

MACRCH 11, 2013

Be it remembered that on March 11, 2013, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: Commissioners Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1, Ricky West, Precinct #2, Charlie Morris, Precinct #3, Sheldon Parsons, Precinct #4, and Winona Humphreys, County and District Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Judge Lesa Arnold. The meeting opened with a prayer by County Judge, Lesa Arnold followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag.

Whereupon the following business was transacted and is now placed of record in the minutes of said Court:

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- Minutes of the February 11, 2013, and February 25, 2013 meetings were reviewed.
- Terry Braly, County Sheriff presented the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 238 9-1-1 calls, and 380 other calls. There were 8 prisoners held a total of 83 days with an average stay of 10.4 days per inmate.
- Gayle Taylor, Justice of the Peace submitted her report to the Court. Total cases filed by Judge Taylor for February, 2013 was 43, and total revenue collected was \$13,864.80.
- Sherry Hill, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$81,896.66, delinquent, \$3,459.91. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$40,647.69, delinquent, \$1,394.17. Mrs. Hill reported that as of February 28, 2013, 96% of the 2012 taxes have been collected.
- Winona Humphreys, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$3,050.30 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, County Judge Lesa Arnold, presiding, no criminal cases were filed. Four criminal cases were heard: 1 Driving While Intoxicated-2nd, dismissed, 3 Possession of Marijuana, two dismissed, and one, receiving 12 months deferred adjudication. One application for probate was filed. One probate hearings was held. In the 110th Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there were no criminal cases filed. One criminal case was heard: Burglary of a Habitation, receiving 6 years probation. Four civil cases were filed: 2 Divorces, 1 Suit affecting Parent-Child Relationship, and 1 Annulment. Two civil cases were heard: 1 Divorce, Final Decree, and 1 Name Change of Adult, Granted.
- Sandy Vickrey, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report. The General Fund Account balance as of February 28, 2013 was \$122,777.19. The Road and Bridge Account balance as of February 28, 2013 was \$19,739.43.
- The commissioners gave a report on road conditions in their respective precincts.
- CEU's/Certificates for County Commissioner Precinct #3, Charlie Morris and County Commissioner Precinct #3, Dennis Wyatt, for the Public Information Act and Open Meetings Act Course Completion.
- County Treasurer to pay invoices for the Caprock Regional Public Defender.
- Approve Resolution to develop a Hazardous Mitigation Action Plan and authorize South Plains Association of Governments to develop plan on behalf of Dickens County.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED

On a motion by Sheldon Parsons, and a second by Dennis Wyatt, the Court voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

INSURANCE POLICY RENEWALS WITH TAC APPROVED

Ricky West made the motion to approve the Insurance Policy Renewals with Texas Association of Counties on Auto Physical Damage, Public Officials Liability, Law Enforcement Liability and General Liability and to authorize the County Judge County to research the possibility of increasing the liability. On a second by Charlie Morris, the motion was unanimous.

APPROVE AMENDED INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS IN THE C.R.P.D.O.

Charlie Morris made the motion to approve the amended Interlocal Agreements with counties participating in the Caprock Regional Public Defender's Office, which would allow appeals for non-participating counties. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.

RESOLUTION FOR 2014 INDIGENT DEFENSE DISCRETIONARY GRANT ADOPTED

Ricky West made the motion to adopt the Resolution for the 2014 Indigent Defense Discretionary Grant. On a second by Charlie Morris, the motion was unanimous.

COURT APPOINTS REP. TO REVIEW PROCEDURES OF IN-TRUST PROPERTIES

The Court discussed In-Trust policies and appointing a representative to a committee to review procedures for cleanup and maintenance of In-Trust properties with other tax entities. Lesa Arnold made the motion to appoint Charlie Morris to the committee. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.

COURT APPROVES DRILLING WATER WELL TEST HOLES FOR LAWN

Sheldon Parsons made the motion to spend up to \$3,500.00 for the drilling of water well test holes, and casing if water is found. On a second by Ricky West, the motion was unanimous.

CHANGES TO WITNESS BOX AT COURTHOUSE ANNEX APPROVED

District Judge, William P. Smith, requested to the Commissioner's Court that the Witness Box at the Courthouse Annex be lowered. Sam Little, Precinct #1 road hand has agreed to do the work. Dennis Wyatt made the motion to make the changes and have Sam Little do the work. On a second by Ricky West, the motion was unanimous.

The Court discussed the upcoming West Texas Judge's and Commissioner's Conference, held in Midland, Texas in the month of April. All commissioners and the county judge will be attending.

Harry Bob Martin, Dickens County Historical Commission Chairman, met with the Court to present his annual report.

Jay Hurt, with Texas Department of Transportation met briefly with the Commissioner's Court.

APPROVE COURTHOUSE MASTER PLAN CHANGES

Gordon Marchant, Anne Stimmel, and Karl Komatsu with Komatsu Architecture attended the Commissioner's Court to discuss the Courthouse Master Plan changes. Also attending were Harry Bob Martin, Sharlene Drennan, Kermit Woolley, and Neal Hindman, members of the Citizen's Advisory Committee on the Courthouse Restoration. The changes call for the County and District Clerk's office to remain in the Historic Restored Courthouse, Option A, or the County Judge's office to remain in the Historic Restored Courthouse, Option B. On a motion by Charlie Morris, and a second by Dennis Wyatt, the Court voted unanimously to select Option A.

COURT TO APPLY TO T.H.C. FOR EMERGENCY FUNDING

The Court discussed making application to the Texas Historical Commission for emergency funding for the underpinning of the west façade of the Courthouse. Sheldon Parsons made the motion to apply for the funding. On a second by Charlie Morris, the motion was unanimous.

2011-2012 AUDIT PRESENTED AND APPROVED

David Copeland, with Bolinger, Segar, Gilbert & Moss, L.L.P., presented the 2011-2012 audit report. Ricky West made the motion to approve the audit. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.

BILLS APPROVED AND PAID

On a motion by Ricky West, and a second by Dennis Wyatt, the Court voted unanimously to approve all bills as presented.

Sheldon Parsons made the motion to adjourn at 1:40 p.m. On a second by Dennis Wyatt, the motion was unanimous.

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF DICKENS §

The above and foregoing is a true and complete transcription of my notes taken in my capacity as County Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas, at the time and place heretofore set forth. DATED at Dickens, Texas, this the 11th day of March, 2013.


WINONA HUMPHREYS, Dickens County Clerk

COMMISSIONER'S COURT AFFIDAVIT

In compliance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioner's Court of Dickens County on this date has compared and examined the Monthly Report of Sandy Vickrey, Dickens County Treasurer. Every account is reported as required by Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code and the Commissioners' inspection was made in accordance with Section 114.026 of the Local Government Code.

In this regular session of Commissioner's Court of Dickens County, the requirements of Section 114.026, Subsection C of the Local Government Code has been met and \$7,375,088.89 remains in custody of Sandy Vickrey, Dickens County Treasurer.

Approved in open Court, this the 11th day of March, 2013.

/s/ Lesa Arnold, County Judge, Dickens

/s/ Dennis Wyatt, Com. Pct. 1

/s/ Ricky West, Com. Pct 2

/s/ Charlie Morris, Com. Pct. 3

/s/ Sheldon Parsons, Com. Pct. 4

ATTEST: Winona Humphreys, County Clerk