

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
110 S. Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas
Regular Meeting April 25, 2016 9:00 a.m.



KEN SCHAWÉ	County Judge	ALFREDO MUÑOZ	Commissioner Pct. 1
CAROL HOLCOMB	County Clerk	EDDIE MOSES	Commissioner Pct. 2
		NETO MADRIGAL	Commissioner Pct. 3
		JOE IVAN ROLAND	Commissioner Pct. 4

Call Meeting to Order. Meeting called to order by Judge Schawe at 9:02 a.m. Commissioner Madrigal present at 9:04 a.m. Commissioner Roland present at 9:05 a.m.

2016.04.25.01 Invocation. Lockhart Ministerial Alliance.

Pastor Randy Frye with First Christian Church opened the meeting with prayer.

2016.04.25.02 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 Schawe led all present in the Pledge of both flags.

2016.04.25.03 Announcements. Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.

Commissioner Muñoz congratulated Lockhart's Relay for Life for a successful event. He said Judge Schawe and himself attended the rededication ceremony of the State Park in Lockhart. He explained a CAMPO meeting he attended and announced the upcoming Gala hosted by the Gaslight Baker Theatre. Commissioner Moses announced events this weekend including the Battle of the Bands this Saturday in Luling and the Delhi Volunteer Fire Department Bar-B-Que. Commissioner Madrigal expressed concern for the recent rainfall but stated there was no flooding and thanked Martin Ritchey for staying on top of it.

2016.04.25.04 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).

Tom Bonn, representative for Bluebonnet Trails, announced the opening of the new Bluebonnet Center at 2 p.m. today. He stated several health services that are offered at the new facility.

2016.04.25.05 Consent Agenda. (The following consent items may be acted upon in one motion. Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda be pulled for separate discussion and/or action).

A. Approve payment of County invoices in the amount of \$228,096.55.

Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Moses to approve Consent Agenda item A. All voting "Aye".

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(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)

2016.04.25.06 **Discussion/Action** regarding the burn ban for Caldwell County. **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Judge Schawe/Martin Ritchey; **Backup:** None.

Martin Ritchey recommended leaving the burn ban off due to the significant rainfall and upcoming precipitation.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Madrigal to leave the burn ban off. All voting "Aye".

2016.04.25.07 **Discussion/Action** to approve a donation to the Caldwell-Travis Soil & Water Conservation District in an amount not to exceed \$900.00. **Cost:** \$900.00; None; **Speaker:** Judge Schawe/Curby Ohnheiser; **Backup:** 1.

Judge Schawe stated this donation has been given in the past and is in the budget.

Motion made by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Muñoz to donate to the Caldwell-Travis Soil & Water Conservation District not to exceed \$900.00. All voting "Aye".

2016.04.25.08 **Discussion/Action** to approve the early voting locations and hours for the Primary Runoff Election on May 24, 2016. **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Judge Schawe/Pamela Ohlendorf; **Backup:** 1.

Elections Administrator, Pam Ohlendorf stated early voting for the Primary Runoff Election will begin May 16th through May 20th. The operating hours will be Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday and Friday will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Early voting will be available at the Scott Annex building in Lockhart and the Luling Civic Center.

Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the early voting locations and hours for the Primary Runoff Election. All voting "Aye".

2016.04.25.09 **Discussion/Action** to correct the October 26, 2015 Commissioners Court Minutes to reflect that item 2015.10.26.11, Page 3, authorizing the County Judge to solicit bids for the construction of Schuelke Road (CR 222) upon receipt of TxDOT authorization, to be funded by SH 130 Concession Funds was approved and not tabled for the November 9, 2015 meeting as was stated in the October 26th minutes. The original motion for approval was made by Commissioner Madrigal and seconded by Commissioner Munoz. (Cost: None; Speakers: Commissioner Madrigal; Backup:1). **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Judge Schawe; **Backup:** 1.

Judge Schawe explained this item is to correct an error in the Commissioners' Court minutes. Transportation Consultant, Michael Aulick agreed with the change to the minutes and announced opening bids for Schuelke Road are effective today. He estimated the Court would be able to select a contractor the second half of June.

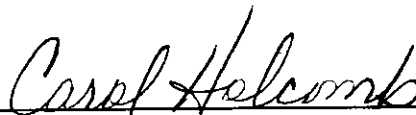
Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to correct the October 26, 2015 Commissioners Court Minutes to reflect that item 2015.10.26.11, Page 3, authorizing the County Judge to solicit bids for the construction of Schuelke Road upon receipt of TxDOT authorization, to be funded by SH 130 Concession Funds was approved and not tabled. All voting "Aye".

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- 2016.04.25.10** **Discussion/Action** to approve the amended Rules of Procedure of Commissioners Court. **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Judge Schawe; **Backup:** 19.
- Judge Schawe stated the changes to the Rules and Procedure of Commissioners Court are minor. Commissioner Muñoz explained the Civil Attorney looks over the agenda before it is posted and that is why an extra day was needed and added to the Rules and Procedure.
- Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Moses to approve the amended Rules of Procedure of Commissioners Court. All voting "Aye".
- 2016.04.25.11** **Discussion/Action** to approve the transfer of \$5,000 from FY2016 Caldwell County Justice Center matching funds to the Caldwell County Feral Hog Task Force General Fund. **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Commissioner Moses;/Nick Dornak; **Backup:** 13.
- Nick Dornak stated the Feral Hog Task Force received a \$25,000 grant last year from the Department of Agriculture along with \$13,000 from the county and explained they have spent all their funds. He said there is a grant competition available in May and hopes that grant will cover all funding for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. He stated they are in need of the funds for the upcoming grant competition. Commissioner Muñoz received clarification that there are enough funds for the justice center. Nick Dornak said the hog traps are now up and running.
- Motion made by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Muñoz to approve the transfer of \$5,000 from FY2016 Caldwell County Justice Center matching funds to the Caldwell County Feral Hog Task Force General Fund. All voting "Aye".
- 2016.04.25.12** **Discussion/Action** to approve the audit report for the fiscal year 2015-2016 as presented by Rutledge & Crain, PC. **Cost:** None. **Speakers:** Judge Schawe/Debra French/Chris Rutledge; **Backup:** 1.
- County Auditor, Debra French requested tabling this item until next meeting in May due to an error in the report.
- Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Moses to table this discussion until first meeting in May due to an error in the report. All voting "Aye".
- 2016.04.25.13** **Adjournment.** Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Moses to adjourn. All voting "Aye".
- Meeting Adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

I, CAROL HOLCOMB, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on April 25, 2016.





CAROL HOLCOMB, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS