

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023 AT 2:00 PM IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES III, RICK SHRIVER, DWIGHT ADAMS, TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, NICOLE MORGAN, DEPUTY CLERK, AND MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND TITLE WHEN SPEAKING, PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO THE EXTENT THAT IT IS ON TOPIC. PERSONS PARTICIPATING VIA ZOOM ARE CURRENTLY MUTED. IF YOU HAVE A COMMENT, PLEASE LET MARK KNOW VIA THE CHAT FUNCTION. MARK WILL THEN INFORM CHAIRMAN JONES, WHO CAN TAKE UP THE COMMENT IN A MANNER THAT DOES NOT DISRUPT THE AGENDA. IN THE EVENT AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS NEEDED, IT WILL BE MUTED WHEN RECESSED AND TURNED BACK ON WHEN THEY RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD/LAKE SUPERVISOR AND JACOB COWELL, KIRKHAM & MICHAEL STARTED THE BID LETTING FOR 30<sup>TH</sup> STREET. THE BIDS WERE DUE BY 1:00PM AND THERE WERE NO BIDS SUBMITTED IN PAPER OR ELECTRONICALLY. TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, ASKED THE CONSULTANT HIS THOUGHTS ON WHY THE COUNTY DID NOT RECEIVE ANY BIDS. THE CONSULTANT BELIEVES THAT THE JOB MAY HAVE BEEN TOO SMALL AND IT IS A BUSY TIME FOR COMPANIES. TYSON, ASKED THAT WE INQUIRE WHY THERE WAS NO BIDS FROM COMPANIES THAT HAD SHOWED AN INTEREST AND THEN RESTART THE BIDDING PROCESS. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHY THERE WERE NO BIDS BEFORE WE RESTART THE PROCESS. DOUG WOULD LIKE TO HIRE RYAN TORLINE AT \$15.00 PER HOUR. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE HIRING RYAN TORLINE AT \$15.00 PER HOUR FOR THE ROAD DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. DOUG, INFORMED THE COMMISSONERS OF HIS DESIRE TO PURCHASE 2000 TON OF ROAD MILLINGS FROM THE STATE FOR \$8/TON FOR A TOTAL OF \$16,000.

HEATHER MORGAN, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/COVID CONSULTANT, REPORTED THAT SHE RECEIVED AN EMAIL FROM KDOT ABOUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE BILL FOR EV CHARGING STATIONS GRANT. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO HAVE HEATHER SUBMIT THE GRANT. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

MARY ANN MCGUIRE AND SAMANTHA DUTTON, RAISED CONCERNS ABOUT EMS/FIRE AND RESCUE USING LIGHTS AND SIRENS DOWN THEIR DIRT ROAD. MARY ANN MCGUIRE COMMENDED EMS FOR NOT USING THEIR SIRENS FOR THE FATALITY ACCIDENT. SHE THEN STATED THAT FIRE DID RUN THEIR SIRENS AND SHE STATED THAT THE CATTLE WERE SCARED BY THAT AND HER FENCE WAS BROKEN BUT NO CATTLE WERE INJURED. CHAIRMAN JONES, STATED THAT THEY WILL CHECK INTO THIS.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 20, 2023. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SIX-MONTH PAY RAISE FOR JOSHUA NELSON IN THE AMOUNT OF .55 PER HOUR, FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TYSON, MADE A REQUEST TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER CONCERNING ZONING. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES AT 2:23 PM FOR AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER TO DISCUSS ZONING. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:34 PM WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER REPORTED THAT HE SPOKE WITH YOUNIES LAWN CARE AND THEY WILL COMMUNICATE WITH CHARLES THIMESCH TO COORDINATE SERVICES.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER REQUESTED AN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES AT 2:35 PM FOR AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER CONCERNING POLICY AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:35 PM FOR FIFTEEN MINUTES TO DISCUSS ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER CONCERNING POLICY AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:45 PM WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR MARCH 27, 2023. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

UNDERSHERIFF MAX BARRETT PRESENTED A CONTRACT FOR THE JAIL/COURTHOUSE SECURITY LOCKS AND CAMERAS FOR REVIEW. TYSON, MADE A REQUEST FOR THE CONTRACT TO BE SEPARATED, JAIL ON ONE CONTRACT AND COURTHOUSE ON A SEPARATE CONTRACT. THEY WILL MAKE A DECISION AT A LATER MEETING.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER ASKED IF THEY WANTED TO REVIEW THE HEALTH INSURANCE. THERE WERE NO QUESTIONS RAISED. THEY REVIEWED THE DEADLINE TO MAKE A DECISION ON OR BEFORE APRIL 10, 2023.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 2:57 PM. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED.

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THOMAS W JONES III CHAIRMAN

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RICK N SHRIVER MEMBER

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