COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

Regular Meeting November 28, 2011



TOM D. BONN County Judge CAROL HOLCOMB County Clerk

JOHN P. CYRIER Commissioner Pct 1
FRED F. BUCHHOLTZ Commissioner Pct 2
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct 4

Record to show that Commissioner Cyrier is not in attendance at today's meeting.

1. <u>Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.</u> (Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).

Judge Bonn led the Pledge to the flags.

2. Announcements: Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.

Commissioner Buchholtz discusses the Commissioners Conference in Uvalde coming up and offers to carpool if anyone is interested. Judge Bonn discusses the Burn Ban and that it will remain off until further notice.

3. <u>Citizen's comments:</u> at this time any person with business before the Commissioners Court, not scheduled on the agenda, may speak to the Commissioners Court. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes then balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day).

Carol Peters was concerned about Agenda item # 12 and also the requirements of Voter ID's and the Tax Assessors role in providing them. She is a CASA volunteer and is concerned with the young adults that may not drive but are of age to vote. Commissioner Madrigal informs the court that over the weekend, he and Kasi Miles received several phone calls concerning work that was being done at the site of the new tubing business in Martindale. He lets everyone know that he has spoken to the property owner who assures him that TCQ has been out to the site, and restrictions are being followed.

4. STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS.

None

5. CONSENT AGENDA.

Consent Agenda Items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. There will be no separate discussion of Consent Agenda Items unless the Court votes to remove an item for individual discussion. Ordinances on the Consent Agenda are for introduction only and will not be removed for discussion.

A. Approval of Minutes-November 14, 2011 and November 16, 2011

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the minutes for November 14, 2011 and November 16, 2011. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

6. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT/PRESENTATIONS.

None

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7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)

8. Executive Session: pursuant to Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters).

Executive Session begins at 9:10 a.m.

Court Reconvenes at 10:00 a.m. No Action Taken.

9. Discussion/Action concerning appointment of Human Resources Director (Deborah Kortan)-Judge Bonn.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to table this item until December 12, 2011. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

- 10. Discussion/Action to approve the following Surety Bonds:
- A. Surety Bond #15530860 for Jennifer Watts. JP 3 Clerk in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the term beginning 12-11-11 and ending 12-11-12 at a cost of \$50.00.
- B. Surety Bond #15530864 Rider for Lori R. Pompa in the amount of \$50,000.00 increases to \$100.000.00 to become effective on the 10-31-11 at a cost of \$71.03.
- C. Surety Bond # 14920444 Rider for Tina Morgan, District Clerk, in the amount of \$5,000.00 increases to \$50,000. to become effective 10-6-11.

Surety Bond # 14920444 Rider for Tina Morgan, District Clerk, in the amount \$50,000.00 increases to \$100,000.00 to become effective 11-2-11 at a cost of \$490.47.

- D. Endorsement Changes to Policy CR 50 01 10 90 for District Clerk's Deputies coverage from \$.0 Blanket to \$100,000.00 to be effective 11-7-11 at a cost of \$106.00.
- E. Surety Bond # LSM0344927 for Joy Pardo, Tax Assessor's Office in the amount of \$100,000.00 to become effective on 11-2-11 at a cost of Surety Bond # CBB 211 6051 for Tax Assessors Deputies in the amount of \$20,000.00 to be effective 11-2-11 at a cost of \$225.00.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the Surety Bonds as stated and listed above. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

11. Discussion/Action on the appointment of one Board Member for Luling Foundation Farm, Mr. Alton Williams and Mr. Johnny Halliburton have been proposed as candidates-Commissioner Buchholtz.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to appoint Mr. Alton Williams to the Board of Luling Foundation Farm. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

12. Discussion concerning procedure for appointment of Tax Assessor/Collector-Judge Bonn.

Commissioner Madrigal thanked all of those that have applied for the position of Tax Assessor/Collector during the vacancy, but feels that since Joy Pardo has the qualification, that she should continue at this time. Commissioner Roland agrees with him. Commissioner Buchholtz feels that since the position has been posted and there have been applicants that they should review the applicants. The Commissioner's have agreed that an Executive Session will be on the Agenda for December 12, 2011 for further discussion.

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13. PAY BILLS (\$188,469.13)

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to pay the bills in the amount of \$188,469.13. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

14. Budget Amendments # 1: This budget amendment is being made in order to move money from Line Item (531) (Machinery and Equipment) of the Engineering and Subdivision Department (6600) to Line Item 481 (Training) and to Line Item 426 (Transportation). This will enable us to reimburse the Engineer for travel/transportation to various training seminars.

ENGINEERING AND SUBDIVISION DEPARTMENT 6600

Line Item 531 - Machinery and Equipment

-\$2,000.00

Line Item 481 - Training

+\$1,000.00

Line Item 426 - Transportation

+\$1,000.00

Net to budget

\$0.00

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve Budget Amendment # 1. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to adjourn. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

__TOM D. BONN, County Judge