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#### NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court will be held on the 15th day of March, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Hockley County Courthouse, Levelland, Texas, at which time the following subjects will be discussed to-wit:

- Read for approval the minutes of the Regular Meeting held at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 1, 2021.
- Read for approval all monthly bills and claims submitted to the Court and dated through March 15, 2021.
- 3. Consider and take necessary action to review and approve the 2020 Racial Profiling Report submitted by the Hockley County Sheriff's Office.
- Consider and take necessary action to approve ABC Pro Rodeo Proclamation.
- 5. Review of the February 2021 fire runs as submitted by the City of Levelland.
- 6. Consider and take necessary action in support of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension that the Hockley County Commissioners' Court has budgeted toward salary for the County Extension Agent-Family & Community Health.
- 7. Consider and take necessary action to approve Ad Valorem tax refunds.
- 8. Consider and take necessary action to Nunc Pro Tunc item 5 of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court dated November 2, 2020 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve the trade-in of a 2016 John Deere 770G Motor Grader and to purchase a 2021 John Deere 770G Motor Grader through Sourcewell for use in Precinct 2.
- 9. Consider and take necessary action to Nunc Pro Tunc item 6 of the minutes from the Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court dated November 9, 2020 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve the trade-in of a 2016 John Deere 770G Motor Grader and to purchase a 2021 John Deere 770G Motor Grader through Sourcewell for use in Precinct 3.
- 10. Consider and take necessary action to Nunc Pro Tunc item 8 of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court dated March 1, 2021 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve a road crossing for Lyntegar Electric on Alamo Road in Precinct 2.
- 11. Consider and take necessary action to approve the Plat for Tract "A", DG Commercial an Addition to the County of Hockley, Texas in Precinct 4.

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12. Discussion and potential action concerning issuance of a Burn Ban in Hockley County	O'CLOCK	_M

COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HOCKLEY COUNTY, TEXAS. MAR 1 1 2021 Sharla Baldridge, Hockley County Judge County Clerk, Hockley County, Texas

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the above named Commissioners' Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse

Court, is a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board at the Courthouse, and at the east door of the Courthouse of Hockley County, Texas, as place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 11th day of March, 2021, and said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceedings beduled time of said meeting.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2021.

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Hockley County, Texas

# THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOCKLEY

# IN THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT OF HOCKEY COUNTY, TEXAS

#### REGULAR MEETING

#### MARCH 15, 2021

Be it remembered that on this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH A.D. 2021, there came on to be held a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court, and the court having convened in Regular session at the usual meeting place thereof at the Courthouse in Levelland, Texas, with the following members present to-wit:

Sharla Baldridge County Judge

Alan Wisdom Commissioner Precinct No. 1

Larry Carter Commissioner Precinct No. 2

Seth Graf Commissioner Precinct No. 3

Thomas R "Tommy" Clevenger Commissioner Precinct No. 4

Jennifer Palermo, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court when the following proceedings were had to-wit:

Motion by Judge Baldridge, second by Commissioner Carter, 5 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that the Minutes of a Regular meeting of the Commissioner's Court, held on March 1, 2021, A.D. be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Graf, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that all monthly claims and bills submitted to the court and dated through March 15, 2021, A.D. be approved and stand as read.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Wisdom, 4 votes yes, 0 votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the 2020 Racial Profiling Report submitted by the Hockley County Sheriff's Office. As per report recorded below.



## **Hockley County Sheriff's Office**

Ray Scifres
Sheriff, Hockley County

806.894.3126 Main 806.897.0750 Fax 806.894.9334 Jail 806.894.3161 Fax

March 2, 2021

To: Hockley County Commissioners' Court

From: Ray Scifres, Sheriff

Subject: 2020 Biased Based Policing Annual Report

In accordance with the Texas Racial Profiling Law (SB 1074), the Sheriff's Office collects and records data related to all traffic contacts initiated by deputies each year. The purpose of this report is to provide statistical data for the year beginning January 1, 2020, and ending December 31, 2020. The following data is collected and reported to the state, and includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Number of traffic stops
- 2. Race/ethnicity of those contacted
- 3. Whether a vehicle search was conducted
- 4. Whether the search was consensual
- 5. Whether contraband was recovered
- 6. Enforcement action taken
- 7. Whether force was used during the encounter

#### How Data is Collected

Deputies, following each traffic contact, complete a detailed report related to the stop. In cases where a written warning or a citation is issued, copies are attached to the racial profiling report completed by the deputy. The information is compiled by Sheriff's Office administration and prepared in a report.

