

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Ronald Fitzgerald
District 1

Kim Watson
District 2

Jack Beggs
District 3

MEETING MINUTES

The Taylor County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. Supervisor Fitzgerald called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Supervisor roll call: Fitzgerald, Watson, Beggs, all present. Also present: Corey Leftwich, Josh Good and Justin Savage.

Watson motioned to approve the minutes from July 12th, as well as approve the agenda for the meeting. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

Dennis Norton asked questions regarding the studies for wind energy being done in the County, to which Fitzgerald requested Rob Welch and Holly McCoy provide some insight.

There were no committee reports.

Savage presented updates on Secondary Roads to the Board, as well as discussed current road conditions.

Savage presented Resolution 2024-01 to the Board. The resolution would allow the County to accept the gift of real estate in the New Market being donated by Susan and Keane Thummel. Watson motioned to approve the Resolution as presented. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

Savage presented Resolution 2024-02 to the board. The resolution would update the intersection traffic control at Jerico Avenue & 250th Street, removing the stop sign and installing a curve sign. Beggs motioned to approve the Resolution as presented. Watson seconded. MC 3-0.

The Board discussed economic development agreements drafted for Bedford, Lenox and New Market. These agreements would allow the County to contract with various economic development entities to provide economic development services to the County in exchange for a contribution from economic development funds received by the County from LOST. The Board discussed the agreements with various representatives from those entities. Watson motioned to approve the agreements as presented. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

The Board discussed the funding amount that will be provided to the different economic development entities. They discussed providing approximately \$2 per person per capita, with \$3,000 to Bedford, \$3000 to Lenox, and \$1,000 for New Market. Beggs motioned to approve the funding amounts as presented. Watson seconded. MC 3-0.

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The Board discussed the requested funding for the walking trail extension in Lenox. Jo Adams answered questions from the Board. Beggs motioned to approve the funding amount of \$10,000 from ARPA funds to assist with the construction of the trail, with the fund being paid to the City of Lenox specifically to fund the walking trail. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

Chief Deputy Bucher presented a request to the Board to hire Amanda Schultz and Elizabeth Schrodtr for the position of dispatcher at \$18 an hour. Watson motioned to approve the hiring as presented. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

The Board discussed Courthouse maintenance projects. Shellia Culp presented concerns with the Courthouse to the Board who provided direction.

The Board reviewed Resolution 2024-03 which is a Business Authorization Resolution to allow the Courthouse Maintenance Director to obtain a credit card. The Board would like to see her have a credit card for essential purchases with a \$1,000 credit limit. Beggs motioned to approve the Resolution and amount as presented. Watson seconded. MC 3-0.

The Board reviewed and approved Secured Benefits and claims to be paid.

The Board reviewed topics for discussion in future meetings. Watson motioned to adjourn the meeting. Beggs seconded. MC 3-0.

Ronald Fitzgerald, Chairman, Board of Supervisors

Corey Leftwich, Auditor