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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

September 10, 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

Remove #4.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #18-251

9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE

Sam Boone spoke with regard to proposed tax rate and distribution of Road and Bridge funds.

Richard Burgess spoke with regard to County being efficient with its resources.

Rhonda Dean spoke with regard to County not being efficient with County funds.

Linda Niehaus spoke with regard to proposed tax rate hurting people in Austin County.

Jill Wolfskill spoke with regard to County utilizing all resources available.

Deborah Kristen spoke with regard to tax freeze for residents 65 and over.

Steve Butler spoke with regard to Court reviewing budget better.

Art Rudiek questioned the Court about an evening hearing.

Rosemary Bozant and Linda Ludwick spoke with regard to tax freeze for residents 65 and over.

Darlene Crowder spoke about more places to spend money within the County.

Virgina Drastata and Carole West spoke with regard to proposed tax rate.

Julia Groves spoke about County salaries.

Public Hearing closed at 9:58 a.m.

1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Rosemary Bozant requested a stop or yield sign on Mace Lane.

2. Consideration and action to grant Right of Way to Diversified Land Management for the installation of Seismic Receiver Sensors in Precinct 2

*Motion to Grant: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (3-0).
Commissioner Rinn abstained.*

Order #18-252

3. Discussion regarding Oil, Gas, and Mineral Lease with Pallas Energy Services, LLC and action as appropriate

Motion to Deny: Commissioner Reichardt, no 2nd.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Rinn abstained. Commissioner Reichardt opposed. Judge Lapham for.*

Order #18-253

5. Consideration and approval of an order by the Commissioners Court of Austin County, Texas authorizing the issuance of "Austin County, Texas unlimited tax refunding bonds, series 2018", levying an annual ad valorem tax, without legal limit as to rate or amount, upon all taxable property in the county for the payment of the bonds; prescribing the form, terms, conditions, and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale and delivery of the bonds, including the approval and distribution of an official statement pertaining thereto; authorizing the execution of a paying agent/registrar agreement, an official bid form, and an escrow deposit letter, complying with the provisions of the depository trust company's letter of representations; delegating the authority to certain members of the Commissioners Court and

**County Staff to execute certain documents relating to the sale of the bonds;
and providing an effective date**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-254*

6. Consideration and action to approve 2018-2019 Compensation Order.

Department 140 should say Part-time position.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (3-1).
Commissioner Rinn opposed.
Order #18-255*

7. Consideration and action to approve 2018-2019 Time Sheet Calendar
a. **Sunday - Saturday**
b. **Saturday - Friday**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-256*

8. Discussion regarding Road and Bridge bids and action as appropriate
a. **Road Materials/Gravel**
b. **Hauling (Road Materials)**
c. **Asphalts, Liquid Asphalts, Emulsions and Dust Control**
d. **Corrugated Culverts**
e. **HDPE Culvert Pipe**
f. **Concrete/Cement**
g. **Fuel (Gasoline & Diesel)**
h. **Surface Treatments, Asphalt Laydown and Asphalt Milling**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-257*

**9. Consideration and action to adopt resolution regarding TXDOT participation
requirement for bridge construction.**

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-258*

**10. Consideration and possible action to sign interlocal agreements as budgeted
to serve Austin County citizens:**
a. **Combined Community Action**
b. **Youth and Family Services**
c. **Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.**
d. **Austin County Soil and Water Conservation District**
e. **Helping One Another-Meals on Wheels**

- f. **The Virgil and Josephine Gordon Memorial Library**
- g. **Focusing Families**
- h. **Austin County Fire fighters Association**
- i. **Texana Center for behavioral healthcare & developmental disability services**

Motion to Sign: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-259

- 11. 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 action to authorize hardship variance for EMS employee to carry over 20 hours of unused vacation hours to be used by November 28, 2018.**
 - b. **Consideration and action to authorize hardship variance for Precinct 4 Road & Bridge employee to carry over 44 hours of unused vacation hours to be used by November 5, 2018.**
 - c. **Consideration and action to approve bid advertisement for bridge work on Pyka Road, Precinct 3.**
 - d. **Consideration and action to approve bid advertisement for bridge work on Old Columbus Road South, Precinct 3.**
 - e. **Consideration and action to declare 2008 Ford Crown Vic Asset # 10158 as surplus.**
 - f. **Consideration and action to declare 2007 Ford Crown Vic Asset # 10156 as surplus.**
 - g. **Consideration and action to declare 2010 Chevy Tahoe Asset # 10145 as surplus.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #18-260

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

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-261

- b. **Budget Amendments**

See supporting documents.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-262

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

Per Billy Doherty, Auditor, 16.7% left in Budget.

- d. **County Treasurer**
 - i. **Payroll and Escrow Report**
 - 1. **08.31.2018**
 - 2. **09.05.2018**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #18-263*

- 13. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - a. **Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 – August 2018**
 - b. **Monthly Report, Constable Precinct 2 – August 2018**
 - c. **Jail Population Report – August 2018**
 - d. **On Site Sewage Facility – August 2018**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0).
Order #18-264*

14. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

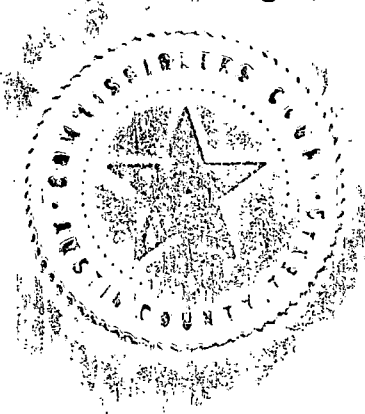
Court discussed Burn Ban and West End Library. Library is out of funds.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #18-265*

Court adjourned at 11:23 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 September 10, 2018.**



Date : September 28, 2018

Carrie Gregor

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

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