#### **Data Collected for 2020**

Race / Ethnicity	# Contacts	%	# Searches	%	# Consent	Non- Consent	Contraband ?
African American	11	3.79	0	0.00	0	0	0
Caucasian	119	41.03	4	30.77	2	2	3
Hispanic	158	54.48	9	69.23	5	4	3
Native American	1	0.34	0	0.00	0	0	0
Asian	1	0.34	0	0.00	0	0	0
TOTAL	290	100	13	100	7	6	6



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#### Attachments

Attached is the Racial Profiling Report – Full Report that was submitted to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement on March 1, 2020, by Lt. E. Cavazos and Capt. Jeremy Ross. Along with the annual report, attached is the agency policy regarding Bias-Based Policing.

Regards,

Ray Scifres

Sheriff, Hockley County

# Racial Profiling Report | Full

Agency Name: HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Reporting Date: 03/01/2021 TCOLE Agency Number: 219100

Chief Administrator: JAMES R. SCIFRES JR

Agency Contact Information: Phone: (806) 894-3126

Email: rscifres@hockleycounty.org

Mailing Address:

1310 Avenue H Levelland, TX 79336-6030

This Agency filed a full report

HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE has adopted a detailed written policy on racial profiling. Our policy:

- 1) clearly defines acts constituting racial profiling;
- 2) strictly prohibits peace officers employed by the <u>HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u> from engaging in racial profiling;
- 3) implements a process by which an individual may file a complaint with the <u>HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u> if the individual believes that a peace officer employed by the <u>HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u> has engaged in racial profiling with respect to the individual;
- 4) provides public education relating to the agency's complaint process;
- 5) requires appropriate corrective action to be taken against a peace officer employed by the <u>HOCKLEY CO.</u> <u>SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u> who, after an investigation, is shown to have engaged in racial profiling in violation of the <u>HOCKLEY CO. SHERIFF'S OFFICE</u> policy;
- 6) requires collection of information relating to motor vehicle stops in which a warning or citation is issued and to arrests made as a result of those stops, including information relating to:
  - a. the race or ethnicity of the individual detained;
  - b. whether a search was conducted and, if so, whether the individual detained consented to the search;
  - c. whether the peace officer knew the race or ethnicity of the individual detained before detaining that individual:
  - d, whether the peace officer used physical force that resulted in bodily injury during the stop;
  - e. the location of the stop;
  - f. the reason for the stop.
- 7) requires the chief administrator of the agency, regardless of whether the administrator is elected, employed, or appointed, to submit an annual report of the information collected under Subdivision (6) to:
  - a, the Commission on Law Enforcement; and
  - b. the governing body of each county or municipality served by the agency, if the agency is an agency of a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of the state.

The HOCKLEY CO, SHERIFF'S OFFICE has satisfied the statutory data audit requirements as prescribed in Article

2.133(c), Code of Criminal Procedure during the reporting period.

Executed by: ELSA C. CAVAZOS

Lieutenant

Date: 03/01/2021

# Total stops: 290

Street a	ddress or approximate location of th	ie stop
City	street	130
US h	ighway	44
Cour	nty road	33
State	highway	83
Priva	te property or other	0
Was rad	ce or ethnicity known prior to stop?	
Yes		0
No		290
Race / E	Ethnicity	
Alasi	ka Native / American Indian	1
Asiaı	n / Pacific Islander	1
Black	•	11
White	9	119
Hispa	anic / Latino	158
Gender		
Fema	ale	93
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	4
	White	31
	Hispanic / Latino	58
Male	·	197
	Alaska Native / American Indian	1
	Asian / Pacific Islander	1
	Black	7
	White	88
	Hispanic / Latino	100
Reason	for stop?	
Viola	tion of law	6
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	0
	White	2

