

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ANGELINA**

Commissioners Court met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. at the Angelina County Courthouse Annex, Commissioners Courtroom, 606 East Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, Texas with the following members present:

Keith Wright	County Judge
Kent Walker	Commissioner Precinct #1
Kermit Kennedy	Commissioner Precinct #2
Terry Pitts	Commissioner Precinct #3
Kenneth Jeffrey	Commissioner Precinct #4

1. Judge Wright called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M. with all members present.
2. Opening prayer by Rev. W.R. Ricks, First Missionary Baptist Church, Lufkin, Tx.
3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Flag of the State of Texas.
4. Public Forum: Mark Hicks, Lufkin Mayor, spoke in support of item #25.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

5. Consider approval of the minutes of May 14, 2024, Regular Session of Commissioners Court Meeting;
6. Discussion/action on Budget transfer for Road & Bridge;

Transfer from:	Hard Top Roads	#035-135-4803	\$50,000.00
Transfer to:	Culverts	#035-135-4802	\$50,000.00

\*Due to unanticipated, necessary culvert replacement in the Road improvement process

7. Discussion/action on Budget transfer for County Park;

Transfer from:	Park Maintenance	#022-122-4317	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer to:	Supplies	#022-122-4613	\$ 1,000.00

\*Due to higher-than-expected janitorial supply cost

8. Discussion/action on Budget transfer for Angelina County Airport;

Transfer from:	Airport repairs	#083-183-4301	\$ 7,000.00
Transfer to:	R&M Equipment	#083-183-4408	\$ 7,000.00

\*Used for fuel tank filters and repairs

9. Consider approval of any departmental reports and routine items;

10. Discussion/action on approval and authorization for payment of the bills as submitted by the County Auditor;

Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

## **BUSINESS AGENDA**

11. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve Companion Life for the administration and Stop-Loss carrier for the County Benefit Plan. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

12. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the recommendation from the Insurance Committee to renew the Basic Life/AD&D, Voluntary Life, Dental and Vision Insurance with Principal as follows:

Basic Life premium paid for by the County will increase \$999.96;  
Voluntary Life premium paid for by the employee will not change;  
Dental premium Low Plan and High Plan option will increase 5.1%, the County pays \$16.30 toward the employee's dental coverage;  
Vision premium paid for by the employee will not change.

Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

13. Kermit Kennedy made a motion to approve the renewal of the Liability Insurance Policy for the Angelina County Airport, expiring June 3, 2024. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

14. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve an Oncor Electric Easement along State Hwy 94 in Angelina County near Tract 25. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

15. Kent Walker made a motion to approve the final plat of Four Corners Hwy 103 Subdivision No. 1 in Precinct #1. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

16. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the final plat of Renfro US 69 Subdivision-Lot 1 Revised in Precinct #3. Kent Walker seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

17. Tom Selman discussed setting a speed limit for the Old Diboll Highway from Lufkin City Limits to Diboll City Limits. No action taken at this time.

18. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to approve the Treasurer Monthly Report Month Ended April 2024. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

Kent Walker made a motion to approve items #19, #20 and #21:

19. Discussion/action on approving the contract between Angelina County Expo Center and Angelina Foundation Dinner @ Diamond;

20. Discussion/action on approving the contract between Angelina County Expo Center and The Brahman Cattle Show (ABBA);

21. Discussion/action on approving the contract between Angelina County Expo Center and Pineywoods Futurity;

Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

22. Kenneth Jeffrey made a motion to authorize the Exposition Center Manager to execute Exposition Rental Agreements which utilize the Court approved rental form and rates. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

23. Terry Pitts made a motion to approve the position of Expo Manager, with a salary up to \$75,000.00. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.

Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey

Voted Against: (None)

Motion carried.

24. Kent Walker made a motion to accept a donation from the non-profit Expo Board to increase the position of Lead Maintenance at the Exposition Center to \$18 an hour until the end of 2024. Terry Pitts seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
25. Judge Wright made a motion to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Lufkin and Angelina County as presented by the County Attorney, related to the removal of the old County Jail and constructing a public parking lot. The proposition died for a lack of a second.
26. Terry Pitts made a motion to allow Road & Bridge to purchase a 2008 Ford F450 4WD from the Landfill in the amount of \$5,000.00. Kermit Kennedy seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
27. Executive Session
28. The Court entered into Executive Session at 10:58 A.M.
29. The Court returned to Open Session at 11:20 A.M. Judge Wright made a motion to allow the County Insurance Company to settle in the alleged wrongful termination lawsuit by the former road engineer, related to Carl Douglas Crawford v. Angelina County; Case No. CV-00809-22-12; in the 159<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Angelina County, Texas. Kent Walker seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.
30. Judge Wright made a motion to adjourn at 11:22 A.M. Kenneth Jeffrey seconded the motion.  
Voted For: Kent Walker, Kermit Kennedy, Terry Pitts and Kenneth Jeffrey  
Voted Against: (None)  
Motion carried.

I, Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk, do hereby attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court Minutes for May 28, 2024 on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.



*Amy Fincher*  
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Amy Fincher, Angelina County Clerk