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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

July 12, 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

Adopt amended agenda.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-211

1. **Proclamations and Special Recognitions**
 - a. **Ray Chislett Emergency Management Service Award**
 - b. **Linda Toman Emergency Communications District Service Award**

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

None.

3. **Discussion regarding sale of 906 Fowlkes Street property and action as appropriate**

Per Judge Lapham it is ok to sell for less than appraised value because of the work that it needs.

Motion to Sell: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #21-212

4. Consideration and action to accept donation deed on Remmert Road, Pct. 3.

10ft wide strip to eventually expand the road.

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

Order #21-213

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

Per Commissioner Reed, Justice of the Peace 4 has moved back into the building. They need 40 chairs and 2 rugs. He is looking into whether insurance will cover the cost.

Per Judge Lapham, they will look into which line-item fund to come out of. Total cost \$3,675.58. Commissioner Reed will work on insurance.

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

Order #21-214

Per Commissioner Cerny, still working on roads. Justice of the Peace 3 building is slowly coming back together.

Per Commissioner Rinn, Justice of the Peace 2 and library building should be done, other than finding mats and mini blinds.

Per Commissioner Lamp, moved power around to facilitate the modular building.

Per Sheriff Brandes, Dispatch is now up and running in their new offices. The floors in the kitchen are still being done.

Per Walter Morrow (EMS Director), they are waiting on parts to fix the sliding doors in EMS Station 2. Also sent work order in for condensation on the air vents.

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

Per Commissioner Lamp, Lake Road Bridge and Coshatte Road Bridge material is still wet. Working on getting dry material to use.

Per Commissioner Rinn, working on flood damage. Waiting on surveys and deeds to start bridge project for Shelby Road.

Per Commissioner Cerny, waiting on drawings to start bridge work. Lot of road repairs due to rain.

Per Commissioner Reed, working to rebuild roads from the rain. Contractors working on grant project got held up. Will be back to finish up.

7. Discussion and action to declare 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe as surplus. (Sheriff Brandes)

*Motion to Declare: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-215*

8. Discussion and action to declare all remaining contents of Temporary Office Trailer as surplus. (Sheriff Brandes)

The room to the right is still being used. It should be clear to release next week.

*Motion to Declare: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Cerny, passed (4-0).
Order #21-216*

9. Discussion regarding Portable Restroom Trailer and action as appropriate. (Sheriff Brandes)

Sherriff is turning over portable restrooms to the Commissioners. Commissioner Lamp is going to move them to his area for right now. They will also move portable containers over to the trees until the parking lot is finished.

10. Discussion regarding donation of 3 decommissioned light bars to Shelby Volunteer Fire Department and action as appropriate. (Sheriff Brandes)

*Motion to Donate: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (4-0).
Order #21-217*

11. Consideration to accept Rider to Bond No. UCSX400X1116 from Ironroc Energy Pipeline Partners, LLC to Austin County and action as appropriate. (Commissioner Rinn)

Released

1. Schoenau Road
2. Shelby Road
3. Zetter Road
4. Spies Road
5. Theilemann Road
6. Garlin Road

Not Being released

1. Pilcik Road
2. Wittner Road

Refer to back of Page 3 of Bond

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-118*

12. Discussion and action regarding the appointment of the Local Health Authority. (Judge Lapham)

Per Judge Lapham, they can reappoint Dr. Bosse.

Motion to Appoint: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-219

13. Consideration and action to appoint Chris Nanez to the Emergency Service District #3 vacancy.

Motion to Appoint: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-220

14. Consideration and action to authorize advertisement for bid proposals:

- a. Road Materials/Gravel
- b. Hauling
- c. Asphalts, Liquid Asphalt, Emulsion and Dust Control
- d. Corrugated Culverts
- e. HDPE Culvert Pipe
- f. Concrete/Cement
- g. Fuel (Gasoline and Diesel)
- h. Surface Treatments, Asphalt Laydown and Asphalt Milling

Will advertise for proposals. Bids will be accepted no later than 4:00 p.m., Thursday, August 19th. Will be read in Commissioner's Court Monday at 9:00 a.m., August 23, 2021.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-221

15. Consideration and action to authorize advertisement for bid proposals on Wendt Street Building.(Commissioner Rinn)

Per Commissioner Rinn, the bid needs to be two ways. First repairing using existing material on the walls, second replacing the material on the walls.

Going out for advertising. Bids will be accepted no later than Thursday, August 5th and will be read in Commissioner's Court Monday, August 9th at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-222

- 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. June 14, 2021**
 - ii. June 28, 2021**
 - b. Consideration and action to authorize right-of-way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Rinn Road, Precinct 2**
 - c. Consideration and action to authorize right-of-way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Spiess Road, Precinct 2**
 - d. Consideration and action to approve required schooling applications for Civil Process Seminar to be held August 3 – 6, 2021 at Longview, Texas**
 - i. Dave Schulz, Constable, Precinct 2**
 - ii. Ronnie Griffin, Constable, Precinct 3**
 - iii. James Clark, Constable, Precinct 4**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-223*

17. Budget Workshop

Per Judge Lapham, budget so far this year is \$18,905,446 which is \$707,000 more than last year, but there is more to be added and some may come out.

There are a few Offices asking for new positions. Tax Assessor Collector is asking for two new positions that is added in to the total amount. Sheriff Brandes is asking for new positions, but they are not added to the total yet.

Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor) Travis Koehn (District Attorney) is looking into a partnership with DPS to speed up drug and blood testing for around \$10,000. He is also looking into hiring a prosecuting attorney to speed up cases being taken care of. He would like to pay them contract. Per Billy Doherty (County Auditor) he may be able to put that in the 117 department instead of the individual budget.

Per Judge Lapham, \$100,000 for an engineer to be on staff. They will be part of his office. He is using money from other line items to help offset cost.

Per Commissioner Reed, the cleaning situation needs to be looked at for new Justice Center. It has been brought to his attention that it's too much for one person to clean. Commissioners will look into either part time person or a contract services to help keep up with it.

Commissioner Reed opened discussion with regard to the sprayer truck. They will look into advantages of different kinds of trucks. Is it better to hire a person as an employee or to hire as contract? Would they be able to keep the chemical paper work organized? This would be from 200 fund divided between precincts.

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

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-224

b. Budget Amendments

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-225

c. County Auditor's review of finances

d. County Treasurer's

i. Payroll and Escrow Report – 07.02.2021

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-226

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

a. Jail Population – June 2021

b. Constable

i. Precinct 1 – June 2021

ii. Precinct 2 – June 2021

iii. Precinct 4 – April & May 2021

c. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 – June 2021

d. Library – May & June 2021

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).
Order #21-227

20. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

None.

*Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (4-0).
Order #21-228*

Court adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

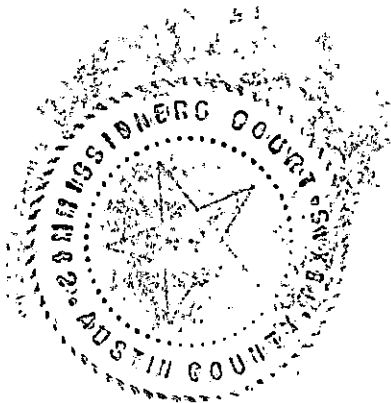
**ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS PROVIDED BY
COMMISSIONERS COURT**

**I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the minutes of the Commissioners
Court proceedings for July 12, 2021.**

Date: JUL 23 2021

Carrie Gregor

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



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