	Hispanic / Latino	4
Pree	xisting knowledge	4
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	0
	White	2
	Hispanic / Latino	2
Movi	ng traffic violation	180
	Alaska Native / American Indian	1
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	4
	White	78
	Hispanic / Latino	97
Vehi	cle traffic violation	100
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	1
	Black	7
	White	37
	Hispanic / Latino	55
Wasa	search conducted?	
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Yes		13
Yes	Alaska Nativo / American Indian	<b>13</b>
Yes	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Yes	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Yes	Asian / Pacific Islander Black	0 0 0
Yes	Asian / Pacific Islander Black White	0 0 0 4
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Asiaı	n / Pacific Islander	0				
Black	<b>C</b>	0				
White	•	2				
Hispa	anic / Latino	0				
Probable		4				
Alasi	ca Native / American Indian	0				
Asiaı	n / Pacific Islander	0				
Black	(	0				
White	•	0				
Hispa	anic / Latino	4				
Inventory		0				
Alasl	ra Native / American Indian	0				
Asia	n / Pacific Islander	0				
Black	ζ	0				
White	•	0				
Hispa	anic / Latino	0				
Incident to	arrest	0				
Alasi	ca Native / American Indian	0				
Asia	ı / Pacific Islander	0				
Black	(	0				
White	e	0				
Hispa	anic / Latino	0				
Was Contraba	and discovered?					
Yes		6	Did th	e findin	g result in	arrest?
			(total s	should e	qual previou	us column)
Alasi	ca Native / American Indian	0	Yes	0	No	0
Asiar	ı / Pacific Islander	0	Yes	0	No	0
Black	(	0	Yes	0	No	0
White	•	3	Yes	1	No	2
Hispa	anic / Latino	3	Yes	1	No	2
No		7				
Alasi	ca Native / American Indian	0				
Asiar	n / Pacific Islander	1				
Black	ζ	0				
White	•	0				
Hispa	anic / Latino	6				

#### **Description of contraband** 4 Drugs 0 Alaska Native / American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 Black 2 White 2 Hispanic / Latino 0 Weapons 0 Alaska Native / American Indian Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0 Black 0 White 0 Hispanic / Latino 0 Currency Alaska Native / American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0 Black 0 White 0 Hispanic / Latino 1 Alcohol Alaska Native / American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 0 Black 0 White 1 Hispanic / Latino 0 Stolen property 0 Alaska Native / American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 Black 0 White Hispanic / Latino 0 1 Other 0 Alaska Native / American Indian 0 Asian / Pacific Islander 0 **Black** 0 White 1 Hispanic / Latino Result of the stop 248 Verbal warning

Alaska Native / American Indian	1
Asian / Pacific Islander	1
Black	10
White	103
Hispanic / Latino	133
Written warning	19
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Black	1
White	8
Hispanic / Latino	10
Citation	20
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Black	0
White	7
Hispanic / Latino	13
Written warning and arrest	0
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Black	0
White	0
Hispanic / Latino	0
Citation and arrest	0
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Black	0
White	0
Hispanic / Latino	0
Arrest	3
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0
Black	0
White	1
Hispanic / Latino	2
Arrest based on	
Violation of Penal Code	2
Alaska Native / American Indian	0
Asian / Pacific Islander	0

	Black	0
	White	1
	Hispanic / Latino	1
Violat	tion of Traffic Law	0
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	0
	White	0
	Hispanic / Latino	0
Violat	tion of City Ordinance	0
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	0
	White	0
	Hispanic / Latino	0
Outst	anding Warrant	1
	Alaska Native / American Indian	0
	Asian / Pacific Islander	0
	Black	0
	White	0
	Hispanic / Latino	1
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#### Submitted electronically to the



# The Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

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#### HOCKLEY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Policy #2.2 Bias Based Policing

Effective Date: 1/10/2018 Replaces:

Approved: Sheriff

Related Policy: Professional Standards and Conduct

#### I. POLICY

We are committed to a respect for constitutional rights in the performance of our duties. Our success is based on the respect we give to our communities, and the respect members of the community observe toward law enforcement. To this end, we shall exercise our sworn duties, responsibilities, and obligations in a manner that does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, ethnicity, age, or religion. Respect for diversity and equitable enforcement of the law are essential to our mission.

All enforcement actions shall be based on the standards of reasonable suspicion or probable cause as required by the Fourth Amendment to the U. S. Constitution and by statutory authority. In all enforcement decisions, officers shall be able to articulate specific facts, circumstances, and conclusions that support probable cause or reasonable suspicion for arrests, searches, seizures, and stops of individuals. Officers shall not stop, detain, arrest, search, or attempt to search anyone based solely upon the person's race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group.

