

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
January 24, 2023

Jeff R. Branick, County Judge
Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One
Cary Erickson, 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
January 24, 2023**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **24th** day of **January 2023** 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:

9:30 am - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.0725 to deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated, that deliberation in open meeting, would have a detrimental effect on the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person

9:45 am - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071 to consult with our attorney regarding pending or anticipated litigation.

10:00 am - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section` 551.0725 to deliberate business and financial issues relating to a contract being negotiated for economic development and real property, and security that deliberation in open

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meeting, would have a detrimental effect on the Commissioners Court in negotiations with a third person

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 347-973-4395, conference id 113569383# The court will also have a time for public comments at the end of the meeting. If you would like to speak at that time, please be on the phone call. The Court will allow public comments related to items on the agenda that day at the end of the meeting as time allows. Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website.

INVOCATION: Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Cary Erickson, Commissioner, Precinct Two

PURCHASING:

- (a) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file contracts for (RFP 22-045/MR) Architect Services for Jefferson County Correctional Facility /Crime Lab Remodeling with Burns Architecture, LLC.

[Contract \(RFP 22-045 MR\) Correctional Facility.pdf](#)
[Contract \(RFP 22-045 MR\) Crime Lab.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Amendment No. 1 (one) to contract (IFB 22-046/MR) Term Contract for Trash and Biomedical Waste Container Service for Jefferson County. This amendment will add weekly service for the Mid County Tax Office at a cost of \$36.80 per month.

[Amendment 1 \(IFB 22-046 MR\).pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a purchase agreement for the purchase of fifty (50) burial spaces in accordance with (IFB 18-036/YS), Term Contract for Indigent Burial Plots for Jefferson County with Claybar Haven of Rest Cemetery. The purchase price is \$305.00 each for a total of \$15,250.00.

[Purchase Agreement \(IFB 18-036 YS\).pdf](#)

- (d) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a Professional Services Agreement (PROF 23-010/JW) with e. Sullivan Advertising and Design, Inc. to be appointed Marketing Communications Agency for the Jack Brooks Regional Airport commencing October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023 for an amount not to exceed \$39,000.00 for the marketing and promotion of the airport. These services will be funded by budgeted funds.

[\(PROF 23-010 JW\) e.Sullivan-Marketing for JBRA.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider and approve award for Invitation for Bid (IFB 22-071/JW) Mesquite Point Public Boat Ramp (Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Contract No. CA-0000997) to Brizo Construction, LLC. in the amount of \$1,558,404.00; pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 326. This project is funded by a combination of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department grant funds, Chenier donation funds, and County ARPA revenue replacement funds.

- (f) Discuss and possibly approve the Purchasing Agent to enter into contract negotiations for Request for Proposal (RFP 22-066/MR) Renewable Energy Generating Facility Located in Jefferson County.

- (g) Consider and approve disposition of salvage property as authorized by Local Government Code §263.152 (3), for broken or obsolete property.

[Salvage Property.pdf](#)

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- (h) Consider and approve disposal of scrap metal. Scrap property to be transported to a metal salvage company and there sold for such price as it may command and return funds to the County.

[Scrap Property.pdf](#)

COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (a) Consider and approve using American Rescue Plan Lost Revenue funding to purchase a Gradall for Road & Bridge Pct 1. Cost is estimated at \$536,000.

[Pct 1 Gradall.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve budget transfer – Human Resources - additional cost needed for replacement printer.

120-1012-415-3084	MINOR EQUIPMENT	\$20.00	
120-1012-415-6002	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT		\$20.00

[ccHuman Resources -012423.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve budget transfer – Juvenile Detention – additional cost for building maintenance items.

120-3064-424-4009	BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	\$25,000.00	
120-3064-424-1002	ASSISTANTS & CLERKS		\$25,000.00

[ccJuvenile Detention -012423.pdf](#)

- (d) Consider and approve budget transfer – Jail – additional cost for overtime.

120-3062-423-1098	OVERTIME ALLOWANCE	\$300,000.00	
120-3062-423-2003	EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE		\$300,000.00

[ccJail -012423.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$1,800,000 to State Comptroller for the first half of IGT for Indigent Health Care – County funds.

- (f) Consider and approve Interlocal Agreement for Professional Engineering Services and widening of the North Fork of Taylor’s Bayou at State Highway 124 between Jefferson County and Drainage District #6.

