



JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Christopher Boedeker
County Judge

Rick Bailey
Commissioner
Precinct 1

Kenny Howell
Commissioner
Precinct 2

Mike White
Commissioner
Precinct 3

Larry Woolley
Commissioner
Precinct 4

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF
THE JOHNSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE, RM. 201
2 N. MAIN ST. CLEBURNE, TEXAS 76033
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023 - 9:00 AM**

CALL TO ORDER

BE IT KNOWN that on the 20th day of November 2023, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Johnson County, Texas, met in Special Session at the Johnson County Courthouse thereof, in the City of Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. with all members present. The following items, having been lawfully posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on November 16, 2023, at 2:44 P.M., were considered:

ACTION

- A1.** Consider and Approve Minutes of the Commissioners Court for November 13, 2023

MOTION by Comm. White, seconded by Comm. Bailey, to approve as presented.

Comm. Bailey	aye
Comm. Howell	aye
Comm. White	aye
Judge Boedeker	aye
Comm. Woolley	abstained

Motion carried.

Comm. Woolley stated that he abstained since he was not present last week.

Judge Boedeker stated, for the record, that Comm. Woolley abstained, the vote passed 4 to 0, and that all Members of the Commissioners Court were present today.

A2. Consideration to Canvass the November 7, 2023 Constitutional Amendment Election for Johnson County, Texas-Elections Office

Elections Administrator Patty Bourgeois presented. Mrs. Bourgeois said that there was a total of 18,763 votes cast.

Comm. Bailey asked if it was more than the last Constitutional Amendment Election.

Comm. Woolley and Mrs. Bourgeois agreed it was more.

Comm. Bailey stated that there was a lot on there, including the property tax.

Judge Boedeker commented that he got a few documents in the mail telling him to go vote for property tax relief. He then asked Mrs. Bourgeois if there was anything else they needed to know about the election before they canvass those votes.

Mrs. Bourgeois said that everything went well.

Comm. Woolley thanked Patty Bourgeois and stated that he talked to Robin Wilson, the Republican Party Chair about some safety concerns at his location during that voting. He emailed the Judge and Patty and requested that we reconsider our location for future voting, especially on Election Day. He said that there are only two acres total there and that it's covered by buildings, equipment, and employee parking. He added that when you throw that many of the voting public in there, in and out of a single gate, it creates some very valid safety concerns with it also being on HWY 4. He said that they found an alternative location for Election Day, and he appreciates that. He explained how this was just for the Constitutional Election and that the next election would be much larger.

Comm. Bailey sympathized and said that his old facility did not have the room either. He asked if it would impact early voting or just Election Day.

Comm. Woolley said that he would continue to host the early voting and he would continue to reevaluate that.

Comm. Bailey stated that people were showing up at his precinct because they had to go to another page on the website, to see where to go vote.

Comm. Woolley stated how he wished the state would change the voting box terminology on the voter cards.

Comm. Howell agreed that this has been brought up several times.

Comm. Bailey asked Mrs. Bourgeois about the staffing at elections.

Mrs. Bourgeois replied that she would increase the number of workers in the primary.

MOTION by Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, to approve as presented.

All voted aye; motion carried.

- A3.** Consider and Approve Owner's Contingency Usage for the 911 Call Center in the Amount of \$162,117.45 to Update Emergency Power Requirements to a 150kw Generator in Lieu of the 15kw Generator, Including Plumbing, Concrete, and Electrical, Revise Power Outlets for Dispatch in all Areas Needed for Additional Power, and Revise UPS to Accommodate all the Needs for the System, with Authorization for County Judge to Sign-Facilities Management

Facilities Management Director Joshua Green presented. He also brought the architect on the project, Robert Durham, to answer any questions the Court may have. He stated that the 150kW generator is already budgeted and it would come out more inexpensive if it is powered by the emergency standby power.

Comm. Bailey stated that unlike the Guinn or the Adult Probation, the Emergency Management already has its own system so we aren't having to share.

Comm. Woolley commented that the 15kW is not a very big generator. He thought it was an oversight or misprint because that's a pretty small generator.

Mr. Green agreed and said that it was a miscommunication between the engineer and different things. He explained how it was going to power the consoles, but since it would have required a lot of battery backups, it just wasn't feasible.

Comm. Bailey asked if the 15kW generator had already been purchased.

Mr. Green stated that it had already been purchased but it would be refunded.

Comm. Woolley asked about the wait time for the new generator.

Mr. Green stated that he wasn't sure, and asked Mr. Durham if he knew the exact wait time.

Robert Durham came up to the podium and stated that the wait time could be potentially up to 6 months, but the contractor anticipates 2 to 3 months. He explained that the problem is the transfer switch, not the emergency power generator itself. He said that there needs to be some kind of workaround. He added that the building is to be turned over to the owner on March 1st 2024, so to get beneficial occupancy you will need this emergency power. He said that there is a bit of an unknown here, but that Mr. Green has a workaround in the meantime.

Comm. Woolley asked Mr. Green about the workaround.

Mr. Green answered that there are different transfer switches available and he has reached out to Walker Engineering. He assured the Court that the building would not be occupied without full emergency power. He said that he could bring an update on the timeframe to the next Court.

Comm. Howell asked if the workaround Mr. Green had in mind would be manual, and if would it be a person flipping a switch.

Mr. Green replied that it would be manual, like flipping a switchgear or breaker to convert the power.

MOTION by Comm. Howell, seconded by Comm. White, to approve the change order to buy the bigger generator.

All voted aye; motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commissioners Court convened into Closed Executive Session at 9:14 A.M. to discuss ES1.

- ES1.** Government Code: *Sec. 551.072* – Deliberation About Real Property, Lot 1R1, Blk 2, Marti-Bentley Subdivision, 411 Marti Drive, Cleburne, Texas 76033
- ES2.** Reconvene into Open Session for Potential Action Resulting from Executive Session

The Commissioners Court reconvened into Open Session at 9:55 A.M. to take action on ES1.

- ES1.** Government Code: *Sec. 551.072* – Deliberation About Real Property, Lot 1R1, Blk 2, Marti-Bentley Subdivision, 411 Marti Drive, Cleburne, Texas 76033

MOTION by Comm. Woolley, seconded by Comm. Bailey, in reference to our real property potential purchase of property located at 411 Marti Drive in Cleburne move to accept a price adjustment from the seller TotalEnergies E&P Barnett USA LLC in the amount of \$21,930.00 due to the necessity of a relocation of a water line.

All voted aye; motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the Commissioners Court adjourned at 9:56 A.M.

Approved by:



Christopher Boedeker, County Judge

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF JOHNSON §

I, April Long, Johnson County Clerk, attest that the foregoing is a true and accurate accounting of the Commissioners Court's authorized proceedings for November 20, 2023.



FILED & RECORDED
December 11, 2023
Commissioner Court Minutes



April Long, County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Johnson County, Texas