

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Special Session
November 1, 2017

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Special Session November 1, 2017 at 9:30 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, TX

Members present: Scott Lee, County Judge
Jerry Cooper, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Larkin Jumper, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Charlie Emerson, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Sam Young, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Robert Zinn, Linda Bryan, Gail Reed, Cathy Jumper, Diane Newsom, Jerry Wilkerson, Peggy Wilkerson, Frankie Cooper, Donna McFarland, Ellen Jaggars, Lillie Bush-Reves, Carolyn Teague, Bryan Giguere, Joe D. Stanley, Bob McFarland, Jacque Miller, Jim Alford, Betty Sue Allen, Veronica Jordan, and Ron Barker

Judge Lee called the meeting to order and Commissioner Young offered prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was recited.

Agenda Item 1 - AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER – Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve all the claims against the county and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.
See Exhibit 11/1/2017 – A

Agenda Item 2 - CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON REVIEWING 2018 HOTEL / MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDING REQUESTS AND DISTRIBUTING AWARDED AMOUNTS – COUNTY JUDGE – Bob McFarland made some suggestions on how to allocate the hotel / motel occupancy tax funding request. Donna McFarland reported the state statute does not say anything about revenues have to be considered. \$49,375.00 is the amount of funds to be allocated less \$5,000 put aside for any future new events that may need funding. The final disbursement amount was \$44,375.00. After discussion the Commissioners' were in agreement that no funding was to go to the Holbrook Bed and Breakfast, Alamo Mission teepee project, and the Old Jail project through the Arts Alliance. They discussed allocating \$1,000 to Alamo Mission for signage and Chamber Texas Teams \$1,000. Also discussed dividing the rest of the funds equally between the other entities. The amount would be \$5,296.00 each. Commissioner Jumper suggested rounding that number to \$5,300. Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve the hotel / motel occupancy tax funding request to give the Alamo Mission \$1,000 for signage and Chamber Texas Teams \$1,000, Alamo Mission (operations), Arts Alliance, Chamber World Am Doubles, Franklin County Genealogical Society, Historical Association, Key Club Countryfest, Main Street Food and

Wine, Rotary Tour de Cypress, and Sulphur River Saddlery each a total of \$5,300. Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion and the motion carried 3 to 1. Commissioner Young voted against the motion. **See Exhibit 11/1/2017 - B**

Agenda Item 3 - CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING CASTING BALLOT FOR NOMINEES FOR 2018 – 2019 FRANKLIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to cast 1440 votes for County Judge Scott Lee as a nominee for the 2018 – 2019 Franklin County Appraisal District Board of Directors and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Jumper made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

I, Betty Crane, County Clerk certify that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of Commissioner's Court Special meeting on November 1, 2017.

Witnessed and recorded this 1st day of November, 2017.

Betty Crane, County Clerk