All departmental orders are informed and guided by this directive. Nothing in this order limits non-enforcement contacts between officers and the public.

#### II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this order is to provide general guidance on reducing the presence of bias in law enforcement actions, to identify key contexts in which bias may influence these actions, and emphasize the importance of the constitutional guidelines within which we operate.

#### III. DEFINITIONS

Most of the following terms appear in this policy statement. In any case, these terms appear in the larger public discourse about alleged biased enforcement behavior and in other orders. These definitions are intended to facilitate on-going discussion and analysis of our enforcement practices.

A. Bias: Prejudice or partiality based on preconceived ideas, a person's upbringing, culture, experience, or education.

- B. Biased policing: Stopping, detaining, searching, or attempting to search, or using force against a person based upon his or her race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group.
- C. Ethnicity: A cluster of characteristics that may include race but also cultural characteristics or traits that are shared by a group with a common experience or history.
- D. Gender: Unlike sex, a psychological classification based on cultural characteristics or traits.
- E. Probable cause: Facts or apparent facts and circumstances within an officer's knowledge and of which the officer had reasonable, trustworthy information to lead a reasonable person to believe that an offense has been or is being committed, and that the suspect has committed it.
- F. Race: A category of people of a particular decent, including Caucasian, African, Hispanic, Asian, Middle Eastern, or Native American descent. As distinct from ethnicity, race refers only to physical characteristics sufficiently distinctive to group people under a classification.
- G. Racial profiling: A law-enforcement initiated action based on an individual's race, ethnicity, or national origin rather than on the individual's behavior or on information identifying the individual as having engaged in criminal activity.
- H. Reasonable suspicion: Articulable, objective facts that lead an experienced officer to suspect that a person has committed, is committing, or may be about to commit a crime. A well-founded suspicion is based on the totality of the circumstances and does not exist unless it can be articulated. Reasonable suspicion supports a stop of a person. Courts require that stops based on reasonable suspicion be "objectively reasonable."
- I. Sex: A biological classification, male or female, based on physical and genetic characteristics.
- J. Stop: An investigative detention. The detention of a subject for a brief period of time, based on reasonable suspicion.

#### IV. PROCEDURES

#### A. General responsibilities

1. Officers are prohibited from engaging in bias-based profiling or stopping, detaining, searching, arresting, or taking any enforcement action including

- seizure or forfeiture activities, against any person based solely on the person's race, ethnic background, gender, sexual orientation, religion, economic status, age, cultural group, or any other identifiable group. These characteristics, however, may form part of reasonable suspicion or probable cause when officers are seeking a suspect with one or more of these attributes. (TBP: 2.01)
- 2. Investigative detentions, traffic stops, arrests, searches, and property seizures by officers will be based on a standard of reasonable suspicion or probable cause in accordance with the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Officers must be able to articulate specific facts and circumstances that support reasonable suspicion or probable cause for investigative detentions, traffic stops, subject stops, arrests, nonconsensual searches, and property seizures. Except as provided in number 3 below, officers shall not consider race/ethnicity in establishing either reasonable suspicion or probably cause. Similarly, except as provided below, officers shall not consider race/ethnicity in deciding to initiate even those nonconsensual encounters that do not amount to legal detentions or to request consent to search.
- 3. Officers may take into account the reported race or ethnicity of a specific suspect or suspects based on trustworthy, locally relevant information that links a person or persons of a specific race/ethnicity to a particular unlawful incident(s). Race/ethnicity can never be used as the sole basis for probable cause or reasonable suspicion. Except as provided above, reasonable suspicion or probable cause shall form the basis for any enforcement actions or decisions. Individuals shall be subjected to stops, seizures, or detentions only upon reasonable suspicion that they have committed, are committing, or are about to commit an offense. Officers shall document the elements of reasonable suspicion and probable cause in appropriate reports.
- 4. Officers shall observe all constitutional safeguards and shall respect the constitutional rights of all persons.
  - a. As traffic stops furnish a primary source of bias-related complaints, officers shall have a firm understanding of the warrantless searches allowed by law, particularly the use of consent. How the officer disengages from a traffic stop may be crucial to a person's perception of fairness or discrimination.
  - b. Officers shall not use the refusal or lack of cooperation to justify a search of the person or vehicle or a prolonged detention once reasonable suspicion has been dispelled.
- 5. All personnel shall treat everyone with the same courtesy and respect that they would have others observe to department personnel. To this end, personnel are reminded that the exercise of courtesy and respect engenders a future willingness to cooperate with law enforcement.
  - a. Personnel shall facilitate an individual's access to other governmental services whenever possible, and shall actively provide referrals to other appropriate agencies.
  - b. All personnel shall courteously accept, document, and forward to the Sheriff any complaints made by an individual against the agency.

