

THE PRATT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET IN REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, JULY 26, 2021 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER ROOM, 1ST FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT: RICK N. SHRIVER, DWIGHT ADAMS, THOMAS W. JONES III, TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, SHERRY WENRICH, REGISTER OF DEEDS AND MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR. ALSO PRESENT, MICHEAL BLACKFORD, PRATT TRIBUNE.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REMINDED EVERYONE THE MEETING IS BEING STREAMED OVER ZOOM AND TO PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME WHEN SPEAKING; MARK GRABER, IT DIRECTOR, WILL WATCH FOR ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC.

DOUG FREUND, ROAD DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR, PRESENTED A NEW HIRE. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO HIRE ETHAN AILSTOCK @ \$13.50/HR. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. DOUG FREUND ALSO PRESENTED A BID FOR A ROAD GRADER FROM FOLEY EQUIPMENT. COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE A CAT ROAD GRADER AS PER QUOTE FOR \$321,068.90 LESS THE \$40,000.00 TRADE-IN WITH A FINAL COST OF \$281,068.90.

DARCIE VANDERVYVER, HEALTH DIRECTOR, GAVE THE COVID UPDATE. THERE HAS BEEN AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER BEING VACINATED. SHE ALSO REPORTED THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY 10 ACTIVE CASES OF COVID. THE DEPARTMENT IS NOW BEING REIMBURSED BY THE STATE FOR THE TESTING. DARCI VANDERVYVER IS ALSO APPLYING FOR AN IEP GRANT AVAILABLE FOR \$63,000.00. THIS WOULD BE USED FOR DIGITAL SIGNS. THE \$50,000.00 ELC GRANT IS ALSO BEING FINISHED UP. DISCUSSION WAS HAD ON THE PRRC BUILDING TO HAVE A WALK THROUGH AND SEE THE CONDITION IT IS IN FOR THE POSSIBLE USE AS A DAYCARE FACILITY.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 19, 2021. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SIGNED THE CHECK FOR \$3,491.25 TO LANDMARK ARCHITECTS.

TYSON EISENHAUER, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REPORTED THAT HE WILL REVIEW THE RENT REDUCTION PLAN WITH AMERICAN TOWER FOR THE CELL PHONE TOWER BY THE LANDFILL. THIS WOULD TAKE EFFECT JUNE 1, 2022.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER STATED THAT HE ATTENDED A MEETING ON JULY 21, 2021 ON THE NEW BUILDING AND REPORTED THE PROGRESS BEING MADE. HE STATED THAT THE LEC BUILDING DOORS AND WINDOWS ARE BEING INSTALLED.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER ENTERTAINED DISCUSSION ABOUT THE 2022 BUDGET AND HOW TO ADDRESS CUTTING COSTS.

BILLY HAMPTON, PRATT COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE, REPORTED THAT THE REPAIRS TO RESCUE ONE ARE COMPLETE AND PRESENTED THE BILL. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO PAY MAIN STREET AUTO \$5594.67 FOR THE REPAIRS. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

SCOTT HARRIS, EMS DIRECTOR, REPORTED THAT THE FIRE HOUSE SUBS GRANT HAD BEEN AWARDED TO PRATT COUNTY. HE ALSO REQUESTED THAT IF THERE WILL AVAILABLE COVID FUNDS FOR THE COMING YEAR THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO GET TWO LUCAS DEVICES THAT WILL ENABLE LESS CONTACT WHILE PREFORMING CPR. THESE MACHINES WOULD COST AROUND \$15,000.00 A PIECE. SCOTT HARRIS ALSO PRESENTED A NEW PART-TIME HIRE. COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO HIRE GARY SMITH PART-TIME @ \$13.50/HR. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:00 PM FOR 15 MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:07 PM. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO TERMINATE SCOTT HARRIS AS EMS DIRECTOR. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER SHRIVER MADE A MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR 5 MINUTES AT 3:08 PM ON AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH NOTHING TO REPORT AT 3:10 PM AND COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO TAKE A 5 MINUTE RECESS AT 3:20 PM. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM RECESS AT 3:25 PM. COMMISSIONER SHRIVER SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

TYSON EISENHauer, COUNTY COUNSELOR, REPORTED THAT THE HOSPITAL BONDS RECEIVED ANOTHER A- - RATING.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:27 PM FOR 10 MINUTES ON, AN ATTORNEY/CLIENT MATTER. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 3:35 PM WITH NOTHING TO REPORT. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT VOUCHERS FOR JULY 26, 2021. COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:17 PM FOR 10 MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:27 PM. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:28 PM FOR 15 MINUTES TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 4:35 PM. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. COMMISSIONER ADAMS MADE A MOTION TO HIRE BRIAN ATTEBERRY AS INTERIM EMS DIRECTOR. COMMISSIONER JONES SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

COMMISSIONER JONES MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 4:36 PM COMMISSIONER ADAMS SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:36 PM.

