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Commissioners Court Minutes

September 11, 2017, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Tim Lapham, County Judge
Mark Lamp, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Andrea Cardenas, 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, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).

Order #17-261

9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE

Don Huebner spoke regarding budget, taxes and County spending.

Public Hearing closed at 9:10 a.m.

1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Billie Maness spoke regarding drainage ditches on Jurica Road.

2. Discussion regarding proposed tax rate and action as appropriate.

No action.

3. **Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 8 +/- acres from 38.74 acres tract on Heron Ln in Precinct 1.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #17-262

4. **Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 2.00 acres from 3.10 acres tract on FM 949 in Precinct 1.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #17-263

5. **Consideration and possible action to approve Change Order for construction of Old Highway 36 and Old Nelsonville Road Rehabilitation and action as appropriate.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #17-264

6. **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. **August 21, 2017**
 - b. **Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for EMS employee to carry over 10 hours of unused vacation hours earned in 2016-2017 to be used by October 10, 2017.**
 - c. **Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for Sheriff's employee to carry over 56 hours of unused vacation hours earned in 2016-2017 to be used by December 10, 2017.**
 - d. **Consideration and possible action to approve Right-of-Way installation by Fayette Electric Cooperative, Inc on Star Hill Road in Precinct 2.**
 - e. **Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for Road and Bridge Precinct 4 employee to carry over 8 hours of unused vacation hours earned in 2016-2017 to be used by October 31, 2017.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-265

7. **Discussion on tractor for Precinct 1 and action as appropriate.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-266

8. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Grant to the National Rifle Association to purchase ammunition, 9mm, .40 caliber and .45 ACP for range practice for all state licensed peace officers, employed by the Austin County Sheriff's Office.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #17-267

9. **Consideration and possible action to approve a Grant to the Texas Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division to purchase Rifle Resistant Plates for Sheriff's Office.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-268

10. **Discussion on executed Interlocal Agreement between Austin County and Harris County allowing the use of Harris County purchasing contracts and action as appropriate.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, withdrawn.

No action. Review of Harris County purchasing contracts.

11. **Consideration and possible action to sign interlocal agreements as budgeted to serve Austin County citizens:**
- a. **Combined Community Action**
 - b. **Austin County Soil and Water Conservation District**
 - c. **Youth and Family Services**
 - d. **Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.**
 - e. **Helping One Another – Meals on Wheels**
 - f. **The Virgil and Josephine Gordon Memorial Library**
 - g. **Focusing Families**
 - h. **Austin County Fire Fighters Association**
 - i. **Texana Center for behavioral healthcare & developmental disability services**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #17-269

12. **Discussion and possible action to go out for bids for Liability and Workers Comp Insurance.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-270

13. Discussion and action to purchase seven (7) Battery Powered Hydraulic Ambulance Cots and Load/Fastener Systems.

Stryker bid for 5 years at 0% interest.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-271

14. Consideration and possible action to approve 2017-2018 time sheet calendar for
a. **Sunday – Saturday**
b. **Saturday – Friday**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Lamp, opposed.
Order #17-272

15. Discussion regarding Mold Remediation at Austin County Jail and action as appropriate.

No action.

16. Discussion regarding replacing copier in District Clerk's Office with a Ricoh MP3555SPDF and action as appropriate.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-273

17. Discussion on weather related items and action as appropriate.

No action.

18. Discussion on Aerial Spraying and action as appropriate.

No action.

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

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #17-274

- b. **Budget Amendments**
- c. **County Auditor's**

Everyone still within their budget per Billy Doherty, Auditor.

- d. **County Treasurer**
 - i. **Payroll and Escrow Report**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-275*

- 20. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - a. **District Court – August 2017**
 - b. **Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 & 3 – August 2017**
 - c. **On-Site Sewage Facility – August 2017**
 - d. **Constable, Precinct 2 & 3 – August 2017**
 - e. **Jail Population Report – August 2017**
 - f. **Austin County Library System – August 2017**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #17-276*

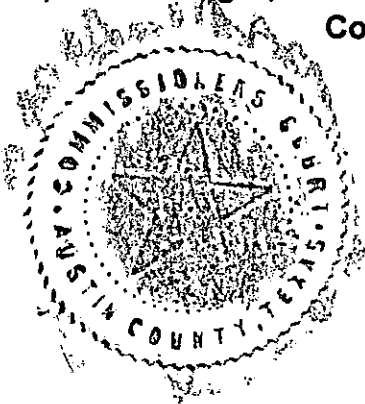
- 21. **Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #17-277*

Court adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

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

I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the minutes of the Commissioners Court proceedings for September 11, 2017.



Date: September 21, 2017

Carrie Gregor

**Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Austin County, Texas
By: Andrea Cardenas, Deputy**

FILED

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COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS