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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

April 8, 2024 Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Basement Floor Conference 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 Reed, Precinct 4
Kimberly Benjamin, Deputy Clerk

9:00 A.M. OPENING

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Per Judge Lapham, remove item number 7b. from Consent Agenda.

Approve Amended Agenda.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn (4-0)
Order #24-094

- 1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**
- 2. Discussion regarding support resolution for Highway 36, Bellville, truck route.**

Per Larry Kuciemba (Bellville Economic Development), TXDOT requests support from the County and City to perform a feasibility study. Study will cover Bellville and Sealy.

Per Commissioner Lamp, City of Bellville supports the study for consideration in future plans.

Per Judge Lapham, will present resolution at next Commissioner Court hearing.

3. Discussion and action regarding replacement of courthouse rooftop chiller.

Two bids received from NEVA Corporation: \$158,217.50 (coated coils) and \$148,734.50 (uncoated coils)

Approve \$158,217.50 (coated coils)

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4. Discussion regarding the sale of fireworks for the Memorial Day Season, per Local Government Code 352.051, and action as appropriate.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp (4-0)
Order #24-096

5. Consideration and action to appoint compensation committee: Tim Lapham, Bobby Rinn, Walter Morrow, Don Darraq, Bryan Haevischer

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp (4-0)
Order #24-097

6. Discussion regarding the purchase of 2 Tahoe's for EMS and action as appropriate.

Per Chief Walter Morrow (EMS), request to change purchase of 2 Ford F-150's to purchase of 2 Tahoe's. Total purchase price is \$100,250.00.

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Order #24-098

7. 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 accept donation deed of property from Sorensen Sandy Creek Farm and Ranch, LLC for the improvement of New Bremen Rd, Pct. 2.**
- b. **Discussion and action to accept Donation Deed of Property from:**
 - i. **Randy Hegemeyer, Laurie Hegemeyer Bettis, and Mark Hegemeyer on or near New Bremen Rd, Pct 2.**
- c. **Consideration and action to authorize interlocal agreements for street maintenance between:**
 - i. **Austin County, Pct. 1 and the City of Bellville**
 - ii. **Austin County, Pct. 2 and the City of Industry**
 - iii. **Austin County, Pct. 3 and:**
 1. **City of Sealy**
 2. **San Felipe**
 - iv. **Austin County, Pct. 4 and:**
 1. **Brazos Country**
 2. **San Felipe**

- 3. Sealy
- 4. South Frydek
- 5. Wallis
- d. Approval of Minutes
 - i. March 04, 2024 Construction Workshop
 - ii. March 11, 2024
- e. Consideration and action to approve Private Roadway Name Request Form for RW Ranch Lane, Pct. 2
- f. Consideration and action to approve Required Schooling Application for Ronnie Griffin, Pct. 3 Constable to be held in Hunstville, Texas, July 15-19, 2024
- g. Consideration and action to approve grant administration services amendment 2 between Austin County and GrantWorks, Inc. in reference to GLO Contract Number 20-066-002-B957
- h. Discussion and action to authorize temporary access agreement between Austin County, Pct. 2 and Charles Holtkamp.

Approve a., c. – h.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn (4-0)
Order #24-099

- 8. Budgetary and Financial Claims - action as appropriate.
 - a. Payment of Claims

Total = \$1,115,194.63.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #24-100

- b. Fund Transfers

Total = \$647,585.79.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #24-101

- c. Budget Amendments
- d. County Auditor's Review of finances
- e. County Treasurer
 - i. Payroll and Escrow Report
 - 1. 04.5.2024

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed 2nd Commissioner Cerny, passed (4-0).
Order #24-102

9. **Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**
 - i. **Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3 & Pct. 4 - March 2024**
 - ii. **Constable, Pct. 1 - March 2024**
 - iii. **Jail Population - March 2024**
 - iv. **OSSF - March 2024**
 - v. **Library - March 2024**
 - vi. **TxDMV - February & March 2024**

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Cerny, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #24-103

Court recessed at 9:29 a.m.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Texas Local Government Code §551.071, §551.125 and §551.129, a closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

- a. **Real Estate Matter**
- b. **Personnel Matter**

Court reconvened at 10:41 a.m.

11. Action as appropriate on Executive Session

No action on Executive Session.

12. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

Per Judge Lapham, Billy Doherty (County Auditor) request to add payment \$100,250.00 to accounts payables for 2 Tahoe's from EMS Vehicles line 127.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #24-104

Commissioner Lamp request timeline for completion of Wallis EMS repairs provided by Commissioners and Contractor.

Daniel Sanchez (Shellback Construction) suggests creating a punch list to assist in completion of repairs. Punch list would prioritize repairs to obtain Certificate of Occupancy. Once date is established, next focus is completion of entire punch list. Daniel will contact Kenny Burns (Burns Architect) to coordinate project completion. Will visit Bellville EMS site to create a punch list.

Per Commissioner Reed, Daniel Sanchez (Shellback Construction) will oversee Project Manager and General Contractor, to ensure jobs are being completed efficiently.

Commissioner Reed, Commissioner Cerny and Daniel Sanchez (Shellback Construction) will meet with Burns Architect at Wallis EMS this week to discuss plans for repairs.

Per Commissioner Lamp, visited Bellville EMS construction site to follow up on cleaning. Per Contractors, a crew will come to clean. Roof was installed.

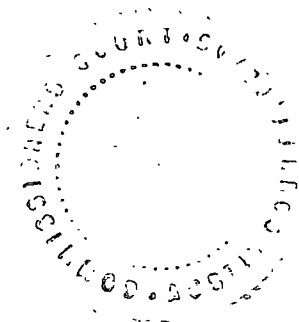
*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #24-105*

Court adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

**ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS PROVIDED BY
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

I, Andrea Cardenas, Austin County Clerk, attest to the minutes of the Commissioners Court proceedings for April 8, 2024.

Date: April 17, 2024
Andrea Cardenas, Austin County Clerk
Clerk of Commissioners Court
Austin County, Texas
By: Kimberly Benjamin
Kimberly Benjamin, Deputy Clerk



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Andrea Cardenas
COUNTY CLERK
AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK