

**CALDWELL COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
1403 Blackjack Street, Lockhart, Texas  
November 13, 2012**



**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.**

Commissioner Cyrier not Present at today's meeting.

- 11.13.01 Invocation-** Caldwell County Christian Ministries.  
Meeting was opened with prayer from a member of the Caldwell County Christian Ministries.
- 11.13.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.** (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 both Flags.
- 11.13.03 Announcements:** Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.  
Judge Bonn congratulates the candidates that won the election. He spoke of the family land heritage ceremony recognizing the families in the county that have had property in Texas over 150 years and 100 years. Donnie and Marie Graham were recognized. Commissioner Madrigal thanked all that worked hard during the election and Candidates that had been elected and those who had run. Recognizing that it was favorable to see people take an interest in our County. He also announced the marriage of his son this past weekend.
- 11.13.04 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).  
Bernadette Cutshall spoke to the Court concerning Caldwell County Brown Santa and the possibility of county giving an annual allotment in the future. At this time costs can run as high as \$12,000 a year, depending on the amount of children.
- 11.13.05 Commissioners Court Minutes.** Approval of October 22, 2012 Minutes.  
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to approve the minutes dated October 22, 2012, with correction of agenda item 11. All Present Voted "Aye".

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**11.13.06**      **Consent Agenda.** (Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda be moved to the Regular Agenda for further discussion and action).

**A.** Approval of a Family Land Grant exception to the Caldwell County Development Ordinance platting requirements for property located on Wattsville Road(a portion of the J. E. Foller Survey A-106) for applicant Martin & Sharon Pratkan.

    Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to approve Consent Agenda. All Present Voting "Aye"

**11.13.07**      **County Administrator Report/Presentation**

**A.** Sales Tax Report

**B.** Septic and Subdivision Fee Report

    County Administrator Ron Heggemeier gives the reports for the month of October 2012.

**11.13.08**      **Special Presentations. None**

**(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)**

**B.**      **Acceptance of the public streets and drainage of Tierra Verde Subdivision,** a 52 lot development off Lytton Lane(County Road 174) as complete and ready to use by the public, and to begin the two year performance period of said public improvements as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the name of the county in the amount of \$39,446.40.

    Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the public streets and drainage of Tierra Verde Subdivision, a 52 lot development off Lytton Lane(County Road 174) as complete and ready to use by the public. And to begin the two year performance period of said public improvements as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the name of the county in the amount of \$39,446.40. All Present Voting "Aye"

**11.13.09**      **Discussion/Action** concerning approval of Braun & Butler as construction manager for the Walmart remodel.

    Motion made by Judge Bonn, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to table this item until possibly the first meeting in December.. All Present Voting "Aye"

**11.13.10**      **Discussion/Action** to approve a draft Inter-local with TXDOT regarding the trade offer of two Quantar VHF transmitters on loan to the County for the use of our 700/800 network during emergency coordination.

    Paul Gilbert from TXDOT gives overview and explains the inter-local agreement. Judge Bonn says that he would like for the Commissioners Court to give him the okay to sign on the County's behalf. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to approve a draft Inter-local with TXDOT regarding the trade offer of two Quantar VHF transmitters on loan to the County for the use of our 700/800 network during emergency coordination. All Present Voting "Aye"

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- 11.13.11 Discussion/Action** concerning the purchase of a 130KW Generator and one year's preventative maintenance and approval of electric bid concerning the same backup power for IT Department and approval of related Budget Amendment No. 2.  
Executive Session: An executive Session will be held pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.076 and §418.183 as it relates to agenda item No.11

Executive Session Begins: 9:34 a.m.

Executive Session Ends & Court back in Session: 10:07 a.m.- No Action Taken

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to approve a total of \$59,219.00, to be used out of Reserves for the purchase of a 130KW Generator and one year's preventative maintenance. This includes approval of electric bid for Grumbles Electric, Staples, Texas concerning the same backup power for IT Department and approval of related Budget Amendment No. 2. All Present Voting "Aye"

- 11.13.12 Discussion/Action** concerning approval of continued participation in the CAPCOG Regional Emergency Notification System  
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the continued participation in the CAPCOG Regional Emergency Notification System. All Present Voting Aye".

- 11.13.13 Discussion/Action** concerning approval of a bid from M&M Roofing and Siding for building repair and painting at Scott Annex(to be paid from C. O Bonds).

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to table this item until more bids are received. This could be November 19 or the first meeting in December. All Present Voting "Aye"

- 11.13.14 Discussion/Action** regarding permits for oil and gas drilling and related activity, including oversize/overweight vehicles on county roads.

Ron Heggemeier gave an overview and some information concerning the damage to other counties caused from drilling. He answered questions that the Commissioners had and will bring information back to them as it progresses. No Action Taken

- 11.13.15 Discussion/Action** to ratify Proclamation honoring Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital, Luling Texas for being one of the top 20 rural hospital in the United States and to proclaim November 9, 2012, Rural Health Day.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to ratify Proclamation honoring Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital, Luling Texas for being one of the top 20 rural hospitals in the United States and to proclaim November 9, 2012, as Rural Health Day. All Present Voting "Aye"

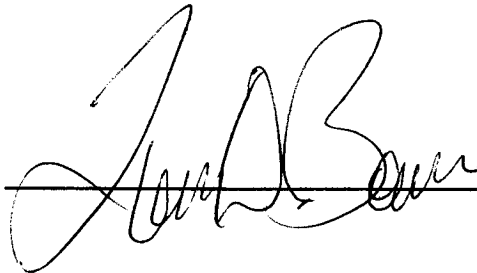
- 11.13.16 Discussion/Action** concerning approval of the 2013 Caldwell County Employees Holiday Calendar.

Motion made by Judge Bonn, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the 2013 Caldwell County Employees Holiday Calendar, with removal of "½ day" at Thanksgiving. All Present Voting "Aye"

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- 11.13.17 Discussion/Action** to approve cancellation of the November 26, 2012 Commissioner's Court due to time constraints occurring because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.  
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the cancellation of the November 26, 2012 Commissioner Court meeting due to time constraints occurring with Thanksgiving Holiday. All Present Voting "Aye"
- At this time Judge Bonn updated the Court with a letter from Senator Hager addressing the 55mph speed limits for the SH-130 frontage road that are being set for Caldwell County commuters. It is accompanied by the Resolution from the Caldwell County Commissioner's Court.
- 11.13.18 Pay Bills-\$344,242.97**  
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to pay the bills in the amount of \$344,242.97. All Present Voted "Aye"
- 11.13.19 Adjournment**  
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to adjourn the meeting. All Present Voting "Aye"

  
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TOM D. BONN, County Judge