

"We will discuss the potential legal implications of failing to have a sufficient written lease and the potential legal issues and litigation that the development of written leases can help avoid," she said. "The workshops will also familiarize participants with key terms and provisions that should be considered in lease negotiations."

Participants will receive a leasing handbook that covers legal issues, designing lease payment structures and calculating payments, landowner liability, as well as checklists and sample lease forms for negotiating lease agreements.

Commissioners Court meeting minutes

The Coke County Commissioners met in special session on August 31, 2017, at 9 am in the courthouse in Robert Lee. Those in attendance included County Judge Roy Blair, Commissioner Precinct #1 Donald Robertson, Commissioner Precinct #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner Precinct #3 Marshall Millican, Commissioner Precinct #4 Joe Sefcik and Deputy Clerk Martha Ratliff.

The meeting was opened with prayer given by Judge Roy Blair and pledge to the flag was recited.

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

No changes were made to the 2017-2018 budget.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adopt the general tax rate of .525150 for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to adopt the road and bridge tax rate of .160259 for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Robertson made a motion to adopt the general budget for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Sefcik made a motion to adopt the road and bridge budget for the fiscal year of 2017-2018. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Judge Blair made a motion to increase the property tax rate of .044572 for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve interlocal agreement with Lubbock County for the regional public defender for capital cases. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to let Restoring Bronte Foundation Brontetoberfest be held at the Bronte Park on October 20-22, 2017. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to waive the rental fee for the RV spots in Bronte for the Brontetoberfest on October 20-22, 2017. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Sefcik made a motion to convene on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 9 am for the fiscal year 2017-2018. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. Commissioner Williams opposed. The motion carried.

Judge Blair received a bid from Cole Bosworth to do masonry repair on the outside of the courthouse. Commissioner Williams made a motion to let Mr. Bosworth repair the outside of the courthouse. Commissioner Robertson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the line item transfers as presented. Commissioner Millican seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Millican made a motion to approve the SB-12 Rifle Resistant Body Armor Grant. Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No action was taken on the burn ban.

Commissioner Williams attended a conference in Austin that was very informative. Judge Blair talked about getting repairs done inside the courthouse.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the payment of bills. Commissioner Sefcik seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:50 am.



Tea Time! Residents of the Bronte Health and Rehab Center recently enjoyed tea and cookies while visiting with members of the Red Hat Society.

RLISD Board of Trustees meeting minues

On Tuesday, September 19, 2017, a regular meeting of the Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees was held in the Robert Lee ISD Conference Room 119 at 5 pm. The meeting was called to order by President Washam.

Members present included Wes Washam, Beverly Sinclair, George Grim, Tom Sawyer, Irma Torres, Jeffie Roberts, and Erin Oleksiuk

At 5 pm the meeting was called to order by President Washam and a quorum of members present was established.

Invocation and pledge was led by George Grim.

The words "thank you" seem too simple and too small to convey just how overwhelming and how big your love shone as we mourned the death of our mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, Joyce "Mimi" Dodson.

For all of the hugs, calls, kind words, food, flowers, cards, and prayers, we are very grateful. In the midst of our loss, we felt so comforted and so cared for by this loving community. Surely God used you to let us know that we were held in the hollow of His hand. Blessed to have had Mother for many years, we are also blessed to know that you loved her too.

We are confident that we will see her again. For now, we rejoice in her life and legacy.

Sincerely,

**The Family of Joyce Dodson -
Marsha and Robert Wink, Mary Beth Dodson,
Vic and Bonnie Dodson**

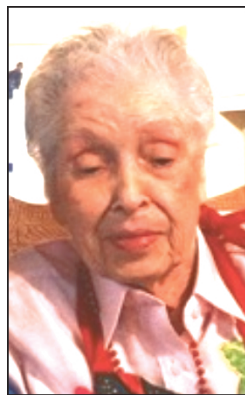
Hymn of Promise

by Natalie Sleeth

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bring hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.



Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the minutes of August 30, 2017, and was seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All were for.

Erin Oleksiuk made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented by Robin Allen, and to approve the bills. This was seconded by Beverly Sinclair. All were for.

David O'Dell gave the high school report; enrollment for grades 7-12 was 105 and attendance rate was 98% for the month of August. Lee McCown gave the elementary principals

report; elementary enrollment for August was 163 students and 98.5% attendance rate.

Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended naming 4-H as extracurricular status. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Irma Torres. All were for.

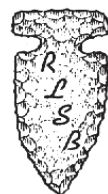
Superintendent Aaron Hood recommended naming Morgan Runyan and Kandice Everitt as Adjunct Faculty. Erin Oleksiuk made the motion to approve the recommendation and was seconded by Tom Sawyer. All were for.

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