

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ATASCOSA

ON THIS THE 23<sup>RD</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024, THE COMMISSIONERS’

COURT OF ATASCOSA COUNTY, TEXAS MET IN REGULAR SESSION AT A

REGULAR TERM THEREOF, AT THE COURTHOUSE IN JOURDANTON, TEXAS

WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS BEING PRESENT AND IN ATTENDANCE

TO-WIT:

**WELDON CUDE**

**COUNTY JUDGE**

**MARK GILLESPIE**

**COMMISSIONER PCT. 1**

**MARK BOWEN**

**COMMISSIONER PCT. 2**

**ELISEO PEREZ**

**COMMISSIONER PCT. 3**

**KENNARD “BUBBA” RILEY**

**COMMISSIONER PCT. 4**

**THERESA CARRASCO**

**COUNTY CLERK & EX-  
OFFICIO CLERK,  
COMMISSIONERS COURT,  
ATASCOSA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**If after the commencement of the meeting covered by this Notice, the Commissioners Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., will be held by the Court. Purposes for a closed or executive meeting or session permitted by the Act include the following:**

- 551.071 Consultation with Attorney.
- 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property.
- 551.073 Deliberation regarding prospective gifts.
- 551.074 Personnel Matters.
- 551.076 Deliberation regarding security devices or security audits.
- 551.0785 Deliberation involving medical or psychiatric records of individuals.
- 551.084 Investigation; exclusion of witness from hearing.
- 551.087 Deliberation regarding economic development negotiation.
- 551.088 Deliberation regarding test item.

**ITEM 1 - JUDGE CUDE: CALL TO ORDER**

JUDGE CUDE CALLED THE ATASCOSA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2024, TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M. JUDGE CUDE ANNOUNCED THAT ALL COMMISSIONERS ARE PRESENT AND THERE IS A QUORUM.

**ITEM 2 - JUDGE CUDE: PRAYER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

COMMISSIONER BOWEN SAID A PRAYER AND THE COURT OPENED THE MEETING WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

**ITEM 3- PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

NONE

**ITEM 4 - ELIZABETH BRANSON: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**NEW EMPLOYEE: VIOLET CORONA**  
**POSITION: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
**PAY RATE: \$40,000.00 ANNUALLY**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 012-458-404**  
**START DATE: 09/23/2024**  
**PHYSICAL: COMPLETE**  
**DRUG TEST: COMPLETE**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

**ITEM 5 - AUDREY LOUIS: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**NEW EMPLOYEE: LAUREN MARTINEZ**  
**POSITION: TEMPORARY PART-TIME CLERK**  
**PAY RATE: \$20.00 PER HR.**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: D.A. RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANT**  
**SENATE BILL(SB)22: 141-400-406**  
**START DATE: SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**  
**PHYSICAL: PENDING**  
**DRUG TEST: PENDING**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

**ITEM 6 - MARTIN GONZALEZ: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ACCEPTING DONATION TO ATASCOSA COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION FROM MATTHEW WILLOUGHBY.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND LETTER

**ITEM 7 - MARTIN GONZALES: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF FOUND ARTIFACTS FROM MATTHEW WILLOUGHBY. APPROVE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE WITTE MUSEUM AND THE BOB BULLOCK TEXAS STATE HISTORY MUSEUM TO PROVIDE DONATED ARTIFACTS ON LOAN TO SAID INSTITUTIONS.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 8 - MARTIN GONZALES: RECOGNITION OF THE LOZANO CEMETERY RECEIVING HISTORICAL DESIGNATION FROM THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER

BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 9 - MARTIN GONZALES: RECOGNITION OF THE CAMPBELLTON CEMETERY RECEIVING HISTORICAL DESIGNATION FROM THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 10 - JUDGE VAUGHN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE HOTEL AND CONFERENCE EXPENSES FOR THE JP 2 JUDGE AND STAFF TO ATTEND THE 2024 EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR HOSTED BY THE TEXAS JUSTICE COURT JUDGES ASSOCIATION. THE PAYMENT, TOTALING \$1,137.10, WOULD BE MADE FROM THE TECHNOLOGY FUND 010-400-684.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 11 - CATHY SEITER: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE NOTICE OF ELECTION AND THEN PUBLISH IN THE OCTOBER 9TH EDITION OF THE PLEASANTON EXPRESS NEWSPAPER.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 12 - SHERIFF SOWARD: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**NEW EMPLOYEE: YANCY BAEZ**  
**POSITION: CORRECTIONS OFFICER**  
**PAY RATE: TIER 3: \$47,000.00 ANNUALLY, \$120.00 UNIFORM, \$150.00 HOLIDAY, 171 FLUCTUATING, 90-DAY COUNTY PROBATION, 1-YEAR AGENCY PROBATION**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 012-442-562**

**START DATE: 09/23/2024 9:00AM**  
**PHYSICAL: PENDING**  
**DRUG TEST: PENDING**

SHERIFF SOWARD STATED THAT THE PHYSICAL AND DRUG TEST ARE COMPLETE.  
MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER  
RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION

**NEW EMPLOYEE: ANDREW REICHENBACHER**  
**POSITION: MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN**  
**PAY RATE: TIER 2: \$50,000.00 ANNUALLY.**  
**40 HOURS; \$120.00 UNIFORM,**  
**90-DAY COUNTY PROBATION,**  
**1-YEAR AGENCY PROBATION**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 012-442-568**  
**START DATE: 10/01/2024**  
**PHYSICAL: PENDING**  
**DRUG TEST: PENDING**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY  
COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION

**NEW EMPLOYEE: MADELINE ROMO**  
**POSITION: CORRECTIONS OFFICER**  
**PAY RATE: TIER 3: \$47,000.00 ANNUAL,**  
**171 FLUCTUATING, \$120.00 UNIFORM, \$150.00 HOLIDAY,**  
**90-DAY COUNTY PROBATION, 1-YEAR AGENCY PROBATION**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 012-442-562**  
**START DATE: 09/23/2024 9:00 A.M.**  
**PHYSICAL: COMPLETE**  
**DRUG TEST: COMPLETE**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER  
RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION

**ITEM 13 - SHERIFF SOWARD: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION OF THE PURCHASE OF LEER COMMERCIAL WORK-TOP CAMPER SHELL. IN ACCORDANCE WITH ART. 59.06 (D) (4) (A) OF THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, SHERIFF DAVID SOWARD HEREBY REQUESTS APPROVAL TO PAY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LEER COMMERCIAL WORK-TOP CAMPER SHELL FOR NEW CID PICK-UP TRUCK FROM ALAMO CITY URESTI CAMPER SALES FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$4,633.24 FROM THE SHERIFF'S CHAPTER 59 FORFEITED FUNDS. COMMISSIONER'S COURT APPROVAL NEEDED DUE TO SHERIFF SOWARD NOT BEING ON THE BALLOT IN THE GENERAL ELECTION.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND QUOTE

**ITEM 14 - THERESA CARRASCO: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR JULY 2024.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 15 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION REQUEST FOR THE ESCOBAR FAMILY ON E GATES VALLEY DR. IN PRECINCT 1.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE

**ITEM 16 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE HUIZAR-GUERRERO ADDITION SUBDIVISION ON FM 1784 IN PRECINCT 1.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND PLAT

**ITEM 17 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION FOR THE VAN HECKE/DERAY FAMILY ON GRAY RD IN PRECINCT 2.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION

**ITEM 18 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE VARIANCE REQUEST FROM PROGRESSO HOMES LLC FOR THE REPLAT OF LOT 3 IN THE GRANBERG SUBDIVISION IN PRECINCT 2.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND ORDER APPROVING VARIANCE

**ITEM 19- BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION FOR THE MITCHELL/QUILES FAMILY ON HICKMAN RD IN PRECINCT 2.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION

**ITEM 20 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION FOR THE FINTO FAMILY ON WHITLEY RD IN PRECINCT 3.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION

**ITEM 21 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION FOR COLLEEN GARZA ON W FM 476 IN PRECINCT 3.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION

**ITEM 22 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL/DENIAL OF THE CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION FOR 500 ATASCOSA VENTURE LLC ON LEAL RD AND RALPH COUGHRAN RD IN PRECINCT 4.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND CERTIFICATE OF EXCEPTION

**ITEM 23 - BRITNI VAN CURAN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**EXISTING EMPLOYEE: VICTORIA DAVIS**  
**POSITION: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT**  
**PAY RATE: \$40,000 PER YEAR/\$19.23 PER HOUR**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 012-472-407**  
**START DATE: 10/01/24**  
**PHYSICAL: N/A**  
**DRUG TEST: N/A**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

**ITEM 24 - COMMISSIONER BOWEN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**NEW EMPLOYEE: JUAN ALVAREZ**  
**POSITION: ROAD & BRIDGE PCT. 2 WORKER**

**PAY RATE: \$45,031.99 ANNUALLY**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 022-400-402**  
**START DATE: 09/23/2024**  
**PHYSICAL: PENDING**  
**DRUG TEST: PENDING**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

