

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
October 31, 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
October 31, 2023**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **31st** day of **October 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:

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Vernon Pierce, Commissioner, Precinct One

PURCHASING:

- (a) Consider and approve a bid due date extension for Invitation for Bid (IFB 23-065/MR) Term Contract for Mowing for Jefferson County from November 1, 2023 at 11:00 am to November 15, 2023 at 11:00 am.
- (b) Receive and file bids for Invitation for Bid (IFB 23-055/MR) Term Contract for Morgue Transport Service for Jefferson County.
[Bid \(IFB 23-055 MR\) Proctors Mortuary Transport.pdf](#)
[Bid \(IFB 23-055 MR\) Rasberry Family Funeral Home.pdf](#)
- (c) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file contract for Request for Proposal (RFP 23-052/MR) Janitorial Services for Jefferson County with Southeast Texas Building Services, Inc. for an annual total of \$488,716.00.
[Contract RFP 23-052 MR.pdf](#)
- (d) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a contract amendment for (RFP 22-021/YS), Comprehensive Inmate Technology Services Package for Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Downtown Jail and Minnie Rogers Juvenile Justice Center. This amendment will assign the continuation of services under this term contract to Smart Communications Holding LLC, as this business has entered into a corporate restructuring with Smart Communications Holding Inc.
[Consent to Assignment \(RFP 22-021 YS\).pdf](#)
- (e) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Change Order No. 4 for (IFB 23-005/JW) Jerry Ware Terminal and Aircraft Fire Fighting (ARFF) Station Rehabilitation with N & T Construction Company, Inc. for a total amount of \$3,746.53 to address the slopes in the corridors outside the shower areas/ramp at restroom and the addition of elastomeric patching compound for fractured terrazzo on second and third level stairs; bringing the total contract amount from \$2,555,674.80 up to \$2,559,421.33. This change order does not increase the number of working days, with the substantial completion date remaining as November 4, 2023. This project is pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318 – 326; and 100% funded by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airport Improvement Program (AIP Grant #37).
[Change Order No. 4 \(IFB 23-006 JW\) N&T Construction-JBRA Jerry Ware Terminal-ARFF Rehab.pdf](#)

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COUNTY AUDITOR:

- (a) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$212,389.17 to State Comptroller for Intergovernmental Governmental Transfer for Jefferson County Local Provider Participation Fund for the Graduate Medical Education Program.
- (b) Consider and approve advance funding request for American Rescue Plan Act approved project with City of China in the amount of \$50,000.
[ccFunding - AmericanRescuePlanAct\(ARPA\)- City Of China -103123.pdf](#)
- (c) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$548,460.12 to LaSalle for revenue received from entities for inmate housing.
- (d) Consider and approve settlement of \$18,765.79 for damage done to Old Nome Road and ditch by Hulcher Services Inc.
[ccSettlement -Hulcher Services -103123.pdf](#)
- (e) Consider and approve wire transfer for \$371,650.77 for home buyout purchase through the Texas GLO CDBG -Hurricane Harvey Home Buyout Grant.
[ccHome Buyout Grant -Hurricane Harvey -103123.pdf](#)
- (f) Regular County Bills – check #511408 through check #511646.
[0511408_0511646.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute the Southeast Texas Auto Task Force Interlocal Agreement for 2024 Grant year.
[FY2024 Interlocal Agreement20231024_09291983.pdf](#)
- (b) Receive and file executed Abatement Agreement between Jefferson County and Golden Triangle Storage LLC for Phase 1 (then 2,3 4)
[GTS Jefferson County Tax Abatement Phase 1_signed.pdf](#)
[GTS Jefferson County Tax Abatement Phase 2_signed.pdf](#)
[GTS Jefferson County Tax Abatement Phase 3_signed.pdf](#)
[GTS Jefferson County Tax Abatement Phase 4_signed.pdf](#)
- (c) Consider and possibly approve an order to extend the Burn Ban issued on October 25, 2023 pursuant to Sec. 352.081, Texas Local Government Code.
[102523 BURN BAN.pdf](#)
[Order to Extend Burn Ban.pdf](#)

TAX OFFICE:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing Pam Yates for her 29 years of service to Jefferson County and to the citizens of Jefferson County and wishing her well in her retirement.

[Resolution -Pam Yates Retirement.pdf](#)

HUMAN RESOURCES:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve granting extended leave without pay for up to 90 days for Sommer Harris, an employee of the Sheriff's Department.

RISK MANAGEMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve Public Official's Bond for the following appointed official: Terry Wuenschel, Tax Assessor – Collector.

[Terry Wuenschel, POB 107929963 - Jefferson County Commissioners Court.pdf](#)

[Terry Wuenschel, POB 107929971 - State of Texas, Comptroller.pdf](#)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Receive and file Advance Funding Agreement CSJ 0920-38-287 between TX DOT and Jefferson County for replacement of the bridge on Erie Street at LNVA Canal. Project located in Precinct 4.

[AFA\(IHJA\) CSJ 0920-38-287 CR 336 \(Erie St\) @ LNVA Canal_2023-06-27.docx.pdf](#)

- (b) Receive and file Advance Funding Agreement CSJ 0920-38-297 between TX DOT and Jefferson County for replacement of the bridge on Mason Road at Pignut Gully. Project located in Precinct 1.

[0920-38-297 AFA MASTER TEMPLATE-REVISED 2023-05-03 Mason Rd.pdf](#)

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (d) Consider and possibly approve a proclamation for Veterans Day.

[Veterans day 2023.pdf](#)

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Please consider and possibly approve a resolution for Jeanette C. Dotson a Corrections Officer for 32 years and 9 months of service and wishing her well in her retirement.

[Dotson.pdf](#)
[Jeannette C. Dotson Resolution.pdf](#)

- (b) Please consider and possibly approve a resolution for Stephen Pieper a Maintenance Employee at the Correctional Facility for 9 years and 7 months of service and wishing him well in his retirement.

[Pieper.pdf](#)
[Stephen Pieper's Resolution.pdf](#)

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