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Commissioners Court Minutes

September 8, 2015, Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Tim Lapham, County Judge Reese Turner, Commissioner, Precinct 1 Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2 Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3 Douglas King, 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

CONSIDERATION/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (2-0). Order #15-308

1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Linda Neihuus from Heritage Texas Real Estate spoke with regard to parking on the square.

9:00 A.M. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE

2. Discussion regarding proposed tax rate.

Meeting for Final Vote September 14, 2015, 9:00 a.m.

Public Hearing closed 9:30 a.m.

3. Review of budget and approve final revision. Budget will be adopted September 14, 2015.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order # 15-309

4. Presentation by BRW Architects regarding proposed station 2 in Sealy and action as appropriate.

No action.

10:00 A.M.

5. Presentation by Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP, Certified Public Accountants of Independent Annual Audit and report, Year ended 9/30/2014 and action as appropriate authorizing County Judge to sign appropriate documentation.

Audit looked good. Will release final copy once draft is approved.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order # 15-310

- 6. 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. August 10, 2015

Item #5 add December 23rd to 2015-2016 Holiday schedule. Item #11 add hearing date, August 24th 10:00 a.m.

ii. August 17, 2015

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order # 15-311

- b. Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for Maintenance employee to carry over 40.75 hours of unused vacation hours earned in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 through November 30, 2015.
- c. Consideration and possible action to authorize hardship variance for employee in District Attorney's Office to carry over 26.5 unused vacation hours earned in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 through October 30, 2015.

- d. Consideration and possible action to purchase three Quick Ticket Writers out of traffic safety funds.
- e. Consideration and possible action to approve Right-of-Way installation by Industry Telephone Company on Mertz Lane in Precinct 2.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-312

7. Discussion and possible action on upcoming Election.

Austin County Tax Collector's Office will remain open 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday for Early Voting.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0). Order #15-313

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

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #15-314

b. Budget Amendments

None.

c. County Auditor's review of finances

None.

- d. County Treasurer
 - i. June 2015 Reconciled Report
 - ii. 3rd Quarter 2014-2015-Reconciled
 - iii. Payroll & Escrow Report

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #15-315

- 9. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.
 - a. Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3 August 2015
 - b. Constable, Precinct 2 & 3 August 2015

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #15-316

10. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

None.

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner King, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #15-317

Court adjourned 11:26 a.m.

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

I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the accuracy of the Commissioners Court proceedings for September 8, 2015.

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Rebecca Thomas, Deputy

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Carrie Gregor

