

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

On **September 5**, **2012** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Basement Meeting Room at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge
David Ottmer, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Cyndi Gomez, Deputy County Clerk

Opening - 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order Invocation Pledges of Allegiance Certification of Quorum

Consideration/Adoption of Agenda

Flexible with agenda #1 and move agenda #2 after Executive Session due to Commissioner King and Laurie Wiggins, TAC running late.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (3-0). Order #12-356

- 3. Consideration and possible action to advertise for bid proposals for yard maintenance at the following locations:
 - a. Justice of The Peace, Precinct 3 201 Atchison, Sealy
 - b. EMS Station 1 840 W. Main, Bellville
 - c. EMS Station 2 906 Fowlkes St., Sealy
 - d. Precinct 2 Library 1646 N. Main, Industry
 - e. 915 Frydek Rd., Sealy

Advertise in local newspapers and website for a 3 month maintenance bid.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). **Order #12-357**

4. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of additional security cameras for Tax Office for an amount not to exceed \$3,142.00

Phillips Electronic Security – 2 cameras, 1 fixed dome camera and cabling, labor and connectors installed \$3,142.00.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). **Order #12-358**

Discussion regarding FY2013 Interlocal Cooperation Act Contract between UTMB and Austin County, and action as appropriate

Motion to Decline: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). **Order #12-359**

Consideration and possible action to renew contract between Intermedix and Austin County for Emergency Medical Services billing

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Ottmer, passed (3-0). **Order #12-360**

1. Discussion regarding property and casualty insurance coverages, and action as appropriate

Laurie Wiggins, Texas Association of Counties (TAC), reviewed coverages for Automobile, General Liability, Law Enforcement and Public Officials.

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #12-361

7. Budget review, and action as appropriate

Per Judge Bilski, review does not include salary increases, only salary adjustment line item. Judge Bilski and Betty Jez, County Auditor, feel the indigent health care carried forward from this year, will make a balanced budget. This would be enough to reinstate a 3% increase for each department.

The Proposed Budget is filed in County Clerk's office and is on the County website. Copies are in the County Judge's office, the Auditor's office and have been issued to the Commissioners for review. Any changes would be made on day of hearing, Monday, September 24, 2012 at 5:15 p.m. in the Basement Meeting Room.

Judge Bilski and Betty Jez, the County Auditor, recommend a delay in ordering any supplies, other than emergencies during September 15, 2012 – October 1, 2012.

8. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate

a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #12-362

b. Budget Amendments

None.

Court recessed at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

1. Consultation with attorney regarding litigation. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.071).

Court reconvened at 10:18 a.m.

9. Action as appropriate from Executive Session

The Court to ratify a Letter of Engagement (agenda #2) for Jim Price, Olson & Olson L.L.P., Attorney at Law, representing Austin County and the New Ulm Water Corporation, with a contract to redo sewer plant work properly.

Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Ottmer, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #12-363**

Contractor's application for payment is \$51,613.46.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #12-364

10. Commissioners Court Inquiry

Judge Bilski discussed a deposit resolution to present to the Legislator for deposit of plastic bottles for the Litter Clean-Up Campaign.

Commissioner's Reichardt and King discussed maintenance repair for the Sweeper between Precincts.

Commissioner Ottmer still has 3 ongoing projects that will not be finished before the end of FY 2011-2012. He will have money to carry over. Can he allocate leftover funds to incomplete projects?

Per Betty Jez, will carry over final amount and accrue back into 2012-2013 budget as long as it will not go over contingencies.

Court adjourned at 10:25 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 record of the Commissioners Court proceedings for September 5, 2012.

Date:

Shogo1 Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Cyndi Gomez, Deputy

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