

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

On **June 23, 2014** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Court Meeting Room, at the Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge
Reese Turner, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4 – Arrived at 9:43 a.m.
Brenda Ethier, Deputy County Clerk

Opening - 9:00 a.m.

Call to Order
Invocation
Pledges of Allegiance
Roll Call and Certification of Quorum

Consideration/Adoption of Agenda

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). Order #14-196

1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions.

a. Texas Historical Commission – 2013 Distinguished Service Award

Grace Holtkamp, Chairman of the Austin County Historical Commission, accepted the 2013 Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Historical Commission. She explained the requirements for receiving the award and projects the Commission is working on.

Judge Bilski introduced Leslie Avila and Lekieth Nunn, students who are part of the Houston-Galveston Worksource program working with Austin County for the summer.

2. Petitions or Requests from the Public.

Andy Johnson of Settlers Estates and Settlers Meadows in Sealy asked for clarification on the easements and drainage issues on their property. Judge Bilski suggested he speak with his Commissioner and Charles Kalkomey after the meeting.

Barbara Ziegler of San Felipe asked for help with flooding problems in her area. Per Judge Bilski, this will be discussed at the July 15, 2014 meeting on floodplain issues.

3. Consideration and possible action to approve preliminary plat of Pin Oak Creek Estates located in Precinct 2.

Charles Kalkomey recommended approval of the preliminary plat of Pin Oak Creek Estates on the conditions that the road dedication for Clens Road and the drainage issue be addressed on the final plat. Mr. Kalkomey and Commissioner Rinn will discuss the need for an easement on the creek.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). Order #14-197

4. Consideration and possible action to adopt Consent Agenda Format.

Remove May 12, 2014 minutes from the Consent Agenda Format for clarification.

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0). **Order #14-198**

- 5. Consent Agenda Items listed are of routine nature and may be acted on in a single motion unless requested otherwise by member of Commissioners Court.
 - a. Transmittal of Minutes
 - i. April 30, 2014
 - ii. May 12, 2014
 - iii. May 28 2014
 - iv. June 6, 2014
 - v. June 13, 2014
 - b. Consideration and possible action to renew Disaster Recovery and Debris Management with Crowder Gulf.
 - c. Consideration and possible action to authorize contract for election equipment between Austin County and City of Sealy for Run-Off Election on June 21, 2014.

d. Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Diana Parker, Court Coordinator for County Court At Law, to be held October 7-10, 2014 in San Antonio, Texas.

Under Item 3 of the May 12, 2014 minutes, there was an initial motion to table discussion with St. Joseph Hospital with Judge Bilski voting to break the tie. Judge Bilski actually voted with Commissioner Rinn and Commissioner Reichardt in opposition. She did not vote to break the tie. The motion failed with a vote of 4-1. The record should be amended to show Judge Bilski voting to terminate discussion and the vote should be amended to show the motion failed 4-1.

Motion to Amend: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). **Order # 14-199**

6. Ratify Secondary Rail Lease and Maintenance Agreement Addendum C between Austin County, Texas and Western International Gas & Cylinders, Inc. and Newman Trucking Co. Inc.

Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). **Order #14-200**

7. Consideration and possible action to authorize replacement of Air Conditioner Chill Water Unit.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). **Order #14-201**

8. May Activity Report by Sheriff Brandes.

Sheriff Brandes presented a check for \$1,000.00 donated to the Austin County Sheriff's Department by the Austin County Peace Officers Association and reviewed the May Activity Report. Three vehicles have been ordered at a cost of \$118,000.00 to be paid out of Forfeiture Funds.

Motion to Accept: Commissioner Reichardt, 2nd Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0). Order #14-202

Commissioner King arrived at 9:43 a.m.

9. Discussion regarding changing the name of E. Ueckert Road to Hoff Road where it is West of Waak Road only until the 90 degree bend and action as appropriate.

A public hearing will be scheduled for July 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. Notice will be published in the local newspaper and Austin County website.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).

Order #14-203

- 10. Budgetary and Financial Claims action as appropriate.
 - a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-204**

b. Budget Amendments

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-205**

c. County Auditor's review of finances

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2nd Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).

Order #14-206

- d. County Treasurer review of finances
 - i. Monthly Report April 2014 Reconciled

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2nd Commissioner King, passed (4-0). **Order #14-207**

- ii. Payroll & Escrow Report
- iii. Austin County Payroll & Escrow Report Bank Statement
- 11. Written end-of-the-month reports submitted by County Offices.
 - a. Constable Precinct 2 May 2014
 - b. Justice of the Peace, Precincts 1, 2 & 4 May 2014
 - c. County Court May 2014
 - d. Monthly Fees and Commissions from Tax Assessor-Collector May 2014
 - e. Texas ÁgriLife Extension Service April 2014
 - f. Austin County Library System May 2014
 - g. Jail Population May 2014
 - h. On-Site Sewage Facility May 2014

12. Commissioners Court Inquiry.

None.

Court adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS PROVIDED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT

I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the accuracy of the record of the Commissioners Court proceedings for June 23, 2014.



Date: / june 25, 2014

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Brenda Ethier, Deputy