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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

May 11, 2020, 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
Chip Reed, 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 Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-162*

1. **Proclamations and Special Recognitions.**
2. **Petitions or Requests from the Public.**
3. **Perdue Brandon Collection Report Presentation.**

Michael Darlow (Perdue Brandon) presented collection report to the Court.

4. **Discussion regarding modifying Court Order 12-28 - agreement between Austin County and property owner.**

Christopher Webb (Bill Johnson & Associates Real Estate) spoke on behalf of William Kellner with regard to obtaining legal access to property on FM 1458.

Nullify agreement between Austin County and Habermacher Land.

Motion to Nullify: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0).

Commissioner Reed abstained.

Order #20-163

5. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.

Per Kenneth Burns (Burns Architect), concrete was poured at EMS site on Friday morning. Foundation is down. Monthly construction meeting is scheduled Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Jail and Sheriff's Office has foundation. There was a void found in the slab. Void will be filled with concrete.

There was a problem with the soil at the Justice Center site. Cost of the solution is \$63,931.56.

Gaeke Construction along with Kenneth Burns submitted a Change Order to Gaeke's contract in the amount of \$63,931.56.

Pay bill with change order.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-1).

Commissioner Rinn opposed.

Order #20-164

Pay invoices from Bellville Butane (\$2,055.20) and Tanner Vacha (\$1,100).

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).

Order #20-165

6. Discussion regarding Generators at EMS and tower site and action as appropriate.

T-1 lines are becoming obsolete. Communications team is looking into different options. Will return to Court.

Pay City of Sealy (\$1,229.19) to hook up natural gas to generator for Sealy EMS.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).

Order #20-166

- 7. Consideration and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide a 4 +/- acre tract from a 14.457 acre tract on Bluebonnet Road, Precinct 2.**

Approve as presented.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-167

- 8. Consideration and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide a 4.19 +/- acre tract from a 39.68 acre tract on New Wehdem Road, Precinct 2.**

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-168

- 9. Discussion regarding 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program and action as appropriate**

Since North Chesley is not on County Road list, Commissioners considered West Ueckert, Skull Creek, Coshatte, Pyka, and Bartlett Roads.

Use TIFT grant for Bartlett Road.

Motion to Repair: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-169

- 10. Discussion designating an engineer service provider to complete application and project related engineering services for the GLO CDBG-MIT 2015, 2016 and Hurricane Harvey State Mitigation Competition Grants and action as appropriate.**

Award to Wilson Engineering and team.

Motion to Designate: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-170

- 11. Discussion and action authorizing County Judge to sign donation deed paperwork regarding property on FM 1094 to TxDOT.**

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Rinn opposed.
Order #20-171

- 12. Discussion regarding purchase of Water Truck for Pct 1 and action as appropriate.**

Purchase water truck for \$43,000 from Heavy Equipment Rentals of Texas

Motion to Purchase: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-172

- 13. Discussion regarding bucket truck repair and action as appropriate.**

No action.

- 14. Discussion regarding upgrade of STW Server to cloud based and action as appropriate.**

Per Billy Doherty, County needs to upgrade server in place or go Cloud based. Will come back to Court with cost.

No action.

- 15. Consideration and action to accept resignation from Delwin Rettig, A.C.E.C.D.**

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-173

Item #2 continued.

Eddie Cruz addressed the Court with concerns about Country Dome Suites on Lynn Road.

- 16. 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. **March 27, 2020**
- b. **Consideration and action to accept a \$200.00 special donation to the Austin County EMS per Local Government Code 81.032.**
- c. **Consideration and action to authorize right-of-way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Track Road, Precinct 2**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-174

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

- a. **Payment of Claims**

Total = \$486,419.35

Fund 114 – Total = \$856,197.43

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-175

- b. Budget Amendments**
- c. County Auditor's Review of finances**

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor), 48% of the budget remaining. Doing good.

- d. County Treasurer**
 - i. Payroll and Escrow Report Payroll & Escrow Report**
 - 1. 05.08.2020**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-176

- 18. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - a. District Court – April 2020**
 - b. County Court – April 2020**
 - c. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 – April 2020**
 - d. Jail Population – April 2020**
 - e. On-Site Sewage Facility – April 2020**
 - f. Library System – April 2020**

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-177

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

- 1 Contract Issue (This in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.087).**

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

No action.

- 20. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

Commissioner Reed requested a budget workshop for the upcoming budget.

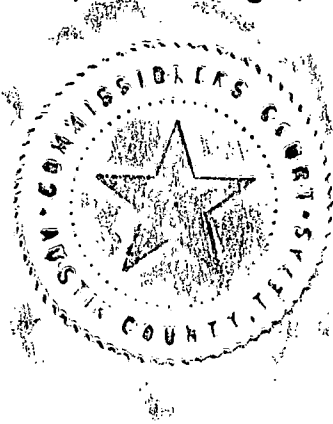
Per Kenneth Burns (Burns Architect), the communication team will get estimates for equipment for County's communication needs.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-178

Court adjourned at 11:37 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 May 11, 2020.



Date: May 15, 2020
Carrie Gregor
Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Austin County, Texas
By: Andrea Cardenas, Deputy

FILED

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Carrie Gregor
COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS