

**REGIONAL PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

MEETING MINUTES

DATE: October 13, 2020
TIME: 3:30 p.m. CDT
PLACE: Zoom Conference

The following members were present: William Cox, Andrea Marsh, Judge Dean Rucker, Judge Curtis Parrish, Geoff Burkhart, Commissioner Bill McCay, Commissioner Chuck Statler, Rick Wardroup, Dan Hurley, Abner Burnett

The Board of Directors may discuss and take action on each agenda item.

1. Call to Order – *William Cox - 3:43 CT*

2. Acknowledgement of a Quorum – *Elaine Nauert*

3. Public Comment - *The Board of Directors will read into the record all public comments submitted in accordance with the provisions outlined above. The Board of Directors has no obligation to respond to comments or questions from the public. Any Board deliberation of, or decision about, a subject not included on the current meeting agenda shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a subsequent meeting. No action can be taken on an item not specified on current agenda.*

-None.

4. Approval of September 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Upon a motion by Judge Parrish, seconded by Abner Burnett, the board unanimously voted to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2020 board meeting.

5. RPDO Business Items

a. Consider a resolution authorizing the Chief Public Defender to act as and perform the duties of the chief executive officer of the RPDO until such time as the Board formally appoints a chief executive officer.

Upon a motion by Commissioner McCay and seconded by Rick Wardroup., the board unanimously voted to approve the resolution as presented by Matt Underwood.

b. Consider authorizing the chief executive officer/RPDO staff to publish notice for and receive applications from financial institutions to act as the depository for RPDO funds or as may otherwise be authorized by applicable law.

Upon a motion by Geoff Burkhart and seconded by Andrea Marsh, the board unanimously voted to approve the RFP as presented by Matt Underwood.

c. Consider approving the standard form interlocal agreement between the RPDO and Texas counties participating in the RPDO program.

Upon a motion by Andrea Marsh and seconded by Commissioner Bill McCay to strike paragraphs 1.04 and 1.05, the board unanimously voted to approve the Interlocal Agreement presented by Matt Underwood.

d. Update from the Chief Public Defender on business items associated with forming the new local government corporation:

Update as presented by Ray Keith.

- Membership application for joining the Texas Association of Counties risk pool and/or obtaining insurance coverage.
- Discuss the operational status of the Wichita Falls RPDO office including staffing and utilization strategies.
- Discuss the lease for office space at the RPDO's existing Lubbock office with Lubbock County.

6. Convene into executive session in accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §551.071

***Executive Session Disclosure Statement:** The RPDO Board of Directors reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any item listed on this agenda as authorized by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including but not necessarily limited to §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), §551.072 (Deliberations regarding Real Property), §551.073 (Deliberations regarding Gifts and Donations), §551.074 (Personnel Matters), and §551.076 (Deliberations regarding Security Devices).*

At 5:03 p.m., as authorized by the Texas Government Code, the Board entered into executive session. At 5:12 by board reconvened in regular session.

7. Discuss and schedule setting future Board of Directors meetings

Next meeting is November 10th at 3:30.

8. Announcements

9. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Commissioner Bill McCay and seconded by Commissioner Chuck Statler, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.