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Commissioners Court Minutes

December 8, 2014, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court 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

Amend Item #3 to read preliminary and final.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #14-426

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions.**
 - a. Retirement Plaque – Dennis King, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4
 - b. Retirement Plaque – Anna Garcia

Commissioner Douglas King, presented Dennis King, Justice of the Peace with his retirement plaque.

Anna Garcia was not in attendance.

- 2. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**

None.

3. Consideration and possible action to approve preliminary plat of London Addition in Precinct 2.

Modified to be the preliminary/final plat contingent on Charles Kalkomey's final approval that fees are paid and all things on the check list for tax certificates are complete.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).
Order #14-427

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

i. October 27, 2014

Item #6 omit "the"

Item #15 replace band with ban

Item #14 reword to say "Housing while inmates are in Fort Bend County jail to come from Salary Jailers"

Item #12 Billy Doherty is the contracted accountant for Auditor's office, change better to "further"

ii. November 10, 2014

Item #5e correct Precinct

Item #14 make Deputy's plural, change Grimmer to Germer, remove space from lawsuit

iii. November 17, 2014

Item #4 change "order" to motion

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #14-428

b. Consideration and possible action to authorize contract and payment for preventive maintenance and service agreement with Southwest Solutions Group out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$1,084.62.

c. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of Commissioners Court Binder out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$189.91.

d. Consideration and possible action to appoint Lynne Anderson to the Child Protective Service Board.

- e. **Consideration and possible action to authorize Indigent Defense Contracts with Calvin Garvie, John Harle and Stephen Longoria for a one year term.**

Delay any action due to what's in the budget and what's in the contract.

Motion to Delay: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-429

- f. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance Austin County Precinct 2 and City of Industry.**
- g. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 3 and City of Sealy.**
- h. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 4 and City of Sealy.**
- i. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 3 and Town of San Felipe.**
- j. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 4 and Town of San Felipe.**
- k. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 4 and City of Wallis.**
- l. **Consideration and possible action for interlocal agreement for street maintenance between Austin County Precinct 4 and Brazos Country.**
- m. **Consideration and possible action to adopt Austin County Investment Policy for 2014-2015.**
- n. **Consideration and possible action to authorize resolution designating County Treasurer as County Investment Officer.**
- o. **Consideration and possible action to reappoint Randy Reichardt to Combined Community Action for a one year term.**
- p. **Consideration and possible action to reappoint Commissioners for Drainage District #1 for a two year term.**
 - i. **Frank Monk**
 - ii. **Gordon Goebel**
 - iii. **Andrew Sowa**
- q. **Consideration and possible action to reappoint Linda Toman to Austin County Emergency Communications District for a two year term.**
- r. **Consideration and possible action to appoint Commissioners for Emergency Services District #1 for a two year term.**
 - i. **Chris Haczynski**
- s. **Consideration and possible action to appoint Commissioners for Emergency Services District #2 for a two year term.**
 - i. **Johnetta Scheh**
 - ii. **Laurie Michalke**
- t. **Consideration and possible action to appoint Commissioners for Emergency Services District #3 for a two year term.**

- i. Dennis Kulhanek
- ii. Jennifer Zurovec
- iii. Tony Salazar
- u. Consideration and possible action to authorize Tim Lapham and Randy Reichardt, Alternate as representatives to the Houston-Galveston Area Council 2015 General Assembly and Board of Directors.
- v. Consideration and possible action to accept donation of \$300.00 to the Austin County Sheriff's Department from All Mini Storage Sealy per Local Government Code 81.032.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-430

- 6. Consideration and possible action to declare a New Holland Tractor Model TS100 from Precinct 4 as surplus for auction.

Motion to Declare: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-431

- 7. Consideration and possible action to authorize contract between Gulf Coast Trades Center and Austin County for juvenile residential services.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-432

- 8. Discussion regarding installation of updated signage at Knox Library out of Special Donations and action as appropriate.

Sign needs to be replaced. Look into an electronic version to also be used as a community board. Pay out of special donations. Commissioner King will act as liaison to get the process started.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-433

- 9. Consideration and possible action to approve modification of room addition to Austin County Expo and Convention Center and acceptance of donation.

Austin County Fair Association would like to add a room to Expo center. The County will accept all donations to pass on to the fair.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #14-434

- 10. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of a computer for County Judge's Office out of capital outlay.

Invoice already approved \$1,297.90

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).

Order #14-435

11. Consideration and possible action to adopt resolution to reduce speed limit on North Granville to 30 mph.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).

Order #14-436

12. Discussion regarding resolution to Texas Association of Counties optional workers' compensation coverage and action as appropriate.

Elected Officials, volunteer groups and volunteers for the Sheriff's Department are to be covered under workers' compensation. Leave off Volunteer Fire Firefighters because they are already covered.

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

Order #14-437

13. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.

a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).

Order #14-438

b. Budget Amendments

c. County Auditor's review of finances

d. County Treasurer review of finances

i. Payroll & Escrow Report

ii. August 2014 Reconciled Report

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

Order #14-439

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

a. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, 3 & 4 – November 2014

b. Constable, Precinct 2 & 3 – November 2014

c. 155th District Court Activity – November 2014

d. Austin County Jail Population Report – November 2014

e. On-Site Sewage Facility – November 2014

f. Austin County Library System – November 2014

g. Education Certificate for 2014 – Bryan Haevischer, Treasurer

Court recessed 10:05 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

1. Personnel Matters regarding County Judge's Office. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.074).
2. Personnel Matters regarding EMS. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.074).

Court reconvened 11:02 a.m.

15. Action as appropriate on Executive Session

Authorize Judge Bilski to post notice to fill the vacancy for the County Judge and Commissioner Assistant internally and in the paper.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).
Order #14-440*

16. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

Per Judge Bilksi there will be a special meeting December 15th to canvas votes.

Court adjourned 11:04 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 December 8, 2014.

Date: December 31, 2014

Rebecca Thomas

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

