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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**December 20, 2019**, 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  
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 Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-459**

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

None.

**2. Action as appropriate regarding possible changes to herbicide regulations in Austin County**

Change #2 dates to March 2<sup>nd</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Add #3 to read: A permit is required for the application of regulated herbicides between the dates of March 2<sup>nd</sup> - October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

Add #4 to read: A permit is not required for the application of the regulated herbicides between the dates of October 2<sup>nd</sup> – March 1<sup>st</sup> of the following year.

*Motion to Change: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-460**

- 3. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.**

Per Commissioner Reed, the fence is finished in Precinct 4.

- 4. Discussion regarding Purchase of a CAT 420F2 Backhoe Loader, Pct 2, and action as appropriate.**

Per Commissioner Rinn, this will replace an old Backhoe.

*Motion to Purchase: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-461**

- 5. Discussion and action ratify agreement w/ Gessner Engineering for Newberg Rd Project, Pct 2.**

*Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-462**

- 6. Discussion regarding purchase of 2000 Gallon Water Tank, Pct 2, and action as appropriate**

Not to exceed \$10,480.00

*Motion to Purchase: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-463**

- 7. Discussion regarding the purchase of a 2019 Ford F150 4X2, Pct 1, and action as appropriate**

Not to exceed \$22,815.76

*Motion to Purchase: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-464**

8. **Consideration and action regarding Emergency Communication District appointments(s).**

Delwin Rettig nominated for appointment.

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

**Order #19-465**

9. **Discussion and action to authorize County Judge to sign release of Road Bonus from Enterprise Pipeline (PumpCo, Strike)**

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

**Order #19-466**

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. **December 09, 2019**
- b. **Consideration and action to reappoint representatives to the Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District:**
  - i. **Milton Beckendorff- Representing Agricultural Interests**
  - ii. **Phillip Fairchild – Representing Industrial Interests**
- c. **Consideration and action to declare the following the following items as surplus:**
  - i. **Precinct 1**
    - 1. **Fuel Tank**
    - 2. **Oil Tank Trailer**
    - 3. **1996 Ford F250**
    - 4. **Misc Items**
  - ii. **Precinct 4**
    - 1. **CAT Tractor Scraper 621B**
    - 2. **Grove Crane**
    - 3. **1988 Mack Truck (Precinct 3 purchased)**
    - 4. **Asphalt Trailer**
    - 5. **Water Trailer (Precinct 3 purchased)**
    - 6. **Dump Trailer**
    - 7. **1993 Ford F350**
    - 8. **2003 Ford F350**
    - 9. **John Deere Loader Attachment**
    - 10. **Misc items**
- d. **Consideration and action to reappoint Representatives to the Emergency Services District Board:**
  - i. **ESD 1 Board**
    - 1. **Ray Chislett**
    - 2. **Kim Silver**
    - 3. **Vivian Williams**

- ii. **ESD 2 Board**
      - 1. Daniel (Danny) Atwood
      - 2. James Toman
      - 3. Charles Verm
    - iii. **ESD 3 Board**
      - 1. John Alford
      - 2. Dennis Diggs
      - 3. Debbie Heckmann
  - e. **Consideration and action to authorize interlocal agreement for street maintenance between:**
    - i. Austin County, Precinct 2 and the City of Industry
    - ii. Austin County, Precinct 3 and the City of Sealy
    - iii. Austin County, Precinct 4 and the City of Sealy
    - iv. Austin County, Precinct 3 and the Town of San Felipe
    - v. Austin County, Precinct 4 and the Town of San Felipe
    - vi. Austin County, Precinct 4 and the City of Wallis
    - vii. Austin County, Precinct 4 and the City of Brazos County
  - f. **Consideration and action to Reappoint Randy Reichardt to Combined Community Action Board for 1 year term.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).  
Order #19-467*

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

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).  
Order #19-468*

- b. **Budget Amendments**

See supporting documents.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).  
Order #19-469*

- c. **County Auditor's Review of Finances**

Per County Auditor, first quarter looks good.

12. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**  
a. **Extension Activity Report – November 2019**  
i. CEA - AG  
ii. CEA - FCH

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-470**

**ADDENDUM TO ACTION AGENDA**

1. **Discussion regarding the purchase of a new ambulance and action as appropriate.**

Walter Morrow, Chief of Austin County EMS, recommends Appell Ford Brenham for the F350 4X2 chassis (\$41,059.90,) and the module Frazier (\$141,960.00). Estimated time for completion 14-16 weeks, sometime between July – August, 2020.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-471**

13. **Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

January 1<sup>st</sup> meeting cancelled.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #19-472**

Court adjourned at 9:45 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 December 20, 2019.

Date: Dec 30, 2019

Carrie Gregor

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy



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