# COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES Special Meeting March 5, 2012

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# 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

## 03.05.01 Invocation-Caldwell County Christian Ministries

Judge Todd Blomerth said a prayer to begin the meeting.

### 03.05.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.

Judge Bonn led the Pledge to both Flags.

**03.05.03** Citizens' Comments: At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. 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 the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day.

Susan Modrall voiced her concerns about creating new positions in local government with the economic troubles. She also commented on the duties and responsibilities of the County Treasurer.

Danny Buckner spoke about the renovation of the Wal-Mart building and the hiring of an architect. He did not feel that it was necessary to hire a hire Broaddus & Associates.

Commissioner Madrigal voices his concerns about the behavior of elected officials and feels that political party should be left out of any decisions made.

### 03.05.04 Consent Agenda.

(a) Approval of Minutes-February 21, 2012 and February 27, 2012.

(b) Approval of County Elections Administrator's Bond in the amount of \$20,000.00. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve the Consent Agenda. All voting "Aye".

# 03.05.05 Discussion/Action concerning approval of proposal from Broaddus & Associates for procurement (RFQ for design service); negotiation of contract for design services (Contract for Architect); and procurement for (remodel of Wal-Mart.

Judge Todd Blomerth voiced his concerns about having the assistance of Broaddus & Associates to help the county prepare for the procurement process. He feels that it is necessary to have the proper planning for the investment that is going to be made. He feels that the County should have someone qualified to hire an architect for a project of this size.

Judge Ed Jarrett spoke in agreement to the hiring of Broaddus & Associates as well. He commented on the importance of having the expertise and knowledge to guide us in this process. This is an investment that the County will be making and will have for years to come.

Caldwell County District Attorney, Trey Hicks agrees with both Judges. He has spoken with other counties that have had problems when they did not have assistance with planning.

Discussion was continued among the Court. Motion made by Judge Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier for the approval of proposal from Broaddus & Associates for procurement (RFQ for design service); negotiation of contract for design services (Contract for Architect); and procurement for (remodel of Wal-Mart. Roll vote was taken. Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-No, Commissioner Madrigal-No, Commissioner Roland-No, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Failed.

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# 03.05.06 Discussion/Action concerning approval of proposal from Broaddus & Associates to update the Caldwell County Needs Assessment.

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal for the approval of proposal from Broaddus & Associates to update the Caldwell County Needs Assessment. Roll Vote taken, Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-No, Commissioner Madrigal-Yes, Commissioner Roland-No, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Passed.

### 03.05.07 Discussion/Action to transfer non-core payroll functions to Human Resources.

Susan Stewart feels that the citizens who elected the Treasurer did so believing that she would be taking care of payroll duties. She feels that this duty should remain with the office that was elected.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to transfer non-core payroll functions to Human Resources, with further discussion.

Caldwell County Treasurer, Lori Rangel Pompa said that she has no objection to the transfer but does feel that with her name on the checks that she should have access to timesheets and any other payroll information and software. Human Resource Director, Debra Kortan answers any questions the court has about the transfer of duties. Roll Vote taken. Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Commissioner Madrigal-No, Commissioner Roland-No, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Passed

#### 03.05.08 Adjournn

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to Adjourn. All voting "Aye"

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