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Commissioners Court Minutes

November 23, 2015, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Tim Lapham, 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 Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). **Order #15-470**

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions.
 - a) Retirement Plaque-Betty Jez

Court recognized 33 years of service as County Auditor.

2. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Commissioner Reichardt suggested people be careful burning.

After reading a letter from a constituent, Commissioner Turner praised his workers for helping within the community.

3. Presentation by Texas AgriLIFE Extension – FCS interpretation of programs.

Michelle Allen and Maria Alverez gave a presentation with regard to the FCS program and women's health issues.

4. Consideration and possible action to approve the final plat of Oxford Estates in Precinct 4.

A letter has been added to the plat stating Lot 3 must have access before it can be sold.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). **Order #15-471**

5. Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 3 ½ acres out of 15.75 acres on Skull Creek Road in Precinct 2.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). **Order #15-472**

6. Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 4.000 acres out of 43.041 acres on FM 1094 in Precinct 1.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-473

7. Discussion and possible action on Enterprise Pipeline Project.

Enterprise Pipeline would like to change the depth requirements for the pipe to be laid in Precincts 1, 2, and 3.

Commissioners want to look into this further before making a decision.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). **Order #15-474**

- 8. 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) Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Carrie Gregor, County Clerk, to be held January 18-21, 2016 in San Marcos, Texas.

- b) Consideration and possible action to authorize agreement for temporary access between Greg Buenger and Austin County Precinct 2 to clean ditch and improve drainage.
- c) Consideration and possible action to approve Right-of-Way installation by San Bernard Electric Cooperative, Inc on Red Bird Lane in Precinct 2.
- d) Consideration and possible action to accept a donation to the Austin County Sheriff's Department per Local Government Code 81.032.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #15-475**

- 9. Sheriff Activity Report October 2015
- 10. Consideration and possible action to approve Service Maintenance Agreement with Argyle Security Group Inc., for Austin County Sheriff's Department.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #15-476**

11. Discussion and possible action on election worker pay issue.

Need time sheets from election workers.

12. Consideration and possible action to purchase 14 (14) Poll Pad Units and Software for Election Department.

Marcus Pena was not in attendance.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). **Order #15-477**

- 13. Budgetary and Financial Claims action as appropriate.
 - a) Payment of Claims

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

Order #15-478

b) Budget Amendments

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-479

c) County Auditor's review of finances

None.

d) County Treasurer

i. Payroll & Escrow Reports

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-480

- 14. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.
 - a) Constable, Precinct 4 October 2015
 - b) Austin County Library System October 2015
 - c) Tax Assessor-Collector October 2015
 - d) County Court October 2015
 - e) Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 October 2015

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-481

Court recessed 10:25 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:57 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

- 1. Discussion regarding real estate. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.072).
- 2. Discussion regarding Economic Development Negotiations. (This is accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.087).
- 15. Action as appropriate on Executive Session.

Item #1 no action.

Item #2, approve Prasek's tax abatement, keeping it the same rate as Sealy's.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0). **Order #15-482**

16. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

No action.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-483

Court adjourned 11:15 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 November 23, 2015.

Date:

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy

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Carrie Gregor
COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS