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Commissioners Court Minutes

July 9, 2018, 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
Douglas King, 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

Amend agenda by removing Items 5 and 7.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-172

- 1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**
- 2. Presentation of resale resolution by Perdue Brandon.**
- 3. Discussion and action to approve Regroup Notification contract renewal.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-173

4. **Discussion and action to ratify 381 Economic Development Agreements:**
 - a. **Lonestar Prestress Mfg., Inc.**
 - b. **JL&B Holdings, LLC.**

Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-174

6. **Consideration and action to authorize advertisement for bid proposals:**
 - a. **Road Materials/Gravel**
 - b. **Hauling**
 - c. **Asphalts, Liquid Asphalt, Emulsion & Dust Control**
 - d. **Corrugated Culverts**
 - e. **HDPE Culvert Pipe**
 - f. **Concrete/Cement**
 - g. **Fuel (Gasoline & Diesel)**
 - h. **Surface Treatments, Asphalt Laydown and Asphalt Milling**

Bids due August 9, 2018. Court will open bids on August 13, 2018.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #18-175

8. **Discussion, consideration, and selection of an administration service provider to complete application and project implementation for the CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding through the General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization.**

GrantWorks selected.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-176

9. **Discussion and action regarding entry level pay for Precinct 4 Road & Bridge employee.**

Starting pay \$18.40 for permanent part-time position with experience for Precinct 4.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-177

10. **Discussion and action regarding transfer of funds from salary/Deputy Treasurer to Other in County Treasurer budget.**

Motion to Transfer: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0).
Commissioner Rinn abstained.
Order #18-178

11. Discussion and action on Frydek Road property

Need to reappraise property so it can be sold.

*Motion to Appraise: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-179*

12. Discussion regarding FEMA issues

Commissioner Rinn asked Commissioners if they were having issues with FEMA paperwork. Other Commissioners not having issues.

13. Discussion regarding Austin County Clean-Up Day

Plan to schedule Austin County Clean-Up Day at the end of September.

14. Discussion regarding construction projects (Jail, SO, EMS Stations)

Court to decide next meeting if bond is going on the November ballot.

Government Capital and US Capital Advisors are the two bonding companies the County has used in the past. Court decided Judge Lapham to contact Government Capital to be here next Court.

15. Discussion regarding roof on EMS Station 4 and action as appropriate.

Commissioner King presented an estimate for the roof of the EMS station 4 to be replaced at \$16,116.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-180*

Add to payment of claims today.

16. 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. June 11, 2018

b. Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for EMS employee to carry over 16 hours of unused vacation hours to be used by August 1, 2018.

- c. **Consideration and action to adopt Texas Department of Agriculture
Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program
Resolution Authorizing County Grant Program for 2019**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-181*

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

Including two checks: \$5,000 and \$6,000. Total = \$213,641.70

- b. **Budget Amendments**

- #41-Move funds to office supply line item.
- #42-Cover credit card fees
- #43-Indigent attorney and Interpreter fees
- #44-Record Refunds and Court Costs
- #45-FEMA reimbursement Precinct 4
- #46-FEMA reimbursement Precinct 4 and 2

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #18-182*

- c. **County Auditor's review of finances**

Per Billy Doherty, percentage wise we are still looking good over all.

- d. **County Treasurer**
 - i. **Payroll and Escrow Report 07.06.2018**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #18-183*

- 18. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - a. **Criminal, Civil, and Family Court Activity Report – June 2018**
 - b. **Constable, Precinct 2 – June 2018**
 - c. **Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 – June 2018**
 - d. **On-Site Sewage Facility – June 2018**
 - e. **Austin County Library System – June 2018**
 - f. **Jail Population Report – June 2018**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-184*

17. a. Payment of Claims

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-185*

19. Budget Workshop

Court recessed at 9:55 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:05 a.m.

Budget Questionnaire distributed to Court. Judge Lapham opened the floor for discussion.

Commissioner Lamp presented information with regard to Road and Bridge funding, advising there are six guidelines in determining fund distribution.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reichardt, no second.

Per Commissioner Reichardt everyone is asking for a 5% salary increase. No decisions could be made until the Court knows how much needs to be spent on the Jail project and he didn't think anyone is getting a raise if the County is going to spend 20 million dollars on a bond. Somebody is going to have to cut something somewhere.

20. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

Commissioner Lamp read from 2017 Short Answers to Common Questions by Texas Association of Counties, page 3 #2 (see supporting documents).

Commissioner Reichardt advised Commissioner Lamp to bring Road and Bridge funding back to Court, but he didn't think the vote would change. Per Commissioner Reichardt, Commissioner Lamp can sue the Court to change it.

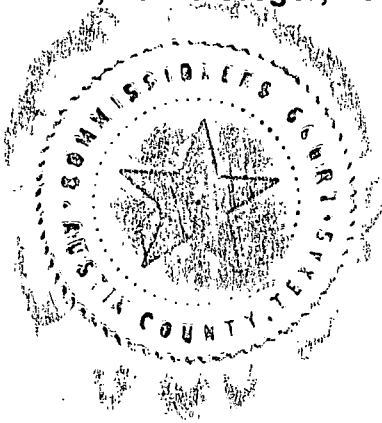
Per Commissioner Lamp, he's done his due diligence and asked Judge Lapham to please put this item on the agenda for next Court.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-186

Court adjourned at 10:22 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 July 11, 2018.



Date: July 18, 2018

Carrie Gregor

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

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