**ITEM 25 - COMMISSIONER RILEY: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE A LAY FLAT WATER LINE FOR EOG, INC ON CR 413 TRAVELING NORTH ON EAST SIDE OF THE ROW FOR 1.34 MILES TO THE WILSON COUNTY LINE. A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 HAS BEEN TURNED INTO THE ATASCOSA COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND PERMIT

**ITEM 26 - COMMISSIONER RILEY: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING PERSONNEL:**

**EXISTING EMPLOYEE:**  
**TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE: JUAN BENITES**  
**TRANSFER FROM PCT. 2 TO PCT. 4**  
**POSITION: FOREMAN**  
**PAY RATE: \$57,000.00 ANNUALLY**  
**SALARY BUDGET AREA: 024-400-402**  
**START DATE: 09/23/2024**  
**PHYSICAL: N/A**  
**DRUG TEST: N/A**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER PERSONNEL ACTION

**ITEM 27 - COMMISSIONER RILEY: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE A ROAD BORE PERMIT FOR PILLAR EFS, LLC AT**

**BLACKHILL RD AND CR 103. A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00 HAS BEEN TURNED INTO THE ATASCOSA COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER RILEY AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND PERMIT

**ITEM 28 - TRACY BARRERA: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENT OF PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION FUNDS AS AUTHORIZED BY ART. 102.0121 OF THE TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AND APPROVAL OF A CHECK TO BE WRITTEN FROM THE PRE-TRIAL MISCELLANEOUS FUND LINE ITEM 053-400-625, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,500.00 FOR FY 2025 1ST QUARTER PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO ATASCOSA BY THE CSCD, AS SPECIFIED IN THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT. PAYMENT WILL BE RELEASED AFTER TRENT ROWELL OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED IT.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND INVOICE

**ITEM 29- TRENT ROWELL:**

- A. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING ON CREATION OF THE PROPOSED ATASCOSA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2, PURSUANT TO HEALTH & SAFETY CODE 775.015 AND PLACING ON THE BALLOT FOR THE FIRST AVAILABLE UNIFORM ELECTION DATE, A MEASURE FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE CREATION OF THE ATASCOSA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 AND AUTHORIZATION TO IMPOSE A TAX NOT TO EXCEED THE RATE ALLOWED BY SECTION 48-E, ARTICLE III, TEXAS CONSTITUTION.**

AGENDA ITEM SHOULD BE CORRECTED TO READ AS DISTRICT NO. 2.

MR. ROWELL STATED THAT A PETITION HAS BEEN FILED ON AUGUST 7, 2024, WHICH DID NOT GET FILED IN TIME IN ORDER TO MAKE THE DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER ELECTION, HOWEVER THERE IS A REQUIREMENT TO HAVE A HEARING AFTER THE PETITION IS FILED AND THIS IS THE PURPOSE FOR THE

PUBLIC HEARING.

**1. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

JUDGE CUDE DECLARED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 9:26 A.M.

**2. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

JUDGE CUDE DECLARED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE CLOSED AT 9:27A.M.

**B. DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON PLACING ON THE BALLOT FOR THE FIRST AVAILABLE UNIFORM ELECTION DATE IN 2025, A MEASURE FOR APPROVAL OF THE CREATION OF THE ATASCOSA COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 2 AND AUTHORIZATION TO IMPOSE A TAX NOT TO EXCEED THE RATE ALLOWED BY SECTION 48-E, ARTICLE III, TEXAS CONSTITUTION, AND EXECUTING AN ORDER REFLECTING SAME.**

MR. ROWELL STATED THAT IF THE COURT BELIEVES THAT THE DISTRICT IS FEASIBLE AND WILL PROMOTE PUBLIC SAFETY HEALTH WELFARE AND CONVENIENCE, THEN IT SHALL GRANT THE PETITION AND FIX THE BOUNDARIES THAT ARE IN THE PETITION WHICH HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE NEWSPAPER AND ALSO PUBLISHED ON OUR WEBSITE.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND ORDER FOR ELECTION

**ITEM 30 - JUDGE CUDE: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE:**

**A. CHANGES TO THE SICK LEAVE CAP POLICY AND UPDATE IN THE ATASCOSA COUNTY PERSONNEL MANUAL.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

**B. CHANGES TO THE COMP-TIME POLICY AND UPDATE IN THE ATASCOSA COUNTY PERSONNEL MANUAL.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

**C. THE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AND INVENTIVE PROGRAM.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND POLICY UPDATES