- 6. When feasible, personnel shall offer explanations of the reasons for enforcement actions or other decisions that bear on the individual's well-being unless the explanation would undermine an investigation or jeopardize an officer's safety.
- 7. When concluding an encounter, personnel shall thank him or her for cooperating.
- 8. When feasible, all personnel shall identify themselves by name. When a person requests the information, personnel shall give their agency identification number, name of the immediate supervisor, or any other reasonable information.
- 9. All personnel are accountable for their actions. Personnel shall justify their actions when required.

#### B. Supervisory responsibilities

- 1. Supervisors shall be held accountable for the observance of constitutional safeguards during the performance of their duties. Supervisors shall identify and correct instances of bias in the work of their subordinates.
- 2. Supervisors shall use the disciplinary mechanisms of the agency to ensure compliance with this order and the constitutional requirements of law enforcement.
- 3. Supervisors shall be mindful that in accounting for the actions and performance of subordinates, supervisors are key to maintaining community trust in law enforcement. Supervisors shall continually reinforce the ethic of impartial enforcement of the laws, and shall ensure that personnel, by their actions, maintain the community's trust in law enforcement.
- 4. Supervisors are reminded that biased enforcement of the laws engenders not only mistrust of law enforcement, but increases safety risks to personnel. Lack of control over bias also exposes the department to liability consequences.
- 5. Supervisors shall be held accountable for repeated instances of biased enforcement of their subordinates.
- 6. Supervisors shall ensure that all enforcement actions are duly documented per agency policy. Supervisors shall ensure that all reports show adequate documentation of reasonable suspicion and probable cause, if applicable.
- Supervisors shall facilitate the filing of any complaints about lawenforcement service.

#### C. Disciplinary consequences

Actions prohibited by this order shall be cause for disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal.

#### D. Training (TBP: 2.01)

Officers shall complete all training required by state law regarding bias-based profiling.

#### V. COMPLAINTS AND COMPLIMENTS

- A. The agency shall make citizens aware of the complaint and compliment process. Whenever possible, the media, and/or social media, will be used to inform the public of the agency's policy and complaint and compliment process.
- B. Those who desire to file a complaint or make a compliment toward a deputy shall do so in writing. Any complaints alleging racial bias or bias-based policing directed at a deputy may be required to be submitted on a sworn affidavit by the complainant.
- C. The information provided to the public concerning the complaint and compliment process will include, but not limited to, the following: how such can be filed, the agency address, telephone number, and email address where the complaint or compliment may be made related to a ticket, citation, or warning issued by a deputy.
- D. Complaints alleging incidents of bias-based profiling will be fully investigated as described under Policy 2.4.
- E. Complainants will be notified of the results of the investigations when the investigation is completed.

#### VI. RECORD KEEPING

- A. The department will maintain all required records on traffic stops where a citation or warning is issued or where an arrest is made subsequent to a traffic stop pursuant to state law. Information collected will include the following:
  - 1. Race or ethnicity of the individual detained,
  - 2. Whether a search was conducted, and whether the individual consented to the search,
  - 3. Whether the deputy knew the race or ethnicity of the individual before the stop was made,
  - 4. Whether any physical force was used that resulted in bodily injury as defined under Texas Penal Code 1.07,
  - 5. The location of the stop,
  - 6. The reason for the stop.
- B. The information collected above will be reported to the Commissioner's Court annually.
- **C.** The information will also be reported to TCOLE in the required format annually or as required.

Motion by Commissioner Clevenger, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the ABC Pro Rodeo Proclamation. As per Proclamation recognizing March 27, - April 3, 2021 as ABC Pro Rodeo Week in Hockley County recorded below.

