

FREESTONE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

VIDEO OF THIS MEETING MAY BE VIEWED AT:
http://www.co.freestone.tx.us/default.aspx?Freestone_County/Commissioners.Court.Recordings

A regular meeting of the Freestone County Commissioners Court was held on February 7, 2024, at 9:00 a.m., in the Courtroom of the Freestone County Courthouse, 118 E. Commerce Street in Fairfield, Texas.

Linda Grant	**County Judge**	**Present**
Andy Bonner	**Commissioner, Precinct 1**	**Present**
Will McSwane	**Commissioner, Precinct 2**	**Present**
Lloyd Lane	**Commissioner, Precinct 3**	**Present**
Clyde Ridge	**Commissioner, Precinct 4**	**Present**

1. Public Hearing on the creation/designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 6-Buffalo Springs Solar.
Court entered into Public Hearing at 9:04 a.m.
No comment from the public.
Court came out of Public Hearing at 9:08 a.m.

2. Discussion and action on creation/designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 6-Buffalo Springs Solar.
Comm. Lane MOVED to approve the creation/designation of Reinvestment Zone No. 6-Buffalo Springs Solar. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

3. Discussion and action on proposed form of Tax Abatement Agreement-Buffalo Springs Solar.
Comm. Ridge MOVED to approve the proposed form of Tax Abatement Agreement-Buffalo Springs Solar. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

4. Approve minutes of January 17, 2024 regular meeting.
Comm. Bonner MOVED to approve minutes of January 17, 2024 regular meeting. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

5. Budget transfers and amendments.
Comm. McSwane MOVED to approve budget transfers and amendments. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

6. Approve and pay bills.
Comm. Bonner MOVED to approve and pay bills. Comm. Ridge SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

7. Approve payroll.
Comm. McSwane MOVED to approve payroll. Comm. Bonner SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

8. Reports: Senior Services, Justices of the Peace, County Clerk, District Clerk, Auditor, Treasurer, Sheriff, Road Reports, Tax Assessor/Collector, Constables, Veterans Service Officer, Extension Agents, Health, Environmental and OSSF, Miscellaneous Reports.
Comm. Ridge MOVED to accept reports from JP #2 for December, The Tax Office for January and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Services for January and plans for February. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.
ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

9. Burn Ban.
NO ACTION

10. Special Road Use Agreements, Contracts, Permits and Bonds and consider Notifications of Telephone Construction.
NO ACTION

11. Approve bonds and education certificates of County Officials and Employees.

Comm. Bonner MOVED to approve 20 Hour Justice of the Peace Seminar for Theresa Farris. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

12. Reschedule February 21, 2024 regular meeting.

Comm. Lane MOVED to reschedule February 21, 2024 regular meeting to February 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. Comm. Bonner SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

13. Approve Investment Policy-Jeannie Keeney.

Comm. Lane MOVED to approve the Investment Policy. Comm. Ridge SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

14. Public Funds Collateral and Pledge Agreement-Jeannie Keeney.

Comm. Lane MOVED to enter into the Public Funds Collateral and Pledge Agreement. Comm. Bonner SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

15. TAC CIRA Service Agreement.

Comm. Lane MOVED to enter into a TAC CIRA Service Agreement. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

16. Extended Warranty and Preventive Maintenance Program for Voting Machines-Renee McBay.

Comm. Bonner MOVED to enter into an Extended Warranty and Preventive Maintenance Program for Voting Machines. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

17. Letter of Commitment from Post Oak RC&D area, Inc.

NO ACTION

18. Approve Freestone County's Participation in TAC Cybersecurity Course.

Comm. Lane MOVED to approve Freestone County's Participation in TAC Cybersecurity Course. Comm. Ridge SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

19. Extended Warranty, Preventative Maintenance, and Support Agreement with JAVS for Court Reporting System.

Comm. Lane MOVED to approve the Extended Warranty, Preventative Maintenance, and Support Agreement with JAVS for Court Reporting System. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

20. Resolution for Criminal Justice Grant Program FY2025 for submission of the grant application-J. Shipley.

Comm. Ridge MOVED to approve the Resolution for Criminal Justice Grant Program FY2025 for submission of the grant application. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

21. Resolution for State Homeland Security Program-LEPTA Projects for submission of the grant application-J. Shipley.

Comm. McSwane MOVED to approve the Resolution for State Homeland Security Program-LEPTA Projects for submission of the grant application. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

22. Approve submission of the grant application for Dickey's Foundation Grant-J. Shipley.

Comm. Ridge MOVED to approve the submission of the grant application for Dickey's Foundation Grant. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

23. Approve submission of the grant application for Hillcrest Foundation Grant-J. Shipley.

Comm. Lane MOVED to approve the submission of the grant application for Hillcrest Foundation Grant. Comm. McSwane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

Comm. Bonner MOVED to adjourn. Comm. Lane SECONDED the motion.

ALL AYE ***MOTION CARRIED***

I, Renee Reynolds, County Clerk of Freestone County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

Renee Reynolds, County Clerk