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**Commissioners Court Minutes**

**August 24, 2015**, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Tim Lapham, 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 Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).  
Order #15-294*

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

Ric Flores, President of the Board of Bellville Chamber of Commerce reaffirmed the Chamber's willingness to work with the County.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET**

Public Hearing opened 9:08 a.m.

Valeria Bartay and Lucille Gross – voiced their concerns with regard to raises.

David Toalson – discussed placing ambulances in a central location so response times are lowered.

Ron Dille – EMS does move ambulances around, but they still need more.

Sue Murphy – requested Deputy #3 position be reduced to \$13,000 instead of \$5,000.

Public Hearing closed 9:30 a.m.

**3. Discussion regarding effective tax rate and revenues and action as appropriate.**

Commissioner Turner suggested pulling fund out of reserves to make up for half of deficit.

Per County Auditor, Betty Jez, County Auditor states it can be done.

No Action.

**4. Consideration and possible action to set proposed salaries and allowances for county officials.**

Proposed 3% raise for Elected Officials.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-1).  
Commissioner Turner opposed.*

**Order #15-295**

All Commissioners opted out of receiving the raise. It will go into their budget, but will not affect their pay.

**5. Consideration and possible action to adopt a proposed tax rate and schedule public hearings as needed.**

Proposed tax rate changes to 4%

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*

**Order #15-296**

Public Hearings set for:

September 8, 2015 9:00 a.m.

September 14, 2015 9:00 a.m.

September 21, 2015 9:00 a.m.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*

**Order #15-297**

**6. Consideration and possible action to adopt and approve final Budget of Austin County, Texas for Fiscal Year 2015-16.**

*Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #15-298*

**7. Open bid proposals for the following, and action as appropriate.**

**a. Road Materials/Gravel**

1. Vulcan Construction Materials LP
2. Inland Environmental & Remediation, Inc.
3. Headwaters Resources, Inc.
4. Macat Services
5. Texas Lumber & Construction Company
6. Prihoda Gravel Co.
7. Rock Crushers, Inc.
8. G.E. Huebner Concrete, Inc.
9. Quality Hot Mix, Inc.
10. Martin Marietta
11. Colorado Materials, Ltd. Glidden, Texas Rail Yard
12. Bernardo Trucking
13. Cemex
14. Zbranek Brothers
15. Century Asphalt, Ltd.
16. American Materials
17. Colorado Materials, Ltd. Hunter, TX Plant

**b. Asphalts, Liquid Asphalt, Emulsion & Dust Control**

1. Quality Hot Mix, Inc.
2. Bernardo Trucking
3. Colorado Materials, Ltd. Hunter, TX Plant
4. American Materials
5. Century Asphalt, Ltd.
6. Waller County Asphalt, Inc.
7. Cleveland Asphalt Products, Inc
8. Vulcan Construction Materials LP
9. James Construction Group, LLC – Tarmac
10. Martin Asphalt Company
11. Western Emulsions Inc.
12. S & S Supplies, Inc.
13. Prime Eco Group, Inc.
14. P2 Emulsion Plants LLC

- c. **Corrugated Culverts**
  - 1. Wilson Culverts, Inc.
  - 2. Contech Engineered Solutions
- d. **HDPE Culvert Pipe**
  - 1. ADS Advanced Drainage Systems
- e. **Concrete/Cement**
  - 1. Koy Concrete
  - 2. G.E. Huebner Concrete Inc.
- f. **Fuel (Gasoline & Diesel)**
  - 1. Colorado County Oil Co., Inc.
- g. **Surface Treatments, Asphalt Laydown and Asphalt Milling**
  - 1. Faltisek Paving Partnership, LTD.
  - 2. Durwood Greene Construction Co.
  - 3. Sealy Paving Inc.
  - 4. Cornerstone Paving and Construction LLC
  - 5. TLC Trucking & Contracting, Inc.
- h. **Hauling (Road Materials)**
  - 1. Quality Hot Mix, Inc.

**8. PUBLIC HEARING ON STOP SIGN ON LAKE ROAD AT UECKERT ROAD**

**9. Action as appropriate from Public Hearing.**

Commissioner Turner made a motion to change the Yield sign to a Stop sign.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).  
Order #15-299*

**10. 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. Approval of Minutes**

**i. July 27, 2015**

Change Order #15-260 to read Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-300**

- b. Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for employee in District Attorney's Office to carry over 64.5 unused vacation hours earned in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 through October 30, 2015.**
- c. Consideration and possible action to accept a donation to the Austin County Sheriff's Department per Local Government Code 81.032.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-301**

**11. Review of memorandum of understanding between Austin County and Bellville WIC.**

Leave as written.

**12. Discussion on Burn Ban and action as appropriate.**

Commissioner Reichardt suggested the burn ban lifted temporarily as weather permits.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-302**

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

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-303**

**b. Budget Amendments**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-304**

**c. County Auditor's review of finances**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-305**

**d. County Treasurer**

- ii. **May 2015 Reconciled Report**
- iii. **Payroll & Escrow Report**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-306**

**14. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**

- a. **Tax Assessor-Collector – July 2015**
- b. **Constable, Precinct 2 – July 2015**
- c. **County Court – July 2015**
- d. **155<sup>th</sup> District Court – July 2015**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-306**

**15. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

Commissioner King questioned the Verizon bill amounts.

Small Town Christmas Committee would like to put a lit Christmas Tree on one end of the courthouse, The Little Red Barn would like to put a LED Christmas Tree on the other end.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #15-307**

Court adjourned 12:05 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 August 24, 2015.**

Date: September 9, 2015

Carrie Gregor

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

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COUNTY CLERK  
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS

