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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

November 9, 2020, 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
Randy Reichardt, 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
CONSIDERATION/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Remove items #13, #14, #15 and #16.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0). Order #20-389

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions
 - a. Ray Chislett COVID 19 Response
- 2. Petitions or Requests from the Public.
- 3. Presentation by AgriLife of Commissioners Conference for be held in December.

Michelle Wright (AgriLife Agent) invited Commissioners to participate in AgriLife Commissioners Conference on December 17, 2020.

- 4. Presentation by Beyer and Company Certified Public Accountants.
- 5. Discussion and action as appropriate regarding building projects and financing.

There isn't a line item listed to pay for furniture for the Sealy EMS building. Court to decide to pay from General Fund or Bond funds.

Pay from Bond funds.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #390

6. Discussion regarding upgrade to incode RMS and action as appropriate.

No additional charges for incode RMS.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-391

7. Consideration and action to declare patrol vehicle equipment as surplus.

Declare surplus and authorize Sheriff's office to handle sale.

Motion to Declare: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-392

8. Consideration and action to approve interlocal agreement with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service for the Feral Hog Abatement Program.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). Order #20-393

- 9. Consideration and action to declare equipment as surplus (Commissioner Lamp)
 - a. GMC Cab Chassis
 - b. John Deere Grader
 - c. Volvo Grader

Motion to Declare: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-394

10. Discussion regarding the extension of unpaid leave for Justice of the Peace, Pct 4 employee and action as appropriate.

Extend Leave of Absence for additional six months beginning November 15, 2020.

Motion to Extend: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). Order #20-395

11. Consideration and action to approve Annual Longevity Pay of Employees for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.

Pay November 25, 2020.

Motion to Pay: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0). Order #20-396

12. Discussion and action to convert a Sergeant Position to an Investigator Position (Sheriff's Office) on the 2020-2021 Compensation Order.

Motion to Convert: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-397

17. Presentation of County Expenditure Report Summary for Fiscal Year 2020

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0). Order #20-398

- 18. 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 26, 2020
 - b. Consideration and action to approve Right of Way Installation by Industry Telephone Company on Eckermann Road and Aster Road, Pct 2
 - c. Consideration and action to authorize agreement for temporary access between Shane Siptek and Austin County Precinct 2 to clean ditch and improve drainage.
 - d. Consideration and action to approve application for required schooling for Kim Rinn, Tax Assessor Collector, to be held November 9 12, 2020 at Waco.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-399

19. Consideration and action to authorize Interlocal Agreement between Harris County and Austin County for the services to be provided by the Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences for postmortem examinations through December 31, 2021.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). **Order #20-400**

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

On Page 11, Department 130, City of Bellville – move to Justice Center. Total \$2,011,810.19

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). **Order #20-401**

b. Budget Amendments

#122 -- #160 for 2019-2020; #5 -- #9 for 2020-2021.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (2-1). Commissioner Reichardt opposed.

Order #20-402

- c. County Auditor's Review of finances
- d. County Treasurer
 - i. Payroll and Escrow Report Payroll & Escrow Report
 - 1. 11.06.2020

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Lamp, passed (3-0). Order #20-403

- 21. Written reports submitted by County Offices.
 - i. Justice of the Peace October 2020
 - ii. Constable, Pct 2
 - 1. September 2020
 - 2. October 2020
 - iii. Jail Population October 2020
 - iv. Library
 - 1. September 2020
 - 2. October 2020
 - 3. 2019 2020 Annual Report
 - v. Texas Department of Motor Vehicles October 2020
 - vi. OSSF October 2020

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Lamp, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). Order #20-404

22. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

Per Kim Rinn (County Tax Assessor-Collector), canvass votes Friday, November 13, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

#21 continued.

v. September 2020.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Reed, passed (3-0). Order #20-405

Motion to Adjourn: Commissioner Reed, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). Order #20-406

Court adjourned at 10:42 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 9, 2020.

Date:

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Andrea Cardenas, Deputy

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