**ITEM 31 - JUDGE CUDE AND COMMISSIONER BOWEN: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE "ARCHITECTURE LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT" FROM RDG ARCHITECTURE & DEVELOPMENT FOR THE ATASCOSA COUNTY/ LYTLE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE TO FINISH OUT.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND ARCHITECTURAL LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT

**ITEM 32 - JUDGE CUDE: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE A \$500.00 MONTHLY PAY STIPEND FOR JESSICA GODINEZ FOR PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO THE ATASCOSA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FROM SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER 2024.**

COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE ASKED IF THIS WAS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND IS IT OWNED BY ATASCOSA COUNTY? MR. JOE EUSTACE, DIRECTOR OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION, STATED THAT THEY ARE A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND THEY ARE NOT OWNED BY ATASCOSA COUNTY.

COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE ASKED IF THE COUNTY COULD PAY A STAFF MEMBER FROM COUNTY GOVERNMENT FUNDING TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

MR. ROWELL STATED THAT THE COUNTY IS PAYING HER AS A COUNTY LIAISON TO THE ORGANIZATION.

JUDGE CUDE STATED THAT THE COUNTY DOES NOT PAY ANYTHING RETROACTIVE SO THIS STIPEND WOULD BE FOR OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

LAURA PAWELEK, COUNTY TREASURER, ASKED WHICH FUND WOULD THIS STIPEND WOULD BE TAKEN OUT OF.

JUDGE CUDE ASKED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS TO APPROVE THIS REQUEST AND THEY WILL COME BACK AND SET THE FUND AT THE NEXT MEETING.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY. APPROVED FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

**VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 33 - JUDGE CUDE: DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH DRG ARCHITECTS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE JAIL ADDITION. THE AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE PENDING REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.**

SHERIFF SOWARD STATED THAT THESE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES ARE FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND NOT THE JAIL.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOWEN. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST AND AGREEMENT

**ITEM 34 - JUDGE CUDE: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING THE BOND FOR ATASCOSA COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY

COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 35 - DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING BOND FOR THE ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER AGENDA REQUEST

**ITEM 36 - EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

JUDGE CUDE CALLED FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:37 AM.

**THE REGULAR SESSION OF ATASCOSA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT WILL NOW RECESS IN ORDER TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION ACCORDING TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 AND 551.074 TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND OTHER MATTERS WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.**

**ITEM 37 - OPEN SESSION:**

JUDGE CUDE RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2024, AT 10:23 A.M.

**ITEM 38 - JUDGE CUDE: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION CONCERNING ITEM(S) DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

NO ACTION TAKEN

**ITEM 39 - JUDGE CUDE AND TRACY BARRERA: DISCUSS, REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO ACCEPT AND/OR APPROVE ANY INVOICES AND PAYROLL.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER PEREZ AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER RILEY TO APPROVE ALL INVOICES AND PAYROLL. **VOTED 4-0 CARRIED.**

- ENTER ALL INVOICES AND PAYROLL

**ITEM 40 - JUDGE CUDE AND TRACY BARRERA: DISCUSS, REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION ON REPORTS SUBMITTED.**

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE AND SECONDED BY  
COMMISSIONER PEREZ. APPROVED AS PRESENTED. **VOTED** 4-0 CARRIED.

- ENTER ALL REPORTS

**ITEM 41 - COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS COURT (NO ACTION CAN BE TAKEN). THE NEXT COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETING IS SET FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2024.**

COMMISSIONER GILLESPIE ANNOUNCED THAT ON THURSDAY NIGHT, AT 7:00 P.M., THERE WILL BE A GATHERING AT THE VERDI COMMUNITY CENTER WHICH WILL INCLUDE SOME ELECTED OFFICIALS, MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND OTHERS FROM THE AREA. THE PURPOSE OF THE GATHERING IS JUST TO STAY INFORMED OF THE HAPPENINGS IN THE SURROUNDING AREA.

JUDGE CUDE REMINDED EVERYONE OF THE ELECTION IS COMING UP IN 42 DAYS AND ALSO, THAT THE STATE OF THE COUNTY WILL BE ON OCTOBER 24, 2024 @ 5:30 P.M.

**ITEM 42 - JUDGE CUDE: ADJOURN.**

**THERESA CARRASCO, COUNTY CLERK  
& EX-OFFICIO CLERK,  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
ATASCOSA COUNTY, TEXAS**

**WELDON P. CUDE, COUNTY JUDGE  
ATASCOSA COUNTY, TEXAS**