

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2023 AT 2:00 PM IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, 1ST FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: THOMAS W. JONES III, RICK SHRIVER, DWIGHT ADAMS, TYSON EISENHAEUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, LORI VOSS, CLERK, AND MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TYSON EISENHAEUER, 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.

HEATHER MORGAN, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/COVID CONSULTANT, REPORTED THAT THE PRATT AREA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MET LAST WEEK. THE FAÇADE GRANT FOR SAWYER COOP WAS APPROVED. THE SAWYER COOP NEEDS TO PRESENT PICTURES AND THEN IT WILL BE AWARDED. ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS FOR PRATT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WILL BE MOVED TO THE PRATT AREA CHAMBER OFFICE. THEY ARE LOOKING FOR A THIRD-PARTY ACCOUNTANT TO WORK WITH THEM. PRATT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HAS SOME GRANT FUNDING BUT THERE ARE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY. PRATT COUNTY AND SEWARD COUNTY MET TO WORK WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO EXPLORE THE STUDIES OF OUR 8TH GRADE STUDENTS. HEATHER WILL BE ATTENDING THE GOVERNORS OFFICE ZOOM MEETING. SHE REPORTED PRATT COUNTY HAS A 2.2% UNEMPLOYMENT RATE.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 12, 2023. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

CLERK VOSS PRESENTED AN INVOICE FROM LANGFORD FARMS LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2301.42. SHE QUESTIONED WHICH ACCOUNT IT NEEDS TO BE PAID OUT OF. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SAID IT COULD BE PAID OUT OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT, ARPA OR THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER STATED IT COULD BE PAID OUT OF THE COMMISSIONER BUDGET.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER PRESENTED A BID FOR SPLITTING THE LAND INTO THREE TRACTS FROM KIRKHAM MICHAEL FOR AN ADDITIONAL \$1600. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED CONTRACT WITH KIRKHAM MICHAEL TO REPLAT THE TRACTS AROUND THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4000.00, TO BE PAID OUT OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT. IT WAS DECIDED TO PROCEED WITH HAVING THE PROPERTY ON NORTH HIGHWAY 61 APPRAISED AND SOLD IN THE FUTURE.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR TEN MINUTES AT 2:15 PM TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:22 PM WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TYSON STATED HE WOULD BE EXECUTING THE RESOLUTION FOR LEASING THE PRRC BUILDING TO USD 382 WHEN HE RECEIVES THE LEASE FROM USD 382.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR JUNE 19, 2023. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TARA PAGENKOPF, RSVP DIRECTOR, PRESENTED CHECKS FOR SIGNATURES.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MET A GROUP OF LADIES AT THE SAWYER STORE THAT WATCH THE MEETINGS EVERY WEEK.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RECESS THE MEETING UNTIL JUNE 22, 2023 AT 9:00 AM FOR THE BUDGET MEETING WITH SCOT LOYD, THE LOYD GROUP. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

THE RECESSED MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 AM JUNE 22, 2023 WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: THOMAS W JONES III, RICK N SHRIVER, DWIGHT ADAMS, TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK, MARK GRABER, IT AND SCOT LOYD, ACCOUNTANT WITH THE LOYD GROUP.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE FLAG SALUTE.

SCOT LOYD, ACCOUNTANT WENT OVER THE 2024 BUDGET SHEETS WITH THE COMMISSIONERS. THE NEXT BUDGET MEETING WILL BE HELD JULY 13, 2023.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 10:39 PM. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

THOMAS W JONES III CHAIRMAN

DWIGHT ADAMS MEMBER

LORI VOSS, COUNTY CLERK

RICK N SHRIVER MEMBER