

Be it remembered that on the **27th** day of **April, 2020**, at **9:00 A.M.**, the Commissioner's Court met in Session with the following present by Zoom Conference;

Judge, Mike Bennett

Commissioner Pct. #1, Kenneth Edwards
Commissioner Pct. #3, Mickey White
County & District Clerk, Mary Ellen Flores
County Attorney, Rob Baiamonte

Commissioner Pct. #2, Alonzo Morales
Commissioner Pct. #4, David Bruns
County Treasurer, Bryan Howard

When the following proceedings were had, to-wit;

Judge Bennett called the meeting to order.

Invocation by Judge Bennett.

Pledge of Allegiance to United States and the Texas Flag suspended at this time.

1. Public Communication: None

Deliberation and action on the following items:

Motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Bruns to approve the mileage reimbursement of Commissioner Morale in the amount of \$420.90.

Three Commissioners voted "Aye".

Commissioner Morales "Abstained".

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the Goliad Auto Parts invoice in the amount of \$337.77.

Three Commissioners voted "Aye".

Commissioner Bruns "Abstained".

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns and seconded by Commissioner Edwards to approve the mileage reimbursement of Commissioner White in the amount of \$353.05.

Three Commissioners voted "Aye".

Commissioner White "Abstained".

Motion Carried.

2. Consent Agenda:

- a. Approval of minutes from prior Commissioners' Court Meetings -
- b. Approval of accounts payable for Goliad County.
- c. Approval of payable for Goliad County.
- d. Approval of budget transfers.
- d. Receive reports from the following county officials and departments; take appropriate action:

Commissioner Edwards had a question about the line item transfer in the Sheriff's Office. Per the County Auditor, \$2,500.00 was moved from Extradition to 12-154-697.

Motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Bruns to approve the Consent Agenda.

Four Commissioners voted "Aye".

Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Bruns to approve the Grant Administrative Services for Mitigation Services Under the U.S. department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant Program in the amount of \$723,000.00.

Four Commissioners voted "Aye".

Motion Carried.

4. Motion by Commissioner Bruns and seconded by Commissioner White to approve the transfer of additional monies in the amount of \$900.00 for indigent burials.
Four Commissioners voted "Aye".
Motion Carried.
5. Motion by Commissioner Bruns and seconded by Commissioner Morales to approve the Goliad County Policy for Indigent Burial or Cremation of Paupers.
Four Commissioners voted "Aye".
Motion Carried.
6. Motion by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Morales to approve the Resolution regarding Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office, Criminal Justice Division **Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program, FY 2020**.
Four Commissioners voted "Aye".
Motion Carried.
7. Discussion/action in re: who authorized commissioners in Precincts 1, 2, and 4 to compensate county employees above and beyond what they were entitled to during Hurricane Harvey per David Bruns' comment in Commissioners Court on April 13, 2020?
Commissioner White – I'm just curious as to when we were allowed to pay 40 plus in comp. time. Who gave us permission? It wasn't on the agenda.
Commissioner Bruns – During Harvey all the offices were closed due to no electricity. Those employees were paid full pay for that week. So we gave our employees 40 hours of comp time with 30 minute lunches. With FEMA three precincts turned in \$50,000.00 worth of time. Precinct #3 didn't turn in one minute.
Commissioner Edwards – My precinct was hit the hardest. My guys came to work even though they had roofs off their houses and wet mattresses. For three weeks we worked and didn't even come in for lunch. They went beyond.
Commissioner Morales – I did have electricity unlike town. We cleared our area first and then came and assisted Commissioner Pct. #1. We worked every day.
Commissioner White – My guys had a job to do and I worked every day. Talk about COVID, my wife took a big pay cut; if she didn't go to work she would have been fired. We have a policy for that it's Admin. Leave. You don't give people bonuses for coming to work.
Judge Bennett – If it wasn't voted on it doesn't count. Commissioner White what do you want to do?
Commissioner White – I need to talk to legal.

No Action taken.
8. Motion by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Bruns to approve The Families First Coronavirus Response Act to include county healthcare workers, EMS and first-responders as in the Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act, to pay 100 % and to include it in our policy until 12/31/2022.
Four Commissioners voted "Aye".
Motion Carried.
9. Motion by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Bruns to move \$5,000.00 from Contingent and Uncommitted into my utility line.
Four Commissioners Voted "Aye".
Motion Carried.
10. **Public Announcements**
Commissioner Bruns – We never set a curfew for County, just checking.
Judge Bennett – No curfew
Commissioner Morales –Judge we have another thing to vote on. We have TX. Dot and the Resolution that is in my packet.

Judge Bennett – I don't know what you are talking about. I don't have that.
Judge Bennett – Wednesday, we are going to open up the doors at the Courthouse and Annexes. It will be up to the individual offices to open up their doors. Hopefully this is our last phone conference. On the 2nd meeting in May we will have court in the District Courtroom.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns and seconded by Commissioner Morales to adjourn the meeting.

Four Commissioners voted "Aye".

Motion Carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.



Mary Ellen Flores, County Clerk
Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court
Goliad County, Texas