

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2021 1:30 ANNEX BUILDING**

ATTENDANCE: Chairman Justice Michael White; Justice Molly Jackson; Justice Harbans Mangat; Justice Neil Burge; Justice Rick Ash; Justice Cecil McDonald; Justice Betty Hepler; Justice Tobye McClanahan; Treasurer Peggy Meatte; Finance Kelli Jones; Collector Susan Short; County Clerk Janice Currie; Public Affairs Tom Henry; NEA Town Courier Marcus McClain.

1. Meeting was called to order by Justice Michael White. Quorum Court moved to November 30, 2021. 7:00 p.m. Burdette Courthouse. Monthly expenditures tracked on budget. Courthouse construction projects nearing completion. Aaron Ruby in Osceola Tuesday for final punch for Osceola project. Flooding in basement would be addressed. Final payment would be approved for payment to Renaissance Roofing. Meeting with CNI at 1:00. Money left from courthouse renovation would be used in Osceola. \$2.5 million had been spent on the Osceola courthouse project. Contingency and undesignated funds left. \$125,000.00 for move back to the courthouse.

2. Landfill tipping fees. Tipping fees were to be raised \$2.00. Ordinance to go to Quorum Court. Landfill had one of the worst months. Expenditures were \$550,000.00. Several accounts had not paid. Needed to be squared away before the end of the year. Balance now \$901,000.00. Notice was sent to the vendors about the raise in tipping fees.

3. Energy & Property. Committee recommended to appropriate \$3,000.00 for farm land survey.

4. 2022 budget voted on in November meeting. Contract line added in Sheriff's budget for \$2,500.00. Justice White met with the Senior Citizens Center. \$6,000.00 was taken out expenses. Revenues increased \$43,000.00. Judge Nelson was to talk to the mayors about a share program. Within \$19,000.00 of a balanced budget. Economic Development. Justice White sent information. 5% increase for raises. \$15,500.00. Judge Catherine Dean sent the District Court budget. Net reduction \$2,205.36. Referred to collections of old fines and costs in Osceola by 88.22%. Jacob Holmes was working on fine collections. Insurance open enrollment forms were sent out. Six new vehicles in Sheriff's budget.

5. County Collector. Collector Susan Short stated Hannah was balancing collections with the Treasurers collections. Was waiting on the newspaper list and how much the cost was.

6. GREDA requested a Planning & Development meeting. Monday, November 22nd at 1:00. Annex building. GREDA working on a new approach on Economic Development incentives.

7. Energy & Property Nov. 16, 2021 2:30. Annex building. No Finance Nov. 22, 2021.

78. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Cindy George