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**Commissioners Court Minutes**

**November 24, 2014**, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge  
Reese Turner, Commissioner, Precinct 1  
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2  
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3  
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4  
Rebecca Thomas, Deputy County Clerk

**9:00 A.M. OPENING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

**CONSIDERATION/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).  
Order #14-412*

Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4 left for a funeral.

**1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**

Ellen Remmert petitioned the Court to change the speed limit on Granville Road.

**2. Presentation by Texas AgriLife Extension regarding Family & Consumer Science programs.**

Michelle Allen discussed Back to School programs and community programs for students and young adults.

3. **Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide and sell 2 acres out of two 15.653 acre tracts located in Precinct 2 with approximately 260 feet of frontage on FM 1094 and 335 feet in depth.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).  
Order #14-413*

4. **Consideration and possible action to adopt Consent Agenda Format.**
5. **CONSENT AGENDA—Items listed are of routine nature and may be acted on in a single motion unless requested otherwise by member of Commissioners Court.**
  - a. **Transmittal of Minutes – October 21, 2014**
  - b. **Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of official record binders out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$163.41 each.**
  - c. **Consideration and possible action to renew Affiliation Agreement between Wharton County Junior College EMS Training Program and Austin County EMS.**
  - d. **Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of Fujitsu Fi-7160 Sheetfed Scanner – 600 dpi Optical in the County Clerk’s Office out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$928.00.**
  - e. **Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of 2 HP ProDesk 600 G1 Small Form Factor Business PC’s in the County Clerk’s Office out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$1,154.80 each.**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).  
Order #14-414*

6. **Sheriff’s Activity Report – October 2014.**
7. **Consideration and possible action to ratify Texas 1033 Surplus Property Program for Sheriff’s Department.**

*Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).  
Order #14-415*

8. **Consideration and possible action to replace Cathie Noviskie as Records Management Officer and appoint Shannon Hanath.**

*Motion to Appoint: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).  
Order #14-416*

**9. Consideration and possible action to authorize Resolution regarding opposition to EPA's proposed mandate to lower the existing ozone standard.**

Per Judge Bilski EPA's proposal will only make it harder for new businesses to open. Will not make any difference health wise.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-417**

**10. Consideration and possible action to authorize special election procedures as needed.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-418**

**11. Consideration and possible action to accept polling places for the December 6, 2014 Special Election.**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-419**

**12. Consideration and possible action to appoint Don Allen to temporarily replace Presiding Judge for Precinct 312 for December 6, 2014 Special Election.**

*Motion to Appoint: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-420**

**13. Consideration and possible action to approve collection & assessment agreement with Austin County Appraisal District.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-421**

**14. Consideration and possible action to authorize use of tobacco funds for striping of EMS Tahoe.**

Move to Mechanical Repair line item instead of using tobacco funds.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-422**

- 15. Consideration and possible action to authorize resolution for lease purchase option and action as appropriate.**

Three year lease to purchase order from Caldwell County for 2015 Silverado pick-up truck in the amount of \$29,828.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-423**

- 16. Discussion regarding computer needs for the Justice of the Peace offices to be funded out of Technology Account and action as appropriate.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-424**

- 17. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.**  
**a. Payment of Claims**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #14-425**

- b. Budget Amendments**
- c. County Auditor's review of finances**
- d. County Treasurer review of finances**
  - i. Austin County Payroll & Escrow Report Bank Statement**
  - ii. Payroll & Escrow Report**

- 18. Written end-of-month reports submitted by County Offices.**  
**a. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 – October 2014**

Court adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:**

- 1. Pending litigation. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.071).**

Court reconvened at 10:58 a.m.

- 19. Action as appropriate from Executive Session.**

No action.

**20. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

None.

Court adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

**ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS  
PROVIDED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the accuracy of the  
Commissioners Court proceedings for November 24, 2014.**

Date: December 16, 2014

Rebecca Thomas

**Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioners Court  
Austin County, Texas  
By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy**

