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**Commissioners Court Minutes**

**December 27, 2016** 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  
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 King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-422*

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

None.

**2. Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 10 acres from 30.78 acres tract on Cougar Rd in Precinct 4.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-423*

3. **Consideration and possible action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 2.5 + acres from 4.992 acres on FM 2187 in Precinct 3.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-424*

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

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-425*

5. **Discussion regarding Flex Spending Account and action as appropriate.**

Get written legal opinion on how to distribute funds.

*Motion to Table: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichart, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-426*

6. **Discussion and possible action to authorize reassignment of the 2008 Chevrolet C-4500 from EMS remount program to Precinct 1.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-427*

7. **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 for Bryan Haevischer, County Treasurer to be held April 17 – 20, 2017 in Cedar Creek, Texas.**
  - b. **Consideration and possible action to approve applications for required schooling reimbursement for V.G. Young Institute's School for County Judge and Commissioners to be held February 8 – 10, 2017 in Austin, Texas.**
    - i. **Tim Lapham**
    - ii. **Mark Lamp**
    - iii. **Bobby Rinn**
    - iv. **Randy Reichardt**
    - v. **Douglas King**
  - c. **Consideration and possible action to reappoint Linda Toman to Austin County Emergency Communications District for a two year term.**

- d. **Consideration and possible action to appoint Philip Fairchild to fill unexpired term for the Bluebonnet Groundwater District Board.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #16-428**

8. **Discussion regarding FEMA grant to develop a Hazard Mitigation plan and action as appropriate.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #16-429**

9. **Sheriff Activity Report – November 2016**

10. **Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.**

- a. **Payment of Claims**

Correction pg 37: Nelm Company should read \$31.74 instead of \$2.62. Total Payment of Claims \$400,232.94.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #16-430**

- b. **Budget Amendments**
- c. **County Auditor's**

Per Billy Doherty, County Auditor, we had to use one of our CDs, but other than that looking good.

- d. **County Treasurer**
  - i. **Payroll and Escrow – Election Workers**
  - ii. **Payroll and Escrow Report**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #16-431**

11. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**

- a. **District Court – November 2016**
- b. **Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 & 4 – November 2016**
- c. **County Court – November 2016**
- d. **Tax Assessor-Collector – November 2016**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #16-432**

Court recessed 9:37 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

1. Discussion regarding Economic Development Negotiations. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.087).

Court reconvened 9:51 a.m.

**12. Action as appropriate on Executive Session**

Suspend Prasek's abatement agreement to start January 1, 2018 instead of January 1, 2017.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-433*

**13. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0).  
Order #16-434*

Court adjourned 9:55 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 27, 2016.



Date: January 10, 2017

Carrie Gregor

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioners Court  
Austin County, Texas  
By: Andrea Cardenas, Deputy

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