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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

August 20, 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

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #18-222

PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET

Began at 9:10 a.m.

Ronnie Griffin, Constable Precinct 3, spoke with regard to security issues.

Ended at 9:14 a.m.

- 1. Consideration and possible action to set proposed salaries and allowances for county officials.**

Discussed Constable Precincts 3 and 4 salary increases.

*(Revisited after #2)

2. Discussion and action regarding purchase of patrol cars with surplus funds.

Sheriff is returning \$732,956 in unused funds back to the budget. Needs to replace six vehicles in his fleet.

1. *Continued

Per Commissioner King, in six months Compensation Order (proposed salaries and allowances for county officials) can be revisited for Constable Precincts 3 and 4.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, failed (2-3). Commissioner Rinn, Commissioner Lamp, Judge Lapham opposed.

Per Judge Lapham, elected officials' salaries and allowances must be determined today.

Proposed salaries and allowances for county officials to remain same as last year's.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn. No 2nd.

Stay with same salaries and allowances for county officials published in the paper last year, (to include salary increase of Constable Precincts 3 & 4 to \$27,160).

Personnel Action Form (PAF) must be filled out for every county official and employee.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, failed (2-3). Commissioner Reichardt, Commissioner King and Judge Lapham opposed.

2018-2019 Proposed Salaries and Allowances for County Officials as presented in the paper.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-2). Commissioner Rinn and Commissioner Lamp opposed. Judge Lapham voted for.
Order #18-223

2. *Continued

Approve purchase of 6 vehicles.

Amend motion to approve purchase of 7 vehicles.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #18-224

3. Discussion an action on proposed tax rate and schedule public hearings as necessary.

General - .3856, F/M Lateral - .0811, R & B Special - .0672, Debt Requirement Rate - .0140 and Total Tax Rate .5479.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-1). Commissioner Lamp – Yes, Commissioner Rinn – No, Commissioner Reichardt – Yes, Commissioner King – Yes.

Order #18-225

Public Hearings set for September 4, 2018 and September 10, 2018 at 9 a.m.

Will adopt tax rate on September 17, 2018.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp. No vote.

Amend September 10, 2018 Budget Hearing at 6:00 p.m. instead of 9:00 a.m.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Rinn. No 2nd.

Public Hearings set for September 4, 2018 and September 10, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).

Order #18-226

4. Consideration and possible action to adopt and approve final Budget of Austin County, Texas for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

Change proposed Budget line item #101-55704-127 page 28. Reduce by \$160,000 as vehicles will be purchased from this year's budget.

Take out (3) on line #101-55702-127, leave lease purchase equipment.

Approve Budget as presented with \$160,000 adjustment to line item #101-55704-127.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, failed (2-3). Commissioner Lamp – No, Commissioner Rinn – No, Commissioner Reichardt – Yes, Commissioner King – Yes, Judge Lapham – No.

Change back to dividing Road and Bridge funds by road mileage.

F/M Lateral divided by road miles. Road and Bridge Special divided 25% to each precinct.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, failed (2-3). Commissioner Lamp – Yes, Commissioner Rinn – Yes, Commissioner Reichardt – No, Commissioner King – No, Judge Lapham – No.

Approve Budget as presented.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (3-2).
Commissioner Lamp – No, Commissioner Rinn – No, Commissioner Reichardt – Yes,
Commissioner King – Yes, Judge Lapham – Yes.*
Order #18-227

5. **Discussion regarding .0471 acres at the corner of Walnut Street and Missouri Street, New Ulm Township, and action as appropriate.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order#18-228

6. **Consideration and action to approve Request For Cancellation Of Part Of Subdivision of "Town of Orange Hill".**

Motion to Table: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-229

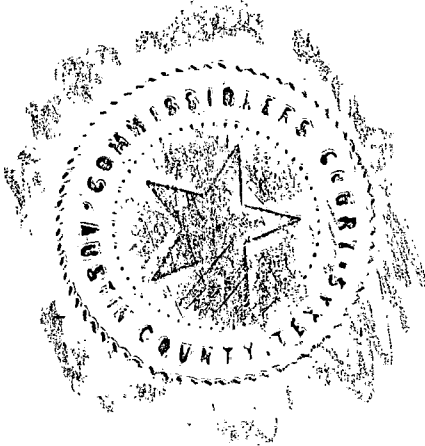
7. **Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Reichardt opposed.*
Order #18-230

Court adjourned at 11:10 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 August 13, 2018.**



Date : September 10, 2018

Carrie Gregor

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

FILED

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