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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**October 25, 2021** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Basement 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  
Leroy Cerny, 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**

Remove #12.

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-370**

- 1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**
- 2. Semiannual collection report presentation by Leslie Schkade - Perdue Brandon.**

Leslie Schkade (Perdue Brandon) presented collection to report.

- 3. Open bid proposals for house (to be moved) located at 856 West Main Street, Bellville, Texas, and action as appropriate.**

One bid received from Nicole Davis for \$10,000

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-371**

**4. Open bid proposals for Kulow Road Bridge Project, Pct. 3 and action as appropriate.**

Two bids received. 304 Construction LLC for \$1,295,000 and Wakefield Bridge Inc for \$625,000.

Commissioner Cerny will review bids.

No action.

**5. Discussion regarding 2020 population and demographics census data and action as appropriate.**

No action

**6. Discussion regarding F.Y. 2021-2022 Compensation Order and action as appropriate.**

Changes made to Compensation Order are under Road and Bridge payment schedule. Made all Class A operator and Class B operator pay match throughout the Order. Added the Chemical Applicator rate at \$24.71. Under Development Office, moved \$8 from Engineer position to Development Coordinator and Planning and Development Officer positions.

Per Judge Lapham, can advertise Engineer position on website.

Approve Compensation Order as presented.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cerny, passed (3-1).*

*Commissioner Rinn opposed.*

**Order #21-372**

**7. Discussion regarding Burns Architecture, LLC Part One / Amendment 8 (Bellville, Wallis, and Industry EMS Stations) and action as appropriate.**

Approve Amendment 8.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Cerny, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*

**Order #21-373**

**8. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.**

Per Commissioner Lamp, no confirmation from the State when they will release the land.

Commissioners Reed and Rinn met electrician with regard to Wendt Street building. Charlie Tallerine gave bid of \$10,000 to only repair lights that require it. He will replace the lenses for the lights and will wire plugs in the Conference Room.

Per Commissioner Lamp, Roy (Emergency Management) got a preliminary inspection report. Commissioner Lamp has a generator that might be used for Wendt Street Building.

Charlie Tallerine's initial bid is for \$15,000 which includes inspecting all 175 lights in the Wendt Street Building, replacing/repairing any lights needing repair/replacing, and wiring plugs in Conference Room.

Approve not to exceed \$15,000 for Charlie Tallerine to inspect, repair and/or replace 175 lights and wire plugs for Conference Room.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-374**

Per Commissioner Lamp, have Charlie Tallerine inspect generator as well.

Per Commissioner Reed, received a bid to climatize the upstairs of Wendt Street building \$30,000. This would be to put insulation between ceiling and roof.

**9. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding road construction projects.**

Per Commissioner Reed, still working on 5 roads. Doing prime seal and mail boxes. Adding asphalt to Mixville and Harrison Roads. Trying to put some gravel on Beckendorff Road to keep it going.

Per Commissioner Cerny, doing overlay on Plum Creek and Track Roads to patch up some of the bad spots. Will get some asphalt before the winter sets in. Possibly haul some gravel on Meyer and Frazier Roads.

Per Commissioner Rinn, will finish up overlaying on Walnut Street. On bridge projects, still working on donation deeds for the Shelby bridge project.

Per Commissioner Lamp, working in Racoon Bend area to repair roads.

**10. Discussion regarding Weigh Station Building and action as appropriate.**

Per Commissioner Reed, received two quotes for building at Weigh Station building. One for a wooden structure for \$7,890 and the other for a concrete structure for \$56,538.

No action.

**11. Presentation of Stop Loss renewal from Tokyo Marine and action as appropriate.**

Scott Wallace (Wallace Insurance) presented the Stop Loss renewal from Tokyo Marine. Stop Loss insurance increased by 9.7%

Choose Option 1 with \$100,000 deductible with Tokyo Marine.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-375**

- 13. Discussion regarding 2 new Frazer Ambulance bodies and action as appropriate.**

Increase of \$2,8085 over last year.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-376**

- 14. Discussion and action to accept Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of \$29,778.05 from the Texas Office of the Governor.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-377**

- 15. 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. October 11, 2021**
  - b. Consideration and action to accept special donations to Austin County Sheriff's Office per Local Government Code 81.032:**
    - i. \$25,000.00**
    - ii. \$100.00**
  - c. Consideration and action to ratify Right-Of-Way installation by Industry Telephone on Skalak Road, Pct. 2.**
  - d. Consideration and action to approve required schooling applications for Travis Koehn, District Attorney to attend Elected Prosecutor Conference to be held December 1, 2021 - December 3, 2021 at Dallas/Rockwall**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-378**

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

Total = \$798,123.42

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-379**

**b. Fund Transfers**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-380**

16a. continued.

Pay invoice from OpenGov for \$39,877.00 from 101-55758-127.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-381**

**c. Budget Amendments**

Pull 166. Approve 160 – 165 and 167 – 207 for 2021 fiscal year.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-382**

Approve 2-7 for 2022 fiscal year.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-383**

**d. County Auditor's Review of finances**

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor) so far good.

**e. County Treasurer**

**i. Payroll and Escrow Report - 10.22.2021**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-384**

**ii. Treasurers Report- September 2021**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-385**

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

**a. District Court – September 2021**

**b. County Court – September 2021**

**c. Constable, Pct. 4 – September 2021**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-386**

Court recessed at 11:40 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:**

- 1. Personnel Matter – EMS**

Court reconvened at 12:44 p.m.

- 18. Action as appropriate on Executive Session.**

No action.

- 19. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).  
Order #21-387*

Court adjourned at 12:45 p.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 October 25, 2021.**



Date: November 2, 2021

Carrie Gregor

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

**FILED**

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