

Notice of Meeting and Agenda
January 30, 2024

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 30, 2024**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **10:30 AM**, on the **30th** day of **January 2024** 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:

9:15 am - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 to consult with our attorney regarding pending or anticipated litigation.

9:30 am - Announcement of an executive (closed) session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.076 to deliberate the deployment, or specific occasions for security implementation of security personnel or devices, that deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the security in the Courthouse.

9:45 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

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

NOTICE: Commissioner Pierce may attend and participate in this Commissioners Court Meeting via videoconference. A quorum of members of Commissioners Court and the presiding officer will be physically present for this meeting in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 4th Floor, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas. Commissioner Pierce shall be considered present for this meeting but shall be considered absent from any portion of the meeting during which audio or video communication with him is lost or disconnected. Commissioners Court will continue the meeting while Commissioner Pierce is absent.

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 beginning 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 beginning of the meeting. Public comments will be limited to 3 minutes per person.

Please be mindful that the audio portion of this meeting will be of better quality from the website.

INVOCATION: Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct Three

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Everette "Bo" Alfred, Commissioner, Precinct Four

PURCHASING:

- (a) Consider and approve specifications for Invitation for Bid (IFB 24-005/MR) Crime Lab Vehicle Search/Investigation Building Renovation, Pursuant to Chapter 262, Texas Local Government Code, the County Purchasing Act and 2 CFR Sections 200.318-326. Funded by American Rescue Plan Act.

[Specifications \(IFB 24-005 MR\).pdf](#)

- (b) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file Acceptance of Offer for Invitation for Bid (IFB 23-057/MR) Term Contract for Inmate Clothing and Supplies with Acme Supply, Bob Barker, Charm-Tex and Victory Supply with pricing as shown in Attachment A.

[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-057 MR\) Acme Supply.pdf](#)
[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-057 MR\) Bob Barker.pdf](#)
[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-057 MR\) Charm-Tex.pdf](#)
[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-057 MR\) Victory Supply.pdf](#)
[Attachment A \(IFB 23-057 MR\).pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a contract with Langford Community Management Services, Inc. for Request for Proposal (RFP 23-066/JW) Professional Grant Administration and Management Services for Texas General Land Office (GLO) Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Resilient Communities Program.

[Contract for \(RFP 23-066 JW\) Grant Admin GLO CDBG-MIT Resilient Communities.pdf](#)

- (d) Consider and approve award, execute, receive and file Acceptance of Offer for Invitation for Bid (IFB 23-072/MR) Term Contract for Legal Notices for Jefferson County with Beaumont Enterprise, The Examiner Corporation, and Port Arthur News with pricing as shown in Attachment A.

[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-02 MR\) Beaumont Enterprise.pdf](#)
[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-072 MR\) The Examiner Corporation.pdf](#)
[Acceptance of Offer \(IFB 23-072 MR\) Port Arthur News.pdf](#)
[Attachment A \(IFB 23-072 MR\).pdf](#)

- (e) Discuss and possibly approve the Purchasing Agent to enter into contract negotiations for Request for Proposal (RFP 23-071/MR) Commissary Services for Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

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(f) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file Change Order No. 5 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 \$58,888.18; bringing the total contract amount from \$2,559,421.33 up to \$2,618,309.51 for the painting of repaired kitchen walls, re-roofing of damaged roof discovered during construction, installation of mud bed under ceramic for warranty purposes, revision of emergency exit doors and frames at 2nd and 3rd floor exterior due to increased size of roof curbs at door openings, replacement of rotten areas of plywood decking, and addition and installation of 600 amp circuit breaker for Automated Transfer Switch (ATS) that is currently in stock allowing the installation of generators and ATS within a two-week timeframe (with no additional contractor's charge from N&T in an effort to get work approved and completed). This change order does not change the number of contract working days and 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. 5 \(IFB 23-055 JW\) N&T-JBRA Main Terminal & ARFF Rehab.pdf](#)

(g) Consider and approve, execute, receive and file a purchase agreement for the purchase of ten (10) burial spaces with Claybar Haven of Rest Cemetery. The purchase price is \$305.00 each for a total of \$3,050.00.

[Claybar Haven of Rest.pdf](#)

(h) Consider and approve additional allocation of \$9,903.00 of American Rescue Plan Lost Revenue Funding for change of Mosquito Control Vehicle from 2022 model to 2023 model due to availability. The Mosquito Control Vehicle funding was originally budgeted at \$25,600.00, with this additional allocation the total funding will be \$35,503.00.

COUNTY AUDITOR:

(a) Consider and approve budget transfer - Tax - replacement of envelope opener.

120-1011-415-6001	OFFICE MACHINES	\$5,315.00	
120-1011-415-3078	OFFICE SUPPLIES		\$2,315.00
120-1011-415-3084	MINOR EQUIPMENT		\$3,000.00

[cc Tax.pdf](#)

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- (b) Consider and approve budget amendment - General Services - ups for Meeker radio tower.

