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**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

**November 8, 2021** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Basement 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  
Leroy Cerny, Commissioner, Precinct 3  
Chip Reed, Commissioner, Precinct 4  
Rebecca Thomas, Deputy County Clerk

**9:00 A.M. OPENING**  
**CALL TO ORDER**  
**INVOCATION**  
**PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE**  
**ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM**

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-388**

**1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**

Per Commissioner Lamp there is a problem with sign stealing.

**2. Receive and provide information, evaluate demographics, take action to establish criteria for redistricting and take possible action regarding redistricting of County political boundaries.**

Not redistricting at this time.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (3-1).*  
*Commissioner Lamp opposed.*  
**Order #21-389**

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

Per Judge Lapham, probably end of the year for majority completion of Justice Center. The panel and pews for the court rooms will not be in till mid- January.

Judge Lapham and Walter Morrow (EMS Director) met with Kenny Burns about the New EMS Stations. Gave him designs to move forward.

Per Commissioner Rinn, Wendt Street ceiling is almost completed should be finished this week. Per Commissioner Reed, as soon as ceiling is done, they will get electricity done.

Per Commissioner Rinn, he received a bid from XXL Construction \$6,872.00 to fix a bathroom and carpet in the office that has water damage in Wendt Street building. Shannon is still working on what insurance will pay.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*

**Order #21-390**

Per Commissioner Reed, Wendt Street building will need a generator if it is going to be used for an Emergency Operations Center. He will have the building tested to see what size it needs.

**4. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding road construction projects.**

Per Commissioner Reed, roads are waiting for it to warm up a little before they can finish topping them.

Per Commissioner Cerny, still working on roads and setting culverts.

Per Commissioner Rinn, working on roads, still waiting for the deeds on Shelby project then will go for bids.

Per Commissioner Lamp, still looking for culverts. Working in Raccoon Bend.

**5. Discussion and action to accept bid proposal for Kulow Rd/Sealy Rd bridge replacement project with Colorado County. (Commissioner Cerny)**

Received a bid from Wakefield Bridge Inc. for \$625,000. Work to be completed in 240 days.

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Cerny, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*

**Order #21-391**

6. **Discussion regarding approval procedure for section 3.2 of Subdivision Regulations and action as appropriate. (Commissioner Rinn)**

Getting an opinion from Jesse Skinner (County Attorney).

7. **Discussion and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 5 acres out of a 20.596 acre tract on Maresh Rd, Precinct 2**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-392**

8. **Discussion and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide 7.776 acres out of an 18.7760 acre tract on Frantz Rd, Precinct 3**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Cerny, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-393**

9. **Discussion and action to authorize one-time variance from Subdivision Regulations to subdivide ~2 acres out of a 6.36 acre tract on Miller Rd. The remaining ~4 acres will be combined with the neighboring 19.73 acre tract, Precinct 2.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-394**

10. **Discussion to approve final plat for Sempronius Subdivision and action as appropriate, Precinct 1.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-395**

11. **Discussion on holiday pay for regular part time employees and action as appropriate.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-396**

12. **Discussion regarding request to add an additional Dispatch Assistant Terminal Access Coordinator position for night shift operations and action as appropriate. (Sheriff Brandes)**

No Action.

- 13. Discussion regarding the Opioid Settlement and action as appropriate:**  
**a. Approve Opioid Subdivision Settlement Participation Form.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-397**

- b. Adopt the Texas Term Sheet and its intrastate allocation schedule.**

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-398**

- 14. Discussion and action to accept executed Lease Agreement with Jarvis Tire.**

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-399**

- 15. Consideration and action to canvass and declare results of the November 02, 2021 Election. (Kim Rinn)**

*Motion to Declare: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-400**

- 16. Discussion regarding Road and Bridge Reporting Software and action as appropriate**

Software will be 7,500 for the first year for installation and training, then \$4,500 every year after.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-401**

- 17. Fair Housing Month Proclamation.**

Fair Housing month will stay in April.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-402**

- 18. Consideration and action to adopt Resolution Regarding the Civil Rights Policies for the 2020 GLO Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program, Contract #22-085-007-D235.**

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-403**

19. **Consideration and action to approve Resolution Designation Authorized Signatories for Contractual and Financial Documents for the 2020 GLO Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program, Contract #22-085-007-D235.**

Judge Lapham, Billy Doherty and Chip Reed will be the authorized signees.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-404**

20. **Consideration and action to approve Amendment #1 for the Grant Administration Services Contract for the 2020 GLO Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program, Contract #22-085-007-D235.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-405**

21. **Consideration and action to approve Amendment #1 for the Engineering Services Contract for the 2020 GLO Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Program, Contract #22-085-007-D235.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-406**

22. **Discussion regarding Weigh Station and action as appropriate.**

Per Commissioner Reed, he received a bid for 2 types of buildings:

Metal \$14,285, Pre-Stress Concrete 56,538.

Commissioner Reed made the motion to approve Pre-Stressed building for safety reasons.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-407**

23. **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. **October 25, 2021**
- b. **Consideration and action to approve right-of-way utility installation by City of Bellville on Schumann Rd, Pct. 1**
- c. **Consideration and action to approve right-of-way utility installation by CenterPoint Energy on County Rail Spur, Sealy, Pct. 3**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cerny, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-408**

**24. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.**

**a. Payment of Claims**

Add to EMS special fund #102 \$17,990.89 making that \$19,659.76 making the new total \$328,974.89.

Approve with the EMS changes for training.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #21-409*

**b. Fund Transfers**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).  
Order #21-410*

**c. Budget Amendments**

None.

**d. County Auditor's review of finances**

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor) two months in doing good.

**e. County Treasurer's**

**i. Payroll and Escrow Report**

**1. 11.05.21**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #21-411*

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

- b. District Court – October 2021**
- c. County Court – October 2021**
- d. On-Site Sewage Facility – October 2021**
- e. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 and Precinct 4 – October 2021**
- f. Constable, Precinct 1 and Precinct 2 – October 2021**
- g. Texas Department of Motor Vehicles – October 2021**
- h. AgriLife Extension – September 2021**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #21-412*

Court recessed at 10:17 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A closed meeting will be held concerning the following item(s):**

- 1. Personnel Matters – EMS**

Court reconvened at 11:12 a.m.

**26. Action as appropriate on Executive Session.**

Move EMS Coordinator and Assistant Department Coordinator from clerical to EMS designation for payroll as of first pay period in October 2021.

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Cerny, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-413**

**27. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

None.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #21-414**

Court adjourned at 11:15 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 November 8, 2021.**

Date: November 15, 2021

Carrie Gregor

**Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioners Court  
Austin County, Texas  
By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy**

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