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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

April 13, 2020, 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
Chip Reed, 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 Item #13.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Lamp; 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-124

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions.**
 - a. Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month**
 - b. Soil & Water Stewardship Week Proclamation**
 - c. Fair Housing Month Proclamation**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-125

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

Per Judge Tim Lapham (County Judge), there are eleven COVID-19 cases, two have recovered.

3. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.

GO bonds have been received.

County Judge to sign contract with Gaeke Construction Co., Inc. for the Justice Center. Contract is for the amount of \$10,752,355.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-126

4. Discussion regarding request for additional vehicle/fuel funds for Constable, Precinct 4, and action as appropriate

Constable Precinct 4 requesting \$1,700 for vehicle/fuel funds to last until the end of the fiscal year to be paid from Capital Outlay or fund 115.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-127

5. Consideration and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to divide a 1.3 +/- acre tract from a 4.804 acre tract on Houston Street, Precinct 2.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-128

6. Discussion and action to approve maintenance agreement with ICS for Wendt Street phone system.

Renew yearly maintenance contract.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-129

Item #3 continued.

Pay invoice from Texas Communications from CO fund.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-130

7. Discussion and action to approve interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Brazos ISD for the use and operation of facilities.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-131

8. Discussion regarding speed limit on Frantz Road and action as appropriate.

Lower speed limit to 30 on Franz Road.

Motion to Lower: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-132

9. Discussion regarding Lake Road Bridge project, Precinct 1 and action as appropriate.

Go out for bids for a bridge on Lake Road.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-133

10. Consideration and action to ratify contract with Schaumburg & Polk, Inc. for CDBG-DR Hurricane Harvey Infrastructure Grant.

Ratify contract.

Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-134

11. Consideration and action to accept payment from Aspen Midstream Partner Holding, LLC of \$48,888.00 to cover material for road damaged areas in Precinct 1.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-135

12. Consideration and action to release Aspen Bond 7000000121 in the amount of \$350,000.00 covering Precinct 1 roads.

Motion to Release: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #20-136

14. Discussion regarding generators and tower site and action as appropriate.

Purchase new 48KW generator from Starbrite for \$25,966 and hook up all electrical at Tower Precinct 1.

Motion to Purchase: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-137

Pay out of CO project.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-138

Will need concrete slabs for generator pad and propane tank foundation at tower site.

Approve \$3,261.81 for EMS Station 1 generator hook-up to natural gas and pay from fund 127 – Major Repairs.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-139

15. Discussion regarding the 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program and action as appropriate.

Grant is for approximately \$255,533. County's match is 20%. Administration handled by Austin County. Grant is for any road. At time of application need to state which road will be repaired.

Apply for grant and manage in-house.

Motion to Apply: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-140

Apply 2020 County Transportation Infrastructure Fund Grant Program to rehab Chesley Street.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-141

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. **March 23, 2020**
- b. **Consideration and action to authorize right-of-way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Dockal Road, Precinct 2**
- c. **Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for District Attorney's Office employee to carry over 40.0 hours of unused vacation hours be used by June 04, 2020.**

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-142

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

Add Brazos Country Builders – \$3950, Appriss Safety – \$2003.23, and Appriss Safety – \$2003.23 for a total of \$639,153.80.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-143

- b. Budget Amendments**
- c. County Auditor’s – Review of Finances**

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor), still doing good. County has 55% of budget remaining.

- d. County Treasurer**
 - i. Payroll & Escrow Report**
 - 1. 03.27.2020**
 - 2. 03.30.2020**
 - 3. 04.09.2020**

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).
Order #20-144

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

- a. District Court – March 2020**
- b. County Court – March 2020**
- c. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 & Precinct 3 – March 2020**
- d. Constable Activity Report, Precinct 2 – March 2020**
- e. Jail Population – March 2020**
- f. On-Site Sewage Facility – March 2020**
- g. Library System – March 2020**

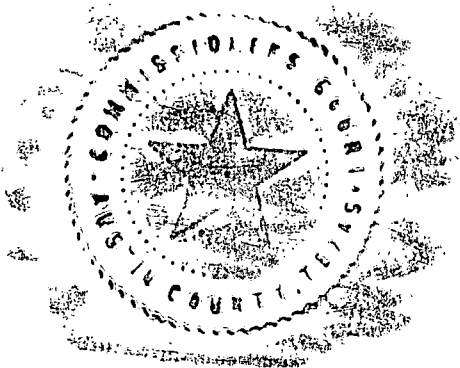
Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #20-145

19. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #20-146*

Court adjourned at 10:43 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 April 13, 2020.**



Date: April 16, 2020

Carrie Gregor

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

FILED

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Carrie Gregor
COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY, TEXAS