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## Recognizing March 27th – April 3rd, 2021 as ABC Pro Rodeo Week In Hockley County

WHEREAS: The Downtown Chapter of the American Business Clubs (AMBUCS) created the ABC Pro Rodeo 78 years ago, for the sole purpose of sponsoring and maintaining the Boys Clubs of Lubbock, now known as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lubbock; and,

WHEREAS: AMBUCS's activities have enhanced the quality of life for young people, strengthen the bonds of friendship and compassion within the community, and promote leadership skills and positive initiatives that are beneficial to their future; and,

WHEREAS: AMBUCS has contributed over a million and a half dollars to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lubbock over the past 77 years, primarily because of the success of the annual ABC Pro Rodeo; and,

WHEREAS: It is fitting to recognize AMBUCS and its members for the hard work and many hours of planning and logistics that are required to organize and promote the ABC Pro Rodeo, which is an established and important tradition,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Hockley County Commissioners Court do hereby commemorate March 27th through April 3rd, 2021 as

## ABC Pro Rodeo Week

in Hockley County, Texas, and encourage all citizens to support the AMBUCS, to congratulate the ABC Pro Rodeo on their 78th Anniversary, and to make sure and attend this year's Pro Rodeo.

Dated	this 15 <sup>th</sup> day of March 2021.
	Sharla Baldridge
	Sharla Baldridge, Hockley County Judge
ATTEST:	HAN Wisdom
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Review of the February 2021 Fire Runs as submitted by the City of Levelland. As per report recorded below.



## LEVELLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

603 5TH ST LEVELLAND, TEXAS 79336

#### **County Monthly By Date**

District: 2

Inc #:

Exp #: Alarm Date:

**Incident Type:** 

2021047

2/27/2021 18:42 111 - Building fire

Address:

6821 E STATE HIGHWAY 114, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

# of Personnel:

Hours Paid per Person:

Total Man Hours:

.00

# of Apparatus:

5

Total Call Duration: 03:48:00

We received a call stating that a suicidal subject drove a pickup through the entrance of a building and the vehicle and building were on fire. Upon arrival we found the incident to be just as described and assisted with the extinguishment of the fire. We used all said apparatus and personnel to assist both Smyer and West Carlisle with the blaze. We then returned to the station.

2021035 0 2/16/2021 14:20 600 - Good intent call, other

Address:

100 MAIN ST, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79372

Total Man Hours:

.00

# of Personnel:

Hours Paid per Person:

# of Apparatus:

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Total Call Duration: 02:17:00

MORTON REQUESTED WE RESPOND TO FILL THEIR AIR-PAK BOTTLES, FOR A STRUCTURE FIRE.

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2/14/2021 20:27 111 - Building fire

Address:

903 N US HIGHWAY 385, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

# of Personnel:

Hours Paid per Person:

Total Man Hours:

.00

# of Apparatus:

Total Call Duration: 01:17:00

FD WAS CALLED TO THE LOCATION FOR A FIRE IN THE WELL HOUSE. B14 & B12 RESPONDED TO THE SCENE. ON ARRIVAL FD FOUND THE WELL HOUSE ON FIRE. A HANE LINE WAS PULLED. THE FIRE AND ALL HOT SPOTS WAS EXTINGUISHED. FD CLEARED AND RETURNED TO THE STATION.

2021030 0 2/13/2021 19:13 111 - Building fire

821 VERETTO RD, HOCKLEY CO, TX 79336

# of Personnel: 6

Hours Paid per Person:

Total Man Hours: .00

# of Apparatus:

5

Total Call Duration: 00:58:00

CALLER ADVISED THERE WAS A FIRE INSIDE THE HOUSE AT THIS LOCATION. UPON ARRIVAL, UNITS FOUND FIRE IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE HOUSE. A MATTRESS WAS ON FIRE. UNITS WORKED TO EXTINGUISH THE FIRE AND VENTED THE HOUSE, THEN RETURNED TO THE STATION.

**2021026** 0

2/8/2021 00:06 600 - Good intent call, other

Address: Intersection of N FM 2646 & E STATE HIGHWAY 114, HOCKLEY CO, TX

# of Personnel: 3

Hours Paid per Person:

Total Man Hours: .00

# of Apparatus: 3

Total Call Duration: 06:42:32

PD RECEIVED A CALL ABOUT A GRASS FIRE IN THE BAR DITCH IN THIS AREA. UPON ARRIVAL IN THE AREA UNITS WERE UNABLE TO LOCATE ANY FIRE, AFTER SEARCHING THE AREA.

Total Number of Incidents in this District: 5

Grand Total Call Duration: 0 Days, 15:0

#### Report Filter Settings

**Report Name:** 

County Monthly by Date - with Narrative

Filter Name:

Date Range, District, and Incident Type Code

Filter Expression: (Not Is Null [IncidentNumber]) And ([AlarmDateTime] is between '2/1/2021 00:00' and '3/1/2021 00:00') And ([DistrictID] equals '2 - 2')

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved to support Texas A&M Agrilife Extension that the Hockley County Commissioners' Court has budgeted toward salary for the County Extension Agent-Family & Community Health.

Motion by Commissioner Wisdom, second by Commissioner Carter, Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved Ad Valorem tax refund in the amount of Eight hundred ninety six dollars and thirty six cents (\$896.36) to JoeKirk Land

Approved ad valorem tax refund in the amount of eight hundred sixty dollars and eighteen cents (\$860.18) to HCAC

As per Debbie Bramlett tax Assessor

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HOCKLEY COUNTY REFUND FOSTING CLERK-DB 01889**18890** 

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\*\* REFUND DUE TO AN OVERPAYMENT 2020015634

**HOCKLEY COUNTY** 

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Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Graf, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved to Nunc Pro Tunc item 5 of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court dated November 2, 2020 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve the trade-in of a 2016 John Deere 770G Motor Grader and to purchase a 2021 John Deere 770G Motor Grader through Sourcewell for use in Precinct 2.

Motion by Commissioner Graf, second by Commissioner Wisdom, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved to Nunc Pro Tunc item 6 of the minutes from the Special Meeting of the Commissioners Court dated November 9, 2020 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve the trade-in of a 2016 John Deere 770G Motor Grader and to purchase a 2021 John Deere 770G Motor Grader through Sourcewell for use in Precinct 3.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Wisdom, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved to Nunc Pro Tunc item 8 of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Commissioners Court dated March 1, 2021 to read as follows: Consider and take necessary action to approve a road crossing for Lyntegar Electric on Alamo Road in Precinct 2.

Motion by Commissioner Clevenger, second by Commissioner Carter, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the Plat for Tract "A", DG Commercial an addition to the County of Hockley, Texas in Precinct 4. As per Plat recorded below.

Motion by Commissioner Carter, second by Commissioner Clevenger, 4 Votes Yes, 0 Votes No, that Commissioners Court approved the Order prohibiting Outdoor Burning. As per Order recorded below.

### ORDER PROHIBITING OUTDOOR BURNING

WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court finds that circumstances present in all or part of the unincorporated area of the county create a public safety hazard that would be exacerbated by outdoor burning;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by the Commissioners Court of Hockley County that all outdoor burning is prohibited in the unincorporated area of the county for 90 days from the date of adoption of this Order, unless the restrictions are terminated earlier based on a determination made by: the Texas Forest Service that drought conditions no longer exist; or (2) the Commissioners Court based on a determination that the circumstances that required the Order no longer exist.

This Order is adopted pursuant to Local Government Code §352.081, and other applicable statutes. This Order does not prohibit outdoor burning activities related to public health and safety that are authorized by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for (1) firefighter training: (2) public utility, natural gas pipeline or mining operations; (3) planting or harvesting of agricultural crops; or, (4) burns that are conducted by a prescribed burn manager certified under §153.048, Natural Resources Code, and meet the standards of §153.047, Natural Resources Code.

In accordance with Local Government Code §352.081(h), a violation of this Order is a Class C misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.

ADOPTED this 15<sup>TH</sup> day of March, 2021 by a vote of \_\_\_4\_\_\_ 0 nays.

Sharla Baldridge

Hockley County Judge

ATTEST:

Jennifer Palermo, Hockley County Clerk

There being no further business to come before the Court, the Judge declared Court adjourned, subject to call.

The foregoing Minutes of a Commissioner's Court meeting held on the 15th day of 1, A. D. 2021, was examined by me and approved.

Commissioner, Precinct No. 1

Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

Commissioner, Precinct No.

County Judge

JENNIFER PALERMO, County Clerk, and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court Hockley County, Texas

