

*Notice of Meeting and Agenda
February 02, 2021*

Jeff R. Branick, County Judge
Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One
Brent A. Weaver, Commissioner, Precinct Two
Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three
Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four



**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA
OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS
February 02, 2021**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **02nd** day of **February 2021** in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas.

Said meeting will be a **Special** meeting for the purpose of transacting the routine business of the County. Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids for services who wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Judge's Office to arrange for assistance.

In addition to the routine business of the County, the subject of said meeting will be the following:

10:00 a.m.- Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with our attorney regarding a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas would conflict with this chapter.

Jefferson County has taken steps to minimize the exposure of COVID-19 by implementing the following steps to allow the public to view the Commissioner's Court meeting. The following options are available: View live with audio from the County Webpage:

https://co.jefferson.tx.us/comm_crt/commlink.htm Listen to audio by calling 346-248-7799 Meeting ID: 917 160 6532# Participant ID: #The court will also have a question and answer session at the end of the meeting. If you would like to ask any questions of the Court, please be on the phone

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call. The Court will give a question and answer session at the end of the meeting as time allows. You will be called upon by your last 4 digits of your phone number. If you do not have any questions, you can pass. Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website. The court will also have a question and answer session at the end of the meeting. If you would like to ask any questions of the Court, please be on the phone call. The Court will give a question and answer session at the end of the meeting as time allows. You will be called upon by your last 4 digits of your phone number. If you do not have any questions, you can pass. Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website.

INVOCATION: Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One

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COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (a) Consider and approve budget transfer – Visitors Center - additional cost for phones.

286-8040-465-3084	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$1,165.00	
286-8040-465-5062	TRAVEL EXPENSE		\$1,165.00

[ccVisitorsCenter -020221.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve budget transfer – Jury – purchase of laptop for Roving Court Coordinator.

110-2027-412-6002	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	\$1,435.00	
110-2027-412-3084	MINOR EQUIPMENT		\$500.00
110-2027-412-5062	TRAVEL EXPENSE		\$935.00

[ccJury 020221.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$1,846.56 to Texas Department of Criminal Justice for February insurance reimbursement.
- (d) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$1,395,935.85 to LaSalle for revenue received from entities for inmate housing.
- (e) Consider and approve the following restructure of the Jail that will result in the reduction of one net position and an estimated annual savings including fringes of \$39,940. The following positions would be eliminated: Assistant Deputy Chief (\$97,870), Building Maintenance Supervisor (\$65,889), Lieutenant (\$74,725), Receptionist/Clerk (\$37,971). And, the following positions would be created: (3) Captain (each \$84,078).

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- (f) Consider and approve acceptance of donation of \$2,000 from individual to be used for equipment for the Sheriff's office.

- (g) Regular County Bills – check #479258 through checks #479443.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to extend the Declaration of Local Disaster dated 03-13-2020, Pursuant to Section 418.108 (b) of the Texas Government Code.

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[RESOLUTION FOR COVID 19 PANDEMIC\(4\).pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution to renew and extend the Disaster Declaration issued for Hurricane Delta.
[RESOLUTION TO RENEW AND EXTEND THE DISASTER DECLARATION FOR HURRICANE DELTA\(1\).pdf](#)
- (c) Consider and possibly approve extending the Disaster Declaration for Hurricane Laura.
[RESOLUTION TO EXTEND DISASTER DECLARATION FOR HURRICANE LAURA \(2\).pdf](#)
- (d) Receive and file Oath of Office and Statement of Officer for Sheri Arnold as Commissioner to the Sabine- Neches Navigation District.
[OATH OF OFFICE AND STATEMENT OF OFFICER FOR SHERI ARNOLD.pdf](#)
- (e) Receive and file Executed Agreement between Jefferson County and the City of Beaumont for Operation of the Government PEG Channel.
[EXECUTED AGREEMENT BETWEEN JEFF CNTY AND THE CITY OF BMT FOR GOVERNMENT PEG.pdf](#)
- (f) Consider and possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute a Parking Lease between Jefferson County and City of Port Arthur Section 4A Economic Development Corporation for a parcel of land to be utilized as a parking lot.
[PARKING LOT LEASE BETWEEN JEFF COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PORT ARTHUR.pdf](#)
- (g) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution to authorize the County Judge to execute a grant application from the Criminal Justice Division to continue the operation of the Jefferson County Crime Victims' Clearinghouse/Victims' Assistance Center for the fiscal year 2021-2022. This grant is made available pursuant to the Victims of Crime Act.
[RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE A GRANT APPLICATION FOR JEFF CNTY CRIME VICTIMS NO 2103210.pdf](#)
- (h) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution authorizing the grant application of the LEPTA Sustaining Special Response Teams for FYI 2021-2022. Grant No. 4228801
[RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANT APPLICATION OF THE LEPTA GRANT NO 4228801.pdf](#)
- (i) Consider and possibly approve a Proclamation for Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce February 2021 Salute to Southeast Texas Workforce Month.
[PROCLAMATION FOR SALUTE TO SOUTHEAST TEXAS WORKFORCE MONTH.pdf](#)

COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution giving permission to the Sheriff to conduct an auction to sell property currently held by Jefferson

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County and the entities for which it collects. The auction will be held on the first Tuesday of April 2021.

[Resolution - Sheriff Sale.pdf](#)

ENGINEERING:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Minor Plat of 11.868 Acres, being all of a 3.00-acre tract, all of a 5.780 acre tract, and the residue of a 12.859 acre tract into the Ruth Ann Sherman Addition No. 1. This plat is located on F.M. Highway 365 in Precinct #4 and is not within any ETJ (extra-territorial jurisdiction). All of the platting requirements in the Jefferson County Engineering Department have been met.

[February 2, 2021-Ruth Ann Sherman Addition #1.pdf](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing Stephen Walker for his 21 years of service to the Jefferson County Environmental Control and to the citizens of Jefferson County and wishing him well in his retirement.

[RESOLUTION FOR STEPHEN WALKER.pdf](#)

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve, receive and file TAC Cybersecurity Course Enrollment form for 2021.

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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing Vertis Malvo, Jr., for 27 years and 10 months of dedicated service to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and to the citizens of Jefferson County and in wishing him well in his retirement.

[RESOLUTION FOR VERTIS MALVO JR.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing James Kelly III for 27 years and 3 months of dedicated service to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and to the citizens of Jefferson County and in wishing him well in his retirement.

[RESOLUTION FOR JAMES KELLY III.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing Craig Turner, for 28 years and 8 months of dedicated service to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and to the citizens of Jefferson County and in wishing him well in his retirement.

[RESOLUTION FOR CRAIG TURNER.pdf](#)

OTHER BUSINESS:

Receive reports from Elected Officials and staff on matters of community interest without taking action.

*****DISCUSSION ON ANY OTHER ITEM NOT ON AGENDA WITHOUT TAKING ACTION.**

Jeff R. Branick
County Judge