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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

January 10, 2022 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
Andrea Cardenas, Deputy County Clerk

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

Per Judge Lapham, item a under Consent Agenda should say 24 hours instead of 72 hours.

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Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0). Order #22-1

1. Public Hearing Regarding Countywide Polling Centers

Public Hearing opened at 9:02 a.m.

Public Hearing closed at 9:05 a.m.

2. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Judge Lapham asked those signed up to speak to wait until the agenda item came up.

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

Per Commissioner Rinn, received a bid from XXL Construction for more work/maintenance on Wendt Street Building. Will get more clarification on bid then come back to Court.

Per Commissioner Lamp, will get eight loads of limestone for Sheriff's Office storage area.

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

Per Commissioner Lamp, anticipate Nelius Road will be closed from now to first part of summer. Continuing with routine maintenance.

Per Commissioner Rinn, working on routine maintenance. Still working on paperwork for Shelby and Emshoff Roads.

Per Commissioner Cerny, waiting on Wakefield to begin work on bridge. Continuing with routine maintenance.

Per Commissioner Reed, almost complete with grant for five roads then will begin next grant. Continuing with routine maintenance.

5. Discussion and action to declare county building at 17 East Main Street as surplus.

Declare building at 17 East Main Street surplus.

Motion to Declare: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0). **Order #22-2**

6. Discussion and action to amend 2021-2022 Compensation Order to add two full time Road and Bridge positions, Pct. 1.

Amended Compensation Order to add one full time Road and Bridge employee for Precinct 1.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0). Order #22-3

7. Discussion and action regarding Wildcat Estates development project within the Township of San Felipe city limits and E.T.J.

Ryan Reichardt spoke with regard to annexation.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Cerny, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0). **Order #22-4**

8. Consideration and action to approve contact for Geotechnical Engineering Services with Gessner Engineering for EMS Stations (Bellville, Industry and Wallis)

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0). Order #22-5

- 9. Consideration and action to appoint/reappoint Austin County Emergency Services District Board Members to 2 year term:
 - i. ESD #1
 - 1. Ray Chislett
 - 2. Vivian Williams
 - 3. Kim Silver
 - ii. ESD#2
 - 1. Charles Verm
 - 2. James Toman
 - 3. Daniel Atwood
 - iii. ESD#3
 - 1. John Alfred
 - 2. Dennis Diggs

Frank Johnston asked the Court consider other nominations for appointment to the ESD#1.

Henry Mlcak stated the board needs a change of Board Members. He recommends Raymond Abel, Vicki Minyard and Frank Johnston.

Jerry Ebers stated ESD#1 is out of control. Spent most of their budget on chemicals and elections.

Ray Chislett responded to Mr. Johnston, Mr. Mlcak and Mr. Ebers.

Approve Charles Verm, James Toman, Daniel Atwood, John Alford, Dennis Diggs and Chris Nanez for reappointment to ESD#2 and ESD#3 Boards.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #22-6**

Table reappointments to ESD#1.

Motion to Table: Commissioner Cerry, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #22-7

- 10. 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 72 hrs. of unused vacation hours through February 28, 2022
 - b. Consideration and action to approve Right of Way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Shunka Road, Pct. 2

c. Consideration and action to authorize Temporary Access Agreement between Mark J Arning and Austin County, Pct. 2

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0). **Order #22-8**

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

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0). Order #22-9

Approve budget transfers.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0). Order #22-10

b. Budget Amendments

#9-#18

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #22-11

c. County Auditor's Review of finances

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor), doing good.

- d. County Treasurer
 - i. Payroll and Escrow Report Payroll & Escrow Report
 - 1. 12.31.2021

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Cerny, passed (4-0). Order #22-12

ii. Monthly Treasurer Report – December 2021

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #22-13

- 12. Written reports submitted by County Offices.
 - a. Criminal Court- December 2021
 - b. Civil Court December 2021
 - c. Family Court- December 2021
 - d. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 & Precinct 4 December 2021
 - e. Constable, Precinct 1 December 2021
 - f. Austin County Jail Population Report- December 2021

g. TDMV - December 2021

h. Agrilife - December 2021

i. On-Site Sewage Facility- December 2021

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0). **Order #22-14**

13. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #22-15

Court adjourned at 10:17 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 January 10, 2022.

Date:

JAN 13 2022

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Andrea Cardenas, Deputy

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