

Franklin County Commissioners' Court  
Commissioner Court Minutes  
Regular Session  
January 8, 2018

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session January 8, 2018 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse located at 200 North Kaufman Street, Mount Vernon, Texas

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:** Ellen Jagers, Jim Alford, Bill Travis, Terry Matthews, Sue Ann Harper, Lisa Lawrence, Todd Conradson, Gene Stump, Katie Stump, Cathy Jumper, Telisa Newman, Tina Phillips, Ricky Jones, Jeremy Cox and Lillie Bush-Reves

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

**Public Comments:** None

**Agenda Item 1 - APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 26, 2017 REGULAR SESSION AND DECEMBER 27, 2017 SPECIAL SESSION - COUNTY CLERK** – Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve the December 26, 2017 Regular Session minutes and the December 27, 2017 Special session minutes and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried

**Agenda Item 2 - 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 1/08/2018 – A**

**Agenda Item 3 – RECORD CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR REQUIRED CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS FOR BETTY CRANE – COUNTY CLERK** – County Clerk Betty Crane presented her Certificate of Completion for 20 hours of Continuing Education for 2017 to be put on record in the minutes. **See Exhibit 01/08/2018 - B**

**Agenda Item 4 - RECORD CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR REQUIRED CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS FOR ELLEN JAGGERS – COUNTY CLERK** – District Clerk Ellen Jagers presented her Certificate of Completion for 20 hours of Continuing Education for 2017 to be put on record in the minutes. **See Exhibit 01/08/2018 – C**

**Agenda Item 5 – PRESENT MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY REPORTS – DISTRICT CLERK** – District Clerk Ellen Jagers presented the monthly and quarterly reports for her office to be put on record in the Minutes. **See Exhibit 01/08/2018 - D**

**Agenda Item 6 - CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING RENEWAL OF PHONE SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN C&S COMMCO, INC. AND THE FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY – LISA LAWRENCE** – Commissioner Emerson made a motion to approve the renewal of the phone system maintenance agreement between C&S Commco, Inc and the Franklin County Library and to give permission for Library Director Lisa Lawrence to sign the document. Commissioner Cooper seconded the motion and the motion carried. **See Exhibit 01/08/2018 – E**

**Agenda Item 7 – CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR WATER DAMAGE REPAIR IN THE HOSPITAL BUILDING – COUNTY JUDGE** – Judge Lee reported the insurance adjuster had been to look at the water damage at the hospital and ServPro had removed the water from the hospital. Todd Conradson reported the insurance adjuster and ServPro called the company that deals with asbestos to check the hospital. He also reported a required mandatory meeting will be held for all bidding contractors to repair the damage at the hospital. Commissioner Young made a motion to approve advertising for bids for the water damage repair in the hospital building and Commissioner Emerson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** County Judge Lee reported Hurley Miller will present the new Ag Extension Agent (Sarah Brod) to Commissioners’ Court at the January 22, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Jumper reported he would like to use the metal building that belongs to the county that is located at Midway Cemetery. He would like to use it at the dump ground. He reported we need to find a place to put the old FEMA building that has been used at the dump ground. Sheriff Jones reported he would like to use some of the kitchen equipment from the hospital at the jail. Judge Lee requested having meetings to look over budgets and see what everyone needs and adjustments that can be made for the 2019 budget. Judge Lee reported there is a problem with jailers moving on to another county that pays more money after the county pays for their training. He reported the starting salary may need to be increased to encourage them to stay in Franklin County.

**Agenda Item 8 - RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: THE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO CONSIDER ACTION ON THREATENED OR PENDING LITIGATION – COUNTY JUDGE** - Judge Lee recessed the meeting into Executive Session at 9:40 AM. Attending the meeting was County Judge Scott Lee, Commissioner Precinct 1 Jerry Cooper, Commissioner Precinct 2 Larkin Jumper, Commissioner Precinct 3 Charlie Emerson, Commissioner Precinct 4 Sam Young, County Clerk Betty Crane, County Attorney Gene Stump, Sheriff Ricky Jones, and Tina Phillips.

**Agenda Item 9 – RECONVENE OPEN MEETING – COUNTY JUDGE** – Commissioners Court reconvened back into open session at 10:42 AM. No action taken.

Commissioner Emerson 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 Regular meeting on January 8, 2018.

Witnessed and recorded this 8<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.

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Betty Crane, County Clerk