



CARRIE GREGOR
AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

On **June 25, 2012** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge
David Ottmer, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Cyndi Gomez, Deputy County Clerk

Opening – 8:15 a.m.

Call to Order
Invocation
Pledges of Allegiance
Certification of Quorum

Consideration/Adoption of Agenda

Flexibility to review agenda #17 upon arrival of Auditor from Beyer and Company.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-219

1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions

a. Lightning Safety Awareness Week

2. Petitions or Requests from the Public

None.

3. Consideration and possible action to adopt Consent Agenda Format

See agenda #4.

4. **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 authorize agreement for temporary access between Marilyn Dierking and Austin County Precinct 2 to clean ditch and improve drainage**
 - b. **Consideration and possible action to approve Right-of-Way installation by San Bernard Electric Cooperative, Inc. on Hoppe Sister Road in Precinct 2**
 - c. **Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of official record binders out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$150.02**
 - d. **Consideration and possible action to authorize agreement between the Austin County Voter Registrar / Election Department and Austin County Courthouse for use of Basement Meeting Room for the purpose of conducting the Democratic & Republican Primary Run-Off elections on July 31, 2012**
 - e. **Consideration and possible action to ratify the July 31, 2012 Primary Run-Off Polling Locations for the Republican and Democratic parties**
 - f. **Consideration and possible action to authorize the closure of Zettel Road at Draw during bridge construction, contract letting in September 2012**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-220*

5. **Discussion regarding Special Road Use Indemnity Agreement and Permit to use public road and bridges for vehicles with gross weights greater than 30,000 pounds, or weight greater than 10,000 pounds on any one axle, and Pipeline Agreement regarding all work along right of way and under county roads in Austin County, and action as appropriate**

J. R. Minyard from the Sheriff's Department discussed bonding of trucking companies for use of county roads.

Per Commissioner Ottmer, discontinue dispatched road permits and formulate a written permit for use of county roads.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-221*

Per Judge Bilski, add "with additional permits" and authorize any consultation with Jones & Carter.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-222

6. Consideration and possible action to authorize seismograph operations on named Austin County roads

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-223

7. Discussion regarding seismic survey permit, and action as appropriate

Court to allow publication to seek proposals on permits contingent upon proof that they have the other adjoining properties under permit lease.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (4-0).
Order #12-224

8. Discussion regarding pipeline crossing application and permit, and action as appropriate

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-225

9. Consideration and possible action to authorize pipeline crossing permit for Halcon Resources

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-226

10. Consideration and possible action to acknowledge receipt of 2013 Austin County Appraisal District Preliminary Appraisal & Collection Budgets

The Court noted that the Appraisal District intends to give salary increases again, when county employees did not receive increases last year and elected officials in 3–4 years. Their salaries should be in line with the rest of us.

They operate under the guidance and leadership of a board appointed by all the taxing jurisdictions, and the Commissioners Court has no authority.

The Court acknowledged and received the Austin County Appraisal District Preliminary Appraisal & Collection Budget for 2013.

Motion to Acknowledge: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-227

- 11. Request by Alvin Henry Janes to grant one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations for an approximate 31 acre tract into 17 and 14 acre (+ or -) tracts at 10075 Shelby Road in Precinct 2, and action as appropriate**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #12-228

- 12. Consideration and possible action to award sole bid to Industry I-Net, Inc. in partnership with Texas Broadband for countywide area network and connectivity**

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (4-0).
Order #12-229

- 13. Consideration and possible action to authorize Courthouse security funds for Justice of The Peace, Precinct 3 door and door locks**

Bid from Theut Company, LLC for front and back doors \$1,133.00.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (4-0).
Order #12-230

- 14. Discussion regarding COBRA health insurance cost to County, and action as appropriate**

Analysis by Craig Murphy, UMR Strategic Account Executive, that adds rate equivalents for the upcoming year. He suggests considering the COBRA cost increase, an administrative cost of additional 2% for employee dependants not employed with the County.

Per Commissioner Ottmer, we should go with additional 2% and the County should not subsidize anyone not working here effective July 1, 2012.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-231

15. Consideration and possible action to authorize solar screens for Tax Office for an amount not to exceed \$605.00

Bid from Texas Wholesale Blinds #2, \$605.00.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-232

16. Consideration and possible action to authorize resolution authorizing County grant for Texas Department of Agriculture Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program in conjunction with Helping One Another, Inc.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-233

19. Emergency Medical Services report and update by Ron Dille

Update of yearly information April 1, 2011–March 31, 2012.

17. Presentation of Beyer and Company, Certified Public Accountants of Independent Annual Audit and report, year ended 09/30/11, and action as appropriate

Wayne Beyer, Certified Public Accountant, presented the audit report, concerns with accounting and financial aspects of records for Austin County for the year ending September 30, 2011. Recommendations for departments of the County Clerk, District Clerk, Payroll, EMS, Administration, Hot Check Fund, Sheriff and Justice of the Peace No. 2 & No. 4, Segregation of Duties, Financial Statement Preparation and Commissioner's Court Minutes.

Per Betty Jez, County Auditor, findings have been reconciled for County Clerk, District Clerk and the Sheriff's Office.

Per Ron Dille, EMS, billing has been reconciled.

Motion to Accept Audit: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-234

10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING STOP SIGNS ON KURTZ ROAD AT REMMERT ROAD INTERSECTION, AND YIELD SIGNS ON HOUSTON STREET AT JACKSON STREET INTERSECTION IN PRECINCT 3

No comments made.

Public Hearing Closed at 10:00 a.m.

18. Consideration and possible action to adopt resolution to establish stop signs on Kurtz Road at Remmert Road Intersection, and yield signs on Houston Street at Jackson Street intersection in Precinct 3

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-235

Court recessed at 10:05 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

20. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate

a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-236

b. Budget Amendments

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #12-237

c. County Auditor's and Treasurer's review of finances

None.

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

a. OSSF Activity – May 2012

b. Austin County Jail Population Report – May 2012

c. Justice of The Peace, Precincts 1, 2, 3, & 4 – May 2012

d. Constable Reports – Precincts 1, 2, 3, & 4 – May 2012

22. Commissioners Court Inquiry

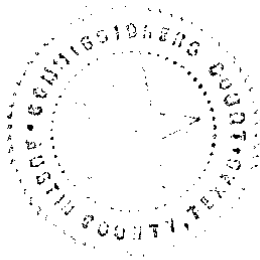
No business to discuss.

11:00 A.M. – TXDOT Program regarding State Highway 36 opening at Christian City /
Knife River construction facility

Court adjourned at 10:34 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 record of the
Commissioners Court proceedings for June 25, 2012.



Date: July 16, 2012

Carrie Gregor
Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Austin County, Texas
By: Cyndi Gomez, Deputy

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