120-1024-419-6035	COMMUNICATION EQUIP	\$28,000.00	
120-9999-415-9999	CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION		\$28,000.00

[cc General Services.pdf](#)

- (c) Consider and approve electronic disbursements for \$576,247.72 to LaSalle for revenue received from entities for inmate housing.

- (d) Consider and approve electronic disbursements for \$1,800,000 to State Comptroller for the first half of IGT for indigent health care.

[cc State IGT.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider and approve electronic disbursement for \$7,909,985.37 to State Comptroller for Intergovernmental Governmental Transfer for Jefferson County LPPF for the Uncompensated Care Program.

[cc LPPF UC IGT.pdf](#)

- (f) Regular County Bills check #513961 through check #514163.

[0513961_0514163.pdf](#)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

- (a) Receive and file executed Abatement Agreement between Jefferson County and GT Logistics LLC executed pursuant to Sec. 312.401 et seq., Texas Property Tax Code.

[EXECUTED GTL BLUE AMMONIA AGREEMENT.pdf](#)

- (b) Receive and file fully executed Reinvestment Zone Order for Gt Logistics-Blue Ammonia pursuant to Chapter 312.401, et seq. Texas Tax Code.

[Fully Executed RIZ for GT Logistics Blue Ammonia.pdf](#)

- (c) 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, 2024 through August 31, 2025.

[Resolution VAWA Grant 1346627.pdf](#)

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- (d) Consider and approve the donation of gifts and services from the Junior League of Beaumont to assist the District Attorney's Office to assist with testimony of adolescent witnesses pursuant to Sec. 81.032, Local Government Code.

[Junior League of Beaumont Resolution.pdf](#)

- (e) Consider, possibly approve and authorize the County Judge to execute a Second Amended Abatement Agreement between Jefferson County and Linde, Inc. to attach the correct abatement schedule for Unit 1 of that project pursuant to Sec. 312.401, Texas Property Code.

[Sec Amended Linde ASU.pdf](#)

- (f) Consider and possibly approve a Resolution commending Annette Reedy for 24 years and 5 months of devoted service to Jefferson County and wishing her well in her retirement.

[Annette Reedy Resolution.pdf](#)

HISTORICAL COMMISSION:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve the appointment of Katherine Leister to the Jefferson County Historical Commission. She is an appointment of Commissioner Pierce.

COUNTY TREASURER:

- (a) Consider and approve Quarterly Report/wire for State Pooled Fees in the amount of \$290,871.12

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve a Replat of All of Lot 6 of Bayou Oaks Estates, Clerk File No. 2005040514, OPRJCT and a 1.842 Acre Tract of Land and a 6.000 Acre Tract of Land Shelby Corzine League, Abstract No. 14 Jefferson County, Texas into Lot 6A Bayou Oak Estates Shelby Corzine League, Abstract No. 14, Jefferson County, Texas. This Replat is located off of Labelle Road in Precinct #4 and is in City of Beaumont ETJ. This Replat has met all of Jefferson County and City of Beaumont plating requirements.

[Replat of Bayou Oaks Est-Comm Court.pdf](#)
[Replat Bayou Oaks Est-City of Bmt.pdf](#)

- (b) Consider, approve, ratify, receive, and file material cost/expense check for Construction Project 02-OW-23 and Road Use Agreement from Exxon Mobil Low Carbon Solutions, Inc for damages to Lawhon Road in Jefferson County Precinct #4.

[Pct 4 Material Cost for Lawhon Road.pdf](#)

COUNTY CLERK:

- (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 2024 State Homeland Security Program - Competitive National Priority Area Projects. No matching funds are required.

[State Homeland Security Program-Competitive National Priority Area Projects Resolution.pdf](#)

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve, execute and file a Resolution to approve an application for the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant No's 5037501, 5039101, 5039401, and 5045101 from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for FY 2025 for the Management Information Systems Dept.

[State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Projects Resolution.pdf](#)

RISK MANAGEMENT:

- (a) Consider and possibly approve Commercial Property Insurance with Lexington, lead carrier, effective February 1, 2024, for an annual premium of \$2,576,691.00.
- [01-30 Court Renewal.sgg II.pdf](#)
- (b) Consider and possibly approve Boiler and Machinery Insurance with Hartford Steam Boiler, effective February 1, 2024, for an annual premium of \$30,374.00.
- (c) Consider and possibly approve Government Crime Insurance with Great American Insurance Co., effective February 1, 2024, for an annual premium of \$5,919.00.
- (d) Consider and possibly approve Cyber Liability Insurance with Crum and Forster, effective February 1, 2024, for an annual premium of \$42,209.84.
- (e) Consider and possibly approve Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance with Midwest Employers Casualty, effective February 1, 2024, for an annual premium of \$213,514.00.

OTHER BUSINESS:

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

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

Jeff R. Branick
County Judge