

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
Regular Meeting on April 18, 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

Call Meeting to order.

All Commissioners present.

1. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.

Pledge was led by Judge Bonn.

Called to Order and announced that today we will be deviating a little bit from the schedule. The Caldwell County reports will start at approximately 11:00, to hear the redistricting presentation.

2. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings.

No minutes for approval.

3. Citizen's comments: 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 three (3) to (5) minutes per person.

Tracy Forrester has reserved the right to speak during the meeting. No comment at this time.

4. Approve the Caldwell County Reports for the month:

A. Environmental Investigator Report for the month of March 2011-Mike Bittner.

Mike Bittner Environmental Investigator gives Report for the month of March 2011. Mr. Bittner reports that cameras are in the process of being installed in the problem areas.

B. Texas Agrilife Extension Service Report for the month of March 2011-Jeff Watts/ Carissa Wilhelm.

Carissa Wilhelm gave Texas Agrilife Extension Report for the month of March 2011 and speaks about the training programs that she has held and those coming up. Jeff Watts gives his report with updates for the Texas Agrilife Extension Service for the month of March 2011 and upcoming events. Susan Madral comments that she has been to a few of Jeff's classes and feels that they are very helpful and informative.

C. Veterans Officer report for the month of March 2011-David Francis.

David Francis gave the Veterans Officer report for the month of March 2011 and recognized that it was prepared by the outgoing Veterans Service Officer Anna Wagner. Mrs. Wagner gave an update about the office space in Luling that they will be using to serve the Veterans in Luling. It will be an office within City Hall that is A. D. A. compliant.

D. Building Maintenance report for the month of March 2011-Curtis Weber.

The Building Maintenance report for the month of March 2011 will be postponed ;Curtis Weber was unable to attend due to Air Conditioner placement at the Courthouse.

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E. Emergency Management Report for the month of March 2011-Jimmy Parker.

Jimmy Parker reported that they got a generator for the Emergency Management Team. It is a regional asset. Mounted on a trailer and can be used anywhere needed in the county. He will have the photos ready for the Commissioner Court Meeting in May, 2011. It was funded completely by Homeland Security. It will be of great use for the backup of the communication system.

F. 911 Addressing Coordinator monthly report for the month of March 2011-Darla Law.

Darla Law 911 Addressing Coordinator gave the report for March 2011. Explanation of new addresses issued and Road center lines.

G. Sanitation Officer monthly report for the month of March 2011-Kasi Miles.

Kasi Miles Sanitation Officer gave the report for March 2011. Update on Cottage Creek and Spanish Oaks Subdivisions, still waiting to complete conditions.

H. Indigent Health Care monthly report for the month of March 2011-Rhoda Chavira.

Rhoda Chavira gave the Indigent Health Care monthly report for the month of March 2011.

I. Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Report for the month of March 2011-Dwight Jeffrey.

Dwight Jeffrey gave the Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Report for the month of March 2011. Updates on replacing road signs, fixing potholes and repair of the low water crossing on CR 127A (Little Lane). He also reported the completion of repairs to the approach of the bridge at "Skulls Crossing" in Martindale.

J. Caldwell County Tax Collection Report for the month of March 2011-Judge Bonn.

This agenda item was postponed as the County Treasurer was required to leave for training.

K. Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report for month ending November 30, 2010 & December 31, 2010-Lori Rangel-Pompa.

Caldwell County Quarterly Investment Report for quarter ending 3/31/11-Lori Rangel-Pompa.

This agenda item was postponed as the County Treasurer was required to leave for training.

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the Caldwell County Reports for the Month with exception of the Building Maintenance Report and J and K., the County Tax Collection Report and the Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

5. Discussion/Action regarding Caldwell County Historical Commission financial report for the year ending 2010-Commissioner Cyrier- Clarence Shomette

Doug Shomette of the Caldwell County Historical Commission gives overview and general information about Jail museum. He is in connection with Texas Historical Commission working on funds to proceed with other activities. Commissioner Cyrier would like to thank The Historical Commission for all of their work and passion in our community. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the Caldwell County Historical Commission financial report for the year ending 2010. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

6. Discussion on Overtime Hours for the month of March 2011-Judge Bonn.

Judge Bonn reads report and lets all present know that it is a concern of his to keep the overtime hours down. It affects our budget.

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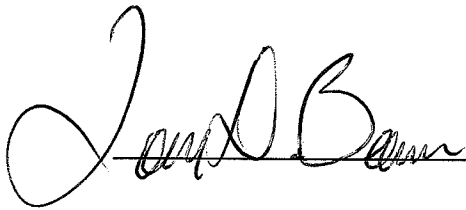
- 7. Update on Caldwell County Road Study Committee-Commissioner Buchholtz.**
Commissioner Buchholtz gives a report that at the last meeting, Dwight Jeffrey gave an overview of the Road System and the Committee members put together a few agenda items to discuss at the next meeting which is planned for Tuesday April 26, 2011
- 8. Discussion/Action to consider Outdoor Burning Ban for Caldwell County-Judge Bonn.**
Jimmy Parker reports that conditions have not changed and recommends that we leave the Burn Ban on. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to leave the Burn Ban on. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 9. Presentation and discussion of Initial Assessment regarding the need to redistrict the County Commissioner Precincts based on recently issued 2010 Census data-Judge Bonn/Sidney W. Falk, Jr.**
Before beginning presentation, Judge Bonn recognizes Former District Attorney, Charles Kimbrough, in the Commissioners Court. Mr. Kimbrough introduces Sid Falk to present and discuss the Initial assessment regarding the need to redistrict the County Commissioner Precincts based on recently issued 2010 Census data.
- 10. Discussion of traditional redistricting criteria and possible adoption of criteria to be utilized by the County for the 2011 redistricting process-Judge Bonn.**
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve the Caldwell County order adopting criteria for the use of redistricting of 2011 process.
- 11. Discussion and possible action to adopt redistricting guidelines which set standards for public participation for the 2011 redistricting-Judge Bonn.**
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to adopt the order for guidelines for persons submitting specific redistricting proposals providing comments. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
Judge Bonn and Commissioners thank Mr. Kimbrough, Mr. Falk and Mr. Mendez for attending and for the presentation.
- 12. Discussion/Action concerning Proposed Animal Shelter Services Interlocal Agreement with the City of Lockhart-Judge Bonn.**
Motion made by Judge Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to table this agenda item. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 13. Discussion/Action concerning Caldwell County fuel expense will all County Vehicles-Judge Bonn.**
Explanation of the fuel card used by County vehicles and discussion to no longer allow premium fuel purchases. Commissioner Madrigal recommends mid-grade fuel. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to block the fuel cards for use of premium fuel. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 14. Pay Bills**
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to pay the bills in the amount of \$99,633.39. This includes \$2,833.40, being Total Indigent Defense and \$27,743.17 being Total Indigent Health. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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15. **Executive Session:** The Commissioners Court will go into executive session pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071 to receive advice from counsel regarding the County's redistricting obligations.
Executive Session is from 10:12a.m. - 10:53a.m.
16. **Discussion/Action** resulting from Executive Session regarding legal advice from attorney-Judge Bonn.

Adjourn

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



TOM D. BONN County Judge