



CARRIE GREGOR
AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

On **October 8, 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 – 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order
Invocation
Pledges of Allegiance
Certification of Quorum

Consideration/Adoption of Agenda

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-378

1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions

- a. **German American Month**
- b. **Czech Heritage Month**
- c. **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
- d. **Columbus Day**

2. Petitions or Request from the Public

None.

- 3. Request for one-time variance to Subdivision Regulations for a 2 acre tract out of a 161.256 acre tract located on Cat Spring Cemetery Road in Precinct 2, and action as appropriate**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-379

- 4. Request for one-time variance to Subdivision Regulations for a 3.06 acre tract out of a 17 acre tract located on Manak road in Precinct 4**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (4-0).
Order #12-380

- 5. Discussion regarding an agreement with Espy Services for auditing telecommunications accounts and action as appropriate**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-381

- 6. Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Cheryl Kollatschny, Justice of The Peace, Precinct 3 to be held February 3-6, 2013 in Galveston, Texas**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-382

- 7. Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Rick Yancey, Justice of The Peace, Precinct 1 to be held February 3-6, 2013 in Galveston, Texas**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-383

- 8. Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Wilfred Krause, Justice of The Peace, Precinct 2 to be held November 12-15, 2012 in Rockwall, Texas**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #12-384

- 9. Consideration and possible action to approve Resolution to establish reasonable and safe prima facie speed limit on all County roads per Transportation Code Section 545.3535 unless otherwise posted**

Advertise a public hearing on November 13, 2012 for postings of 35 mph speed limit signs on newly posted County Roads.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-385

10. Consideration and possible action to authorize FY 2012 Homeland Security Grant Program (Sub-Recipient Award for Austin County)

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (4-0).
Order #12-386

11. Discussion regarding Courthouse roof replacement, and action as appropriate

Judge Bilski received a proposal from Garland/DBS, Inc., \$161,208.00 for the roof replacement, with \$9,690.00 to remove and dispose cooling tower, and asbestos panel. Project to begin October 15, 2012.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-387

12. Consideration and possible action to ratify County Clerk's Preservation and Restoration Records Plan per Local Government Code 118.011 and 118.025

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-388

13. Consideration and possible action to renew interlocal agreement for law enforcement between Austin County and the cities of Bellville, Sealy, Wallis, and Town of San Felipe

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-389

14. Open bid proposals for yard maintenance at the following locations with action as appropriate

- a. Justice of The Peace Precinct 3, 201 Atchison in Sealy
- b. EMS Station 1, 840 W. Main in Bellville
- c. EMS Station 2, 906 Fowlkes in Sealy
- d. Precinct 2 Library, 1646 N. Main in Industry
- e. Property located at 905 Frydek Road in Sealy

Bids from Border Collie Lawn Care and Wade Baggerly – all locations

Need to contact bidders for clarification.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #12-390

Court recessed at 9:50 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING HGAC REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2011 UPDATE

No comments.

Public Hearing Closed at 10:05 a.m.

15. Consideration and possible action to adopt Resolution for the Hazard Mitigation Plan – 2011 Update for the Houston-Galveston Area Council Region

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-391

16. Consideration and possible action to set compensation and allowances for county elected/and or appointed officials, and department employees, introductory and maximum entry compensation schedule

- a. County Judge
- b. County Court at Law
- c. District Clerk
- d. Criminal District Attorney
- e. Human Resource Department
- f. County Treasurer
- g. County Clerk
- h. Tax Assessor-Collector
- i. Sheriff's Dept – Maximum, Entry Level Salaries & Wages
- j. Sheriff – Administration

- k. Sheriff – Communications**
- l. Sheriff – Jail**
- m. County Courthouse & Associate Buildings**
- n. Texas AgriLife Extension Office**
- o. Juvenile Board**
- p. District Court**
- q. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1**
- r. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2**
- s. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3**
- t. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4**
- u. Constable, Precinct 1**
- v. Constable, Precinct 2**
- w. Constable, Precinct 3**
- x. Constable, Precinct 4**
- y. Emergency Medical Service – Full Time and Part Time**
- z. Computer Tech/Communications**
- aa. Knox Library**
- bb. West End Library**
- cc. Emergency Management**
- dd. Texas Juvenile Probation Commission – Y2012 Community Corrections**
 - i. Chief Probation Officer**
 - ii. Program Administrator**
 - iii. JPO/Progressive Sanctions**

iv. Department Coordinator

ee. Commissioners – Precincts 1, 2, 3, & 4

ff. Road & Bridge – Maximum, Entry & Introductory Level employee compensation

Discussion regarding job descriptions and salaries for Road & Bridge.

gg. Auditor's Office

Order from Judge Steinhauser for William B. Ferguson, Assistant Auditor.

Continue with discussion regarding Road & Bridge job description changes without changing money in the Road & Bridge 2012-2013 Budget.

Precinct 1 – 1st "Class A Operator" to "Assistant Foreman"; last "Class A Operator" to "Class B Operator" not to exceed \$30,396.00.

Precinct 2 – 1st "Class A Operator" to "Assistant Foreman" not to exceed \$31,944.00; last "Class A Operator" to "Class B Operator" not to exceed \$30,396.00.

Precinct 3 – 1st "Class A Operator" to "Assistant Foreman", no change in salary.

Precinct 4 – 1st "Class A Operator" to "Assistant Foreman"; (3) "Class A Operators" to \$31,944.00; "Class B Operator" to \$30,870.00 and last "Class B Operator" to "Class C Operator" \$27,769.00.

Motion to Reject: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-1).

Opposed: Commissioner King

Order #12-392

Per Commissioner's Reichardt, amendment, Precinct 4 – (1) "Foreman" not to exceed \$33,048.00; (2) "Assistant Foreman" not to exceed \$31,944.00; (2) "Class A Operators" not to exceed \$31,308.00; (1) "Class B Operator" not to exceed \$30,870.00 and (1) "Class C Operator" not to exceed \$27,769.00.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (3-1).

Opposed: Commissioner King

Order #12-393

Commissioner Rinn inquired about a salary for entry level Class C Operators.

The Court created an entry level position for Road & Bridge, Class C Operator, not to exceed \$23,244.00.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-394

17. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate

a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #12-395

b. Budget Amendments

None.

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

Amended reports for March, April, May and June 2012.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #12-396

Betty Jez, County Auditor presented the July 2012 Report.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-397

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

a. Monthly Fees and Commissions from Tax Assessor-Collector – June 2012

b. Jail Population Report – September 2012

c. Austin County Library System – September 2012

Court recessed at 11:43 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

- 1. Deliberation regarding Real Property. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.072).**

Court reconvened at 12:00 p.m.

19. Action as appropriate from Executive Session

Judge Bilski to establish a bid procedure process for any mineral interest in Block 4, in Cat Spring. Follow the Natural Resource Code Provision for leasing county property, sealed bid process and place notice in local newspapers for general circulation, as well as on the County website.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #12-398

20. Commissioners Court Inquiry

- Paperwork from Jim Alice for signature
- Documentation for roof repairs
- Austin County Parade and lunch

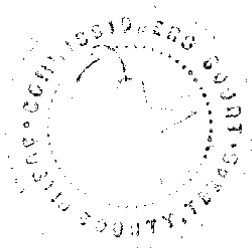
Court adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

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 October 8, 2012.

Date: November 2, 2012

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



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Carrie Gregor

COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS