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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

April 27, 2020, 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
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 Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-147*

1. **Proclamations and Special Recognitions.**
2. **Petitions or Requests from the Public.**
3. **Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.**

Per Kenneth Burns (Burns Architecture), lots of activity now that Justice Center has the go ahead. EMS project is going good. Concrete will be poured today.

Radio tower switching to tower on the hill. Two quotes received from Texas Communications (\$19,050) and Starbrite (\$19,565).

Fiber Connection – Fiber Converter boxes quotes from Texas Communications (\$2,166.36). Audio over fiber optic and miscellaneous networking cable connector (\$830.32).

Quote for HP Procrue Network Switch – Dispatch Project (\$412) from Texas Communications.

10. Discussion regarding Generators and tower site and action as appropriate.

Quotes from Tanner Vacha – no concrete (\$3,800) and Gaeke Construction – with concrete (\$2,364).

Approve Gaeke Construction for concrete slabs for generator pad and propane tank at tower site for \$2,364.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-148

Pay from Capital Outlay – 127 – Major Repairs as a separate project.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-149

Item #3 continued.

Accept quote from Texas Communications for \$19,050 for Labor, Telomack for SM Fiber/Cat 6 Ties to Radio Tower \$6,341, Texas Communications Fiber Converter Boxes \$2,166.36 and Audio Converter Boxes \$830.32, not to exceed \$28,500.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Rinn opposed.*
Order #20-150

4. Discussion and action regarding land agreements with Texas Department of Transportation.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-151

5. Discussion regarding clothing allowance for 2 additional deputies and action as appropriate.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-152

6. Consideration and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide a 5 +/- acre tract from a 89.7803 acre tract on Svoboda Road, Precinct 4.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-153

7. **Authorization to withhold \$162,103.51 from payments to General Fund from Tax Assessor/Collector to offset past deficiencies.**

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-154

8. **Discussion regarding 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program and action as appropriate**

North Chesley is not on the County Road List.

Need a back up road for grant. Grant deadline is May 27.

9. **Discussion on CDBG-MIT Engineering Services qualifications and action as appropriate.**

Two bids received: Doucet & Associates, Inc. and Wilson Engineering Co., PLLC.

11. **Discussion and action regarding COVID 19 time accounting.**

Pay employee 6.75 additional COVID-19 hours.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-155

12. **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. **March 23, 2020**
 - b. **Consideration and action to accept a \$1,500.00 special donation to the Austin County Sheriff's Office per Local Government Code 81.032.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-156

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

Add State fines and fees \$554.04 and Texas Comptroller \$5,365.71 for grand total of \$398,092.18.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-157

Add invoice from Gessner – \$2,814.75 to Infrastructure.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-158*

- b. **Budget Amendments**
- c. **County Auditor's Review of finances**

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor), 52% of the budget remaining. Doing good.

- d. **County Treasurer**
 - i. **Payroll and Escrow Report Payroll & Escrow Report**
 - 1. **04.24.2020**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-159*

- 14. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - i. **Constable, Precinct 4 – March 2020**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-160*

- 15. **Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-161*

Court adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

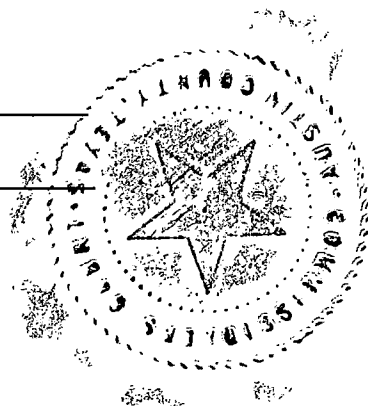
**ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS
PROVIDED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the minutes of the Commissioners
Court proceedings for April 27, 2020.**

Date: May 6, 2020

Carrie Gregor

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



FILED

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