

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
October 14, 2013

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session October 14, 2013 at 9:00 AM at the District Courtroom at the Franklin County Courthouse Annex located at 208 Highway 37, Mount Vernon, Texas

Members present: Paul Lovier, County Judge
Danny Chitsey, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Donnie Surratt, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Deryl Carr, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Sam Young, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Gene Stump, County Attorney
Betty Sue Allen, County Treasurer
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Willie Bane, Sandra Dunn, Gerry Allen, Sue Ann Harper, Jim Alford, Bryan Giguere, Ellen Jagers, Vivian Rhoades, Tina Phillips, Ricky Jones, Bert Edmondson, J. D. Baumgardner, Brian Philhower, Pam Buttrick, B. F. Hicks and Lillie Bush-Reves

Judge Lovier called the meeting to order and Commissioner Young offered prayer.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2013 REGULAR SESSION, OCTOBER 8, 2013 WORKSHOP SESSION, AND THE OCTOBER 10, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION- COUNTY CLERK – Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2013 regular session, October 8, 2013 workshop session, and the October 10, 2013 Special session. Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER - Commissioner Young made a motion to approve all the claims against the county including an additional claim to Myers Enterprises, Inc in the amount of \$2,265.00. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
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MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY REPORTS - County Treasurer Betty Sue Allen presented the September monthly reports and the third quarter reports. Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the September monthly reports and the third quarter reports as presented and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
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FIRST READING REPLAT OF EL DORADO BAY SUBDIVISION LOT 2R (B.F. HICKS FOR RKBK MANAGEMENT, LLC) -Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the first reading of El Dorado Bay subdivision, lot 2R and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

FIRST READING DEPLAT OF KING'S COUNTRY SUBDIVISION LOT 12 BLOCK 5 SECTION V – B.F. HICKS FOR FIREBAUGH FAMILY LIMITED - Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the Deplat of King's Country subdivision Lot 12 Block 5, Section V and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SECOND READING REPLAT KING'S COUNTRY LOT 16R-1 BLOCK 60 SECTION 4 – BRIAN PHILHOWER – Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the replat of King's Country Lot 16R-1, Block 60 of Section 4 and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Plat Cabinet # 287A

APPROVE FRANKLIN COUNTY HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX BOARD MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL SESSIONS FROM BEGINNING TO CURRENT – WILLIE BANE - Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the Franklin County Hotel Occupancy Tax Board Minutes of the Special Sessions from beginning to current and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTIC INSPECTOR – DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE – GERRY ALLEN – Gerry Allen reported he had not received any new applications other than the three he had already received and had been discussed in Commissioners' Court. He recommended Juan Fuentes as the Septic Inspector since he meets all the qualifications. Mr. Allen reported the Court will need to address a couple of items in another meeting. Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve Juan Fuentes as the Franklin County Septic Inspector, Designated Representative and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

PRESENT 2013 FRANKLIN COUNTY JAIL INSPECTION - SHERIFF – Sheriff Ricky Jones reported the Franklin County Jail has been inspected by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards on September 25, 2013 and the Jail is in compliance with the Texas Minimum Jail Standards. He presented the Certificate of Compliance and the letter he received from the Texas Commission on Jail Standards to be put on record in the minutes. He also reported the man that inspected the jail suggested the sprinkler system supply line be inspected. It needs to be inspected by someone who can do what they call a "flow test". This determines the amount of what water output of the sprinkler system.

RECORD 15 HOURS OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AND 5 HOURS OF PUBLIC FUND INVESTMENT ACT EARNED BY BETTY SUE ALLEN, COUNTY TREASURER – TREASURER - Betty Sue Allen presented her Certificates for 15 hours of Continuing Education and 5 hours of Public Fund Investment Act to be put on record in the minutes. See Volume 1V Page _____

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING EXPLORING P3 (PUBLIC POWER POOL) IN AN EFFORT TO LOWER THE COUNTY'S ELECTRIC BILLS – TREASURER - Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the treasurer to explore P3 (Public Power Pool) in an effort to lower the County's electric bills and Commissioner Young seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING A NOMINEE FOR THE FRANKLIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT – COUNTY JUDGE- Judge Lovier reported it was time to make nominations for the Franklin County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to nominate the all incumbent Board Members. The incumbent Board Members are Paul Lovier, Roger Gekiere, Dave Hickerson, Dan Noteware and Jay Scott. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF THE CONFEDERATE MONUMENT FROM THE FRANKLIN COUNTY COURTHOUSE TO FUTURE VETERANS' MEMORIAL ON CITY SQUARE – J D BAUMGARDNER

Mr. Baumgardner informed the Court the future Veterans' Memorial will be located on the south west corner of the City Square. Commissioner Carr made the motion to approve the transfer of the Confederate monument located at the Franklin County Courthouse to the southwest corner of the City Square and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2014 COUNTY GRANT FOR TEXANS FEEDING TEXANS HOME-DELIVERED MEAL GRANT PROGRAM – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the 2014 County Grant for Texans Feeding Texans Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program with a county match in the amount of \$856.50 and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

COURTHOUSE RESTORATION – Judge Lovier reported some good news that the Texas Historical Commission had finally approved the texture of the plaster.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO MAKE PAYROLL CHANGES AT THE REQUEST OF ELECTED OFFICIALS – TREASURER –

Commissioner Young made a motion to approve authorizing the Treasurer to make payroll changes at the request of the elected official as long as it is within their budget and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING PROPOSED 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT CONCERNING THE AIRPORT – COUNTY AUDITOR - Auditor Tina Phillips reported the funds will come out of the funds that had already been set aside for the airport overlay project. Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the 2013 budget amendment in the amount of \$70,000 for the airport overlay project and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

APPROVE THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION – TINA PHILLIPS FOR RHONDA

WEATHERFORD – Auditor Tina Phillips presented the September 24, 2013 Special Session minutes of the Franklin County Child Welfare Board. Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the September 24, 2013 Special Session Minutes of the Franklin County Child Welfare Board and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD STANDING RULES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2013 – TINA PHILLIPS FOR RHONDA WEATHERFORD

– Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the Franklin County Child Welfare Board's Standing Rules effective September 2013 and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page _____

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Sheriff Ricky Jones reported there had been another leak in the roof in the room by dispatch. Treasurer Betty Sue Allen reported she suggested evaluation sheets be done since the raises in 2014 would be given on merit to the County employees. County Clerk Betty Crane reminded everyone that candy was needed for Trick or Treat around the Square.

Commissioner Surratt made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Young 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 October 14, 2013.

Witnessed and recorded this 14th day of October, 2013.

Betty Crane, County Clerk