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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**November 25, 2019**, 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  
Rebecca Thomas, Deputy County Clerk

**9:01 A.M. OPENING**  
**CALL TO ORDER**  
**INVOCATION**  
**PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**  
**CONSIDERATION/ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Reed absent.

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-437**

**1. Public Hearing regarding Austin County herbicide regulations.**

Perry Cervantes and Brad Tullis from Texas Department of Agriculture spoke about regulated and unregulated spraying.

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

Buddy Koenig reminded everyone the filing deadline is December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to run for office.

**3. Action as appropriate regarding possible changes to herbicide regulations in Austin County.**

No action. Table for next meeting.

4. **Presentation by Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott LLP regarding property/tax/fines/fee collections.**
5. **Discussion and consideration authorization to issue request for proposals for Administrative Services (RFPs) and request for qualifications for Engineering Services (RFQs) related to the 2020 Texas County Transportation Infrastructure Fund (CTIF) administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).**

Shirley Bohacci from Grant Works advised the County to move forward with the applications to make sure they will be in on time.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-438**

6. **Discussion regarding Preliminary Plat of Ellis Ridge Estates Subdivision, Precinct 2, and action as appropriate.**

Commissioner Rinn stated there will be little things they'll fix in the Final Plat.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-439**

7. **Discussion regarding the purchase of Computer/IT equipment out of "Court Technology" funds, for Constable Clark, Precinct 4 and action as appropriate.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-440**

8. **Discussion and action to authorize a one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 2 acres out of a 18.1160 acre tract on County Line Road, Precinct 2.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-441**

9. **Consideration and action to authorize a one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide one 5.0 acre parcel, and one 7 acre flag shaped parcel, from 43.515 acres of property on Jackson Road, Precinct 1.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-442**

- 10. CONSENT AGENDA – Items listed are of routine nature and may be acted on a single motion unless requested otherwise by member of Commissioners Court.**
- a. Approval of Minutes**
    - i. November 12, 2019**
  - b. Consideration and action to approve required schooling for application for the V.G. Young Institute’s School for County Judge and Commissioners to be held February 11-13, 2020 at College Station, Texas.**
    - i. Tim Lapham**
    - ii. Mark Lamp**
    - iii. Bobby Rinn**
    - iv. Randy Reichardt**
    - v. Chip Reed**
    - vi. Consideration and action to approve Required Schooling Application for Wilfred Krause, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, to be held January 12, 2020 – January 15, 2020 at San Antonio, Texas.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-443**

- 11. Discussion and action to declare Tax Office workstations as surplus.**

*Motion to Declare: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-444**

- 12. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.**

- a. Payment of Claims**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-445**

- b. Budget Amendments**
- c. County Auditor’s review of finances**
- d. County Treasurer**
  - i. Payroll an Escrow Reports**
    - 1. 11.14.2019 EMS Football**
    - 2. 11.22.2019**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-446**

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

- a. Extension Office – October 2019**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #19-447**

**17. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

Commissioner Reichardt reminded everyone to check Valcon invoices. They sent a letter out with regard to price increase, but because of accepted bid they cannot go up on Austin County.

County Auditor, Billy Doherty stated Gov Spend wanted to come and do a presentation, but advised we already use them. Per Commissioners, not necessary.

Commissioner Lamp asked if other Commissioners would like to work together to take out trees by the jail instead of hiring contractors to do the work. Everyone agreed.

Court recessed 10:35 a.m

Court reconvened at Wendt Street Building for Agrilife presentation. Judge Lapham present, but left before meeting called to order.

Commissioner Reichardt called meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

**15. Presentation / luncheon by Agrilife.**

Court adjourned at 1:01 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 November 25, 2019.



Date: November 27, 2019

Carrie Gregor

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioners Court  
Austin County, Texas  
By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy

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