

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF DONLEY

BE IT REMEMBERED THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS met in REGULAR SESSION open to the public this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2016 at 9:00 a.m., CST. In the Commissioners' Courtroom in the Courthouse. County Judge JOHN HOWARD, presiding, calling this session of the Court to order with:

COMMISSIONER PRECT. # 1	MARK WHITE
COMMISSIONER, PRECT. # 2	DANIEL FORD
COMMISSIONER, PRECT. # 3	ANDY WHEATLY
COMMISSIONER, PRECT. # 4	DAN SAWYER

RHONDA AVENI, Ex-Oficio Clerk of Commissioners Court

THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS WAS TRANSACTED:

1. Call To Order.
2. Invocation – Kirk Watson, First Methodist Church
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Determine if Quorum Present. Duly noted that the above 5 members of the Court were present.
5. Public Comment - None
6. Approval and/or Correction of minutes (# 5 on November 14, Resolution passed) of previous sessions. It was noted that Other Business Item # 5 on the November 14, 2016 minutes indicated that no action was taken. However, a resolution was passed to apply for the Solid Waste Grant through PRPC. Motion was made by Mark White, seconded by Daniel Ford, to correct the minutes of the November 14, 2016 minutes as indicated. ALL VOTED FOR; NONE AGAINST.

The subjects to be discussed, considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken are as follows:

7. Audit and Pay Bills for the Month of November 2016, County Treasurer's financial report and Office Reports. MOTION BY DAN SAWYER, SECONDED BY DANIEL FORD to pay the November 2016 bills as presented, the County Treasurer's financial report and the office reports. ALL VOTED FOR; NONE AGAINST.

8. Visitors

1. Henry Stephens – VOIP Telephone System 1:30 p.m. - PRESENT
2. Pam Mason – JP 1&2 PRESENT
3. Sheriff Butch Blackburn and Deputy Miranda Betts – Sheriff's office SHERIFF

BLACKBURN DID APPEAR.

9. Other Business

1. Consider County and District Clerk's membership to the Texas District Court Alliance. MOTION BY DAN SAWYER, SECONDED BY ANDY WHEATLY to pay \$50 dues for the County and District Clerk to join the District Court Alliance. ALL VOTED FOR; NONE AGAINST.
2. Consider lease of a Ricoh copier for the Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1&2's office. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.
3. Consider method of payment of the longevity pay for county officials and employees. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.
4. Consider the "Voice over Internet Protocol" phone system for the county offices. HENRY STEPHENS WILL GET A BETTER QUOTE AND LOOK INTO LETTING THE JUDGE'S

OFFICE TRY IT OUT FOR A MONTH OR TWO BEFORE POSSIBLY CONVERTING ENTIRE PHONE SYSTEM. OTHERWISE, NO ACTION TAKEN ON BUYING THE ENTIRE SYSTEM.

5. Consider resolution in opposition to SearchTX statewide electronic county records database. A RESOLUTION WAS PASSED IN OPPOSITION TO STATE'S USE OF SEARCHTX DATABASE. ALL VOTED FOR; NONE AGAINST.

6. Consider request from Cherry family to purchase the Cherry Drug Store sign in Hedley. WHEN THE PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE SIGN, PAY THE BACK TAXES ON THE BUILDING; THEN THEY CAN ACQUIRE THE SIGN. MOTION BY DANIEL FORD; SECONDED BY MARK WHITE. ALL VOTED FOR; NONE AGAINST.

7. Discuss application for Solid Waste Management grant. NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN. GRANT APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED.

8. Consider disposition of old tires at the county dump. NO FORMAL ACTION TAKEN.

9. Letters to the Court. A BALLOT WAS RECEIVED TO VOTE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY HEALTH AND EMPLOYEES BENEFIT POOL. JUDGE HOWARD AND COMMISSIONERS VOTED AND RETURNED BALLOT.

10. Adjourn, Subject To Call.

#### APPROVAL CERTIFICATE

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IN THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT IN AND FOR DONLEY COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016, REGULAR SESSION; WERE FOUND TRUE AND CORRECT AND ARE HEREBY APPROVED THIS THE JANUARY 9, 2017.

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FAY VARGAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO  
CLERK OF COMMISSIONERS COURT BY  
DONLEY COUNTY TEXAS

BY RHONDA AVENI, COUNTY JUDGE'S SECRETARY AND EX-OFICIO CLERK