

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF HENDERSON §

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Commissioner's Court met in **Regular Session on April 28th, 2020 @ 9:00 A.M.** with the following members present, to-wit:

Wade McKinney	County Judge
Scotty Thomas	Comm. Pct. # 1
Scott Tuley	Comm. Pct. # 2
Charles McHam	Comm. Pct. # 3
Milburn Chaney	Comm. Pct. # 4

And transacted the following business, to-wit:

Judge McKinney called the meeting to order @ 9:02 A.M.

There were no citizens' comments.

Motion made by Comm. Tuley and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on April 21st, 2020, as listed on copy in file. Voted unanimously by the court.

Jeff Weinstein, Athens, Texas, first of all I would like to thank you Judge and the Commissioners for you hard work during this Pandemic and for the best interest for the county. There are two items I want to speak to, one is the testing. For two weeks since April 13th, 2020 we haven't increased the number of testing being done in the county. When you see 176 tests done in a county that has over 80,000 people, the problem is with the decision making, you don't have the data to show for making good decisions for Henderson County. There are 24 people that have the Covid Virus in Henderson County, we are praying for a speedy recovery for them. If we really want to figure out what is going on in our community you are going to have to figure out how to ramp up the testing. I am already hearing the discussion that you are going to start opening up some places in Henderson County. That is saying it is okay to let people die for our economy. I want our county to be safe before opening up everything. The second thing we are not on a 14 day decline or a straight line flat line. We are on day three which is great. I think that you all have an excellent opportunity here to educate people. In the last meeting the 60th minute of the meeting you discussed what people should do, I hope what you should do today is to discuss several factors; I hope you promote people wearing masks and maintain social distancing.

Clint Davis, County Attorney, on extending the declaration for an additional two weeks and for it to expire on our next Commissioners' Court meeting. On the orders we have in place, you know expire on April 30th, 2020. The only thing that remains different from the State is we have the short term rentals. Come Friday morning this will change because the Governor has opened all retail, restaurants with restrictions to keep capacity at 25%. My suggestion is to let our orders expire on April 30th, 2020 and not issue any additional orders and follow the Governors orders. The declaration is completely different from the orders; the declaration is for public health emergency and will continue for several more weeks. Texas has just reached 1% of the total population of the state being tested for the virus. Testing that is lacking here is also lacking everywhere else and has been at testing for two and half months and we are just now at 1% of the population for testing. We don't have the density as larger cities.

Motion made by Comm. McHam and seconded by Comm. Chaney to approve extending the Public Health Emergency Declaration and the inclusion of additional emergency Orders of Commissioners Court through May 12th, 2020. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. Tuley and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the InterLocal Agreement to assist a Governmental Entity with the City of enchanted Oaks, located in Precinct #2, giving Comm. Tuley authorization to sign. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made Comm. Tuley and seconded by Comm. Chaney to approve accepting a donation from Michael Cathey, for the use of an electronic sign to provide information to the public for a road closure of CR 2930 (Peach Tree Road), located in Precinct #2. Voted unanimously by the court.

No action taken on matters pertaining to County Transportation Infrastructure Funding Grant.

There were no Financial Reports submitted.

Motion made by Comm. McHam and seconded by Comm. Chaney to approve the donations to Henderson County from Mike Smith, 80 N95 Mask, Alene Henson, 155 Cloth Mask, Mary Boyd, 40 12oz bottles of Hand Sanitizer and Ginger Carter 12 Cloth Mask. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. Thomas and seconded by Comm. Tuley to approve the Payroll Distributions for BW #8. Voted unanimously by the court.

There were no Account Cash Sheets submitted.

There were no Contracts submitted.

Motion made by Comm. Tuley and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the Right-of-Way Permit for East Cedar Creek FWSD to bore and place a 2" low-pressure sewer main line on leisure Land Drive, in the Leisure Land Subdivision, located in Precinct #2, giving Comm. Tuley authorization to sign. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. McHam and seconded by Comm. Chaney to approve the Right-of-Way Permit for Bethel Ash WSC to bore and install a water line within the Right-of-Way on CR 3704, located in Precinct #3, giving Comm. McHam authorization to sign. Voted unanimously by the court

Motion made by Comm. Chaney and seconded by Comm. Tuley to approve the Budget Amendments for Auction Proceeds. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. Tuley and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the Budget Amendments for R & B miscellaneous income 1st quarter. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. Chaney and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the payment of bills *FY2020* in the amount of \$318,342.61, as listed on copy in file. Voted unanimously by the court.

There were no Plats submitted.

There were no Bids submitted.

Motion made by Comm. McHam and seconded by Comm. Tuley to adjourn the meeting @ 9:54 A.M. Voted unanimously by the court.

Read and Approved:



County Judge, Wade McKinney