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## **Commissioners Court Minutes**

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October 13, 2014, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Basement 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 Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #14-377

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions.
  - a. Colonial Texas Heritage Day Proclamation

Presentation given by Brian McAuley.

- b. Czech Heritage Month
- c. Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Presentation given by Kathy Mathis.

- e. German American Month
- f. Chamber of Commerce Week
- 2. Petitions or Request from the Public.

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge, addressed an email from Commissioner Turner.

3. Update by Colorado Valley Transit.

Presentation given by Claudia Wicks.

- 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 September 15, 2014
  - b. Consideration and possible action to authorize agreement for temporary access between Lindemann Holdings, c/o James Lindemann and Austin County Precinct 2 to clean ditch and improve drainage.
  - c. Consideration and possible action to authorize agreement for temporary access between Dwayne Schulz and Austin County Precinct 2 to clean ditch and improve drainage.
  - d. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of Commissioners Court Binder out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$173.63.
  - e. Consideration and possible action to accept Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture report for:
    - i. Travis Koehn, District Attorney
    - ii. Virgil Price, Constable, Precinct 1
    - iii. Dave Schulz, Constable, Precinct 2
    - iv. Ronnie Griffin, Constable, Precinct 3

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #14-378** 

6. Consideration and possible action to authorize County Judge to release Bonds No. 8349 and 8337 from Principal Halcon Energy Properties, Inc. to Austin County dated 7/31/12 and 8/22/12, and authorize County Judge to sign any supporting documentation.

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

Order #14-379

7. Consideration and possible action to authorize shelving for Knox Library for an amount not to exceed \$1,045 out of 115-010-0000 special Knox Library account.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0). Order #14-380

- 8. Consideration and possible action to authorize the following payments in conjunction with Sealy Chamber of Commerce / Convention Visitors Bureau out of Economic Development Capital Credit 101-128-4888 for partial payments:
  - a. New Interstate 10 sign (Cross promotion Alamo, Texas Independence Trail & San Felipe de Austin SHS) for an amount not to exceed \$500.00
  - b. Annual Membership in Texas Independence Trail for an amount not to exceed \$500.00
  - c. Support to promote and advertise the (Stephen F. Austin State Park and San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site) for an amount not to exceed \$500.00

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #14-381

9. Consideration and possible action to authorize Meal Allowance for Sheriff *l* law enforcement overnight transports.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #14-382

10. Consideration and possible action to authorize \$200 clothing allowance per quarter for law enforcement investigators as plain clothes officers.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-383** 

11. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of computers for environmental enforcement officer and jail captain for an amount not to exceed \$1,240.60 each.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-384** 

12. Discussion regarding request for supporting equipment for environmental enforcement position and action as appropriate.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #14-385 13. Consideration and possible to authorize Finance Contract by and between Austin County and Government Capital Corporation for the purpose of procurement of vehicle for environmental enforcement officer and related equipment.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-386** 

14. Consideration and possible action to appoint Randy Reichardt to the Texana Board representing Austin and Colorado Counties.

Motion to Appoint: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #14-387

15. Consideration and possible action to adopt Proclamation by the Commissioners Court of Austin County, Texas, expressing appreciation to the Texas Legislature, the Governor of Texas, the Texas Transportation Commission, and the Texas Department of Transportation for their creation and support of the County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant program.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #14-388

16. Consideration and possible action to authorize contract for services for Austin County Veterans Service Officer.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-389** 

17. Consideration and possible action to authorize County Judge to sign documentation for the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC) reimbursements for cost incurred in participating in the Interlibrary Loan program.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #14-390

18. Consideration and possible action to make corrections and clarify order adopting annual compensation for the 2014-15 Fiscal Year as indicated.

"Annual" added into the first sentence.

Hourly wage of entry level employees added.

County Clerk Deputy #5, not to exceed amount changed to \$30,369. Correct typo of \$33,069.

If annual compensation is \$40,000 or less you are eligible for a 3% raise, if annual compensation is \$40,001 or more you are eligible for a \$1,200 raise. The department head can give them what they feel they deserve.

Hourly pay as well as overtime rate and hours worked per week added to the Sheriff – Communications – Dept. 113.

Clarified 6 hours overtime per pay period for Communication Tech/Communications 131.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #14-391

- 19. Budget and Financial Claims action as appropriate.
  - a. Payment of Claims

Add \$1008.13 to Payment of Claims for Colorado County Oil for 315 gallons of Diesel, Precinct 3.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #14-392

b. Budget Amendments allocating unappropriated funds for any increases or decreases in line items

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #14-393

- c. County Auditor's review of finances
- d. County Treasurer review of finances
  - i. Austin County Payroll & Escrow Report Bank Statement
- 20. Written end-of-month reports submitted by County Offices.
  - a. Constable, Precincts 2 & 3 September 2014
  - b. Austin County Jail Population Report September 2014
  - c. Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1, 3 & 4 September 2014
  - d. 155<sup>th</sup> District Court Activity August 2014
  - e. On-Site Sewage Facility Activity September 2014
  - f. Austin County Library System September 2014

## 21. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

None.

Court Adjourned at 10:30 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 October 13, 2014.

Date: 10vember 3, 2014

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk Clerk of Commissioners Court

**Austin County, Texas** 

By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy

