

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COMMISSIONER'S COURT – SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

COUNTY OF BRISCOE

On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021, the Commissioner's Court of Briscoe County, Texas convened in Regular Session at the County Courtroom, at the Courthouse in Silverton, Texas, with the following members of the Court present to wit:

WAYNE NANCE, Judge,  
KEN WOOD, Commissioner Precinct #1,  
JACK WELLMAN, Commissioner Precinct #2,  
DANNY FRANCIS, Commissioner Precinct #3, and  
JOHN BURSON, Commissioner, Precinct #4

BENA HESTER, Clerk

with the following absent: NONE

Other officials present: Mary Jo Brannon, Chris Spence, Emily Teegardin, Jon Etta Ziegler and Dan Meyer

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Judge Wayne Nance for a Public Hearing to discuss the proposed 2021-2022 Elected Officials salaries, tax rate and budget. No one from the Public was in attendance.

**9:05 A.M.**

Meeting was called to order by Judge Wayne Nance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to adopt the 2021-2022 Elected Officials Salaries. Second by Commissioner Burson. Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to adjourn, second by Commissioner Francis.

Discussion was had about the 2021-2022 tax rate. Chief Appraiser, Theresa Clinton was asked to provide some clarification to the proposed rate.

**9:49 A.M.**

Regular meeting was called to order by Judge Wayne Nance.

**Open Forum:** Commissioner Wellman stated that he had read that Commissioner's could possibly obtain CEU's by virtual means. This will be looked into prior to the next meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the Silverton Senior Citizens request for \$6,500 from the American Rescue Funds to purchase a Heating and Cooling system for the Senior Citizens center. Second by Commissioner Wood and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to transfer the title of the 2008 Durango from the Sheriff's Department to Precinct #1. Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wood to allow Dan Meyer, Justice of the Peace, Prec. #2 to purchase Quickbooks Pro for use in his office. Cost of \$399.99 will come out of his Office Supply budget. Second by Commissioner Burson and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to appoint the Election Judges and Alternates for a 2(Two) year term beginning on September 1, 2021. Second by Commissioner Wood and passed with a 4-0 vote it is so ordered.

Jon Etta Ziegler, Tax Assessor Collector informed the court that she had hired Julie Gamble as her deputy due to the resignation of Ashley Knight. Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to approve the bond for Julie Gamble. Second by Commissioner Wellman and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to cast 715 votes to Dan Meyer and 715 votes to Phil Barefield to serve on the Appraisal District Board of Directors. Second by Commissioner Wood and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the 2020-2021 budget amendments (See exhibits). Second by Commissioner Wellman and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to approve the following work order(s). Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote it is so ordered.

Hunter and Tammy Penn – Precinct #4  
Fannie Shannon – Precinct #2  
Harvey Case – Precinct #2

Jim Saul (2) contracts – Precinct #2  
Kirk Saul – Precinct #2

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to accept the following monthly reports. Second by Commissioner Wellman and passed with a 5-0 vote it is so ordered.

Mary Jo Brannon, Treasurer  
G. J. Walton, J. P. #1  
Dan Meyer, J. P. #2  
Bena Hester, Clerk

Jon Etta Ziegler, Tax A/C  
Garrett Davis, Sheriff  
Theresa Clinton, Appraiser  
Mason Carter, CEA-Ag

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to accept the Treasurer Office Holder Report for August 2021. Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

**TREASURER'S OFFICE HOLDER REPORT**

BRISCOE COUNTY

September 1, 2021

Tax Assessor-Collector	\$10,997.63
County & District Clerk	\$2,548.75
Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1	\$2,174.00
Justice of the Peace, Prec. 2	\$4,357.85
Sheriff	\$150.00
Precinct 4	\$100.00

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Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Mary Jo Brannon, County Treasurer of Briscoe County, who being by me duly sworn, upon oath, says that the within and foregoing report is true and correct.

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Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County  
Treasurer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 1st day of September, 2021.

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Bena Hester, Briscoe County Clerk

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to sign the Commissioner's Court Affidavit for August 2021. Second by Commissioner Burson and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT AFFIDAVIT**

In compliance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County on this date has compared and examined the Monthly Report of Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County Treasurer. Every account is reported as required by Section 114.026 Local Government Code and the Commissioners' inspection was made in accordance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code.

**MONTHLY REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021**

FUND	BALANCE	RECEIPTS	DISBURSED	END BALANCE
Gen Fund	\$1,956,077.39	\$ 14,059.10	\$ 86,844.36	\$ 1,883,292.13
Jury Fund	\$ 57,812.43	\$ 99.93	\$ -	\$ 57,912.36
Prect 1	\$ 202,826.81	\$ 2,896.46	\$ 18,229.26	\$ 187,494.01
Prect 2	\$ 127,717.58	\$ 3,128.19	\$ 18,443.78	\$ 112,401.99
Prect 3	\$ 80,353.04	\$ 2,896.46	\$ 13,682.17	\$ 69,567.33
Prect 4	\$ 83,370.66	\$ 2,764.74	\$ 8,159.53	\$ 77,975.87
*Other Funds	\$ 158,315.63	\$ 9,634.20	\$ 8,767.69	\$ 159,182.14
Total	\$2,666,473.54	\$ 35,479.08	\$ 154,126.79	\$ 2,547,825.83

\*Balances of Other Funds that have stipulations by law as how they may be spent, and may not be included in other fund's balances.

In this regular session of Commissioners' Court of Briscoe County, the requirements of Section 114.026 Subsection C of the Local Government Code have been met and \$2,547,825.83 remains in the custody of Mary Jo Brannon, Briscoe County Treasurer.

Approved in open court this the 13th day of September 2021.

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Wayne Nance, County Judge

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Ken Wood, Commissioner Precinct 1

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Danny Francis, Commissioner Precinct 3

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Jack Wellman, Commissioner  
Precinct 2

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John Burson, Commissioner Precinct  
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Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to pay the monthly invoices as presented. Second by Commissioner Wellman and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to pay Jack's Automotive \$375.05 and \$717.30. Second by Commissioner Wood. Voting For: Commissioners Wood, Burson and Francis and Judge Nance. Abstaining: Commissioner Wellman. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis to pay the salaries and line items. Second by Commissioner Wellman and passed with a 5-0 vote it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered. Adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

### **10:57 A.M.**

Meeting was called to order by Judge Wayne Nance for the purpose of a Public Hearing to discuss the County and District Clerk's Archive Plan. No one from the public was present.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to approve the County and District Clerk's 2021-2022 Archive Plan. Second by Commissioner Wood and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Chief Appraiser, Theresa Clinton provided the court with additional information on the tax rate.

### **11:53 A.M.**

Meeting was called to order by Judge Wayne Nance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Francis that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of .5588, which is effectively a 3.49 percent increase in the tax rate. Second by Commissioner Burson and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered.

**11:55 A.M.**

Meeting was called to order by Judge Wayne Nance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wellman to Adopt the 2021-2022 Budget as presented with a notation that Quitaque and Silverton Fire Departments will be allowed to request additional funding if their funds are depleted from expenses associated with actual firefighting. Second by Commissioner Burson. Voting For: Commissioners Wellman, Francis and Burson and Judge Nance. Voting Against: Commissioner Wood. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Burson to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Francis and passed with a 5-0 vote, it is so ordered. Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

/s/ Bena Hester  
County Clerk, Briscoe County, Texas