[ccInterlocal Agreement-Prof.EngineeringServices -012423.pdf](#)

- (g) Regular County Bills – check #502681 through check #502846

[0502681_0502846.pdf](#)

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- (h) Consider and approve budget amendment - Road & Bridge Pct 3 - replacement of vehicle due to accident.

113-0309-431-6042	TRUCKS & TRAILERS	\$42,000.00	
120-9999-415-9999	CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION		\$42,000.00

[cc Pct 3.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Receive and file executed Second Amendment to Abatement Agreement between Jefferson County and Port Arthur LNG, LLC (PALNG) pursuant to Texas Property Code Sec. 312.401 et seq.

[2nd Amendment to 312 Agreement \(signed\)_EXECUTED.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and possibly approve exempting the following groups from paying for security during their scheduled events, when using the Jury Impaneling Room, for the year 2023:

Dispute Resolution Center Election School Family Services Jefferson County Bar Association Jefferson County Democratic Party Jefferson County Republican Party Jefferson County Libertarian Party Jefferson County Green Party Jefferson County Clerk's office for meetings and training related to Elections Jefferson County Coalition for Victims of Crime Jefferson County Deputy Constable Association Jefferson County District Clerk's office for Passport Day

The security expense will be paid via budgeted Courthouse Security Fee fund.

[Jury Impaneling Room Security Fee Exemptions 20231.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and possibly approve submission of the grant application for the Jefferson County Crime Victims' Clearinghouse/Victims' Assistance Center to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division. Grant Application Confirmation Number: 2103212

[VOCA resolution 23-24.pdf](#)

- (d) Consider and approve a resolution in support of the grant application for the Jefferson County Family Treatment Drug Court with the Criminal Justice Division for FY 2023-2024. No matching funds are required.

[Family Drug Court 2023-24.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider, possibly approve, authorize the County Judge and Sheriff to execute, receive and file CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form to enable Jefferson County to participate fully in the grant authority of the Office of the Governor grant funding.

[CEO Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form.pdf](#)

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- (f) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution regarding the application for the grant from Family Violence/Crimes Against Women Unit/Criminal District Attorney to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for funding from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

[Resolution for VAWA Application No 1346626.pdf](#)

CRIME LAB:

- (a) Consider and approve a Resolution to approve the application for the Coverdell Forensic Sciences Improvement Grant Program. This grant is available through the CJD (Criminal Justice Division), with no grant match for the 2024 project year.

[Coverdell Grant 2023.pdf](#)

CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve the hiring of George Nedd as a Reserve Deputy Constable with the office of Constable, Precinct 1 pursuant to Local Government Code 86.011

[George Nedd.pdf](#)

JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution commending Tiffany Turner for 32 years and 9 months of devoted service to the Jefferson County Juvenile Probation Department and wishing her well in her retirement.

[Tiffany Turner retirement resolution.pdf](#)

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL:

- (a) Consider and approve permit refund to DJM Contractors LTD. (DBA Cormier Homes) in the amount of \$322.50 for a new home building permit. The new home was found to be located in the City of Nome. The City of Nome handles building permits within the City Limits.

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a resolution to authorize the County Judge to execute a grant application with the Office of the Governor for the 2023 State Homeland Security Program Grant-Regular Projects SHSP-R. No matching funds are required.

[Letter-SHSP.pdf](#)
[Resolution-SHSP.pdf](#)

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- (b) Consider and possibly approve a resolution to authorize the County Judge to execute a grant application with the Office of the Governor for the 2023 LEPTA Sustaining Special Response Team Project Funding. No matching funds are required.

[Letter - LEPTA.pdf](#)
[Resolution-LEPTA.pdf](#)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Plat of Brai Industrial Complex, 15.21 Acres out of and a part of the T&NO RR Survey, Section No. 3, A-258, Jefferson County, Texas. The property is off of Brai Drive (A Private Road) in Precinct No. 2. This Plat is not located in any ETJ and has met all of Jefferson County's platting requirements.

[Plat of Brai Industrial Complex_Comm Court.pdf](#)

COUNTY TREASURER:

- (a) Consider and approve wire for \$76.00 to cover Safekeeping Fees from Wells Fargo Securities for the month of December, 2022
- (b) Consider and approve Quarterly Report/wire for State Pooled Fees in the amount of \$294,877.05.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

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

Jeff R. Branick
County Judge