

Franklin County Commissioners' Court  
Commissioner Court Minutes  
Regular Session  
June 10, 2013

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session June 10, 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: Leon Pless, Sandra Dunn, Gerry Allen, Sue Ann Harper, Jim Alford, Bryan Giguere, Ellen Jagers, Margaret Sears, Vivian Rhoades, Tina Phillips, Ricky Jones, Gerry Allen, Zach Jagers, Randy Green, and Lillie Bush-Reves

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

**APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MAY 28, 2013 REGULAR SESSION, MAY 28, 2013 WORKSHOP AND MAY 31, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION – COUNTY CLERK –**

Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 28, 2013 Regular Session, May 28, 2013 Workshop Session, and the May 31, 2013 Special session. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT –**

**TREASURER** – Treasurer Betty Sue Allen reported she was removing three invoices to be paid from Ergon because they had billed the county at the new rates which had not gone into effect until June 1<sup>st</sup>. She reported those invoices will be paid at the next meeting. She also had one additional claim to be added from Stone Livestock Commission in the amount of \$106.18. Commissioner Young made a motion to approve paying the claims against the county including one additional claim from Stone Livestock Commission in the amount of \$106.18. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. See Vol. 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**MONTHLY REPORTS** - County Treasurer Betty Sue Allen presented the May 2013 monthly reports. Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve the May 2013 monthly reports as presented and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING AMOUNT OF AUTHORITY INDIVIDUALS HAVE FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY SPORTS COMPLEX EXPENDITURES – PRECINCT 1** - No action taken.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF 40 HOURS SICK LEAVE FROM CHARLIE EMERSON TO BROOK BUSSELL - SHERIFF-**

Commissioner Young made a motion to approve Charlie Emerson transferring forty hours of sick leave to Brook Bussell and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF FRANKLIN COUNTY ENTERING INTO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR CITY STREET REPAIR WITH THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON – PRECINCT 3**

Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve Franklin County entering into a three year Interlocal Agreement for city street repair with the City of Mount Vernon and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_ Commissioner Young stated he would like to negotiate assistance from the City of Mount Vernon with the Franklin County Library during budget time.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF FRANKLIN COUNTY ENTERING INTO INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR CITY STREET REPAIR WITH THE CITY OF WINNSBORO – PRECINCT 3**

Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve Franklin County entering into a three year Interlocal Agreement for city street repair with the City of Winnsboro and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING CONTRACT WITH AUCTIONEERS EXPRESS - SHERIFF-**

Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the open ended contract with Auctioneers Express and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**COURTHOUSE RESTORATION** – Judge Lovier presented the Notice to Proceed to Construction letter he had received from the Texas Historical Commission. He reported this letter indicates the renovation on the interior project of the courthouse can be started.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD MEMBERS – COUNTY JUDGE**

Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve Dwayne Smith, Cynthia Kent, Stevie Evans, Jennifer Beene, Lawrence Coleman, Donya Barker, Nancy Gadlin, Linda Hammond, and Ronda Weatherford to be the Franklin County Welfare Board Members. Commissioner Young seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING CHANGING THE SALARY FOR COLLIN CLASBY FROM PART-TIME TO FULL-TIME - SHERIFF**

Commissioner Surratt made a motion to change Collin Clasby's salary to a full time position and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE MAY 2013 REVISED GUIDELINES OF THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM – COUNTY JUDGE**

- Judge Lovier explained the Revolving Loan Fund Guidelines had been revised in the May 2013 Revised Guidelines of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program. One revision is the loan will not cover working capital of inventory. The purchase of land, buildings and equipment are eligible items but must be approved by TDA first. Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the May 2013 Revised Guideline of the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES ACROSS COUNTY ROAD NW 1050 BY FARMERS ELECTRICAL COOPERATIVE – COUNTY JUDGE**

- Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve the request to construct an electrical power distribution facility across county road NW 1050 by Farmers Electrical Cooperative and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESENT MINUTES FROM THE MAY 29, 2013 LEPC MEETING – GERRY ALLEN**

Mr. Allen presented the Minutes from the May 29, 2013 LEPC meeting and requested this to be put on record in the Commissioners' Court Minutes.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING DEPUTATION OF CHRISTEN GARCIA AS A DEPUTY IN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE – DISTRICT CLERK**

- Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the deputation of Christen Garcia as a deputy in the Franklin County District Clerk's office and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1T Page \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Commissioner Chitsey reported the NETO building is leaking from the roof in the front of the building. Sheriff Jones reported receiving notice from COG that Franklin County had received \$35,000 from the Homeland Security Grant. Auditor Tina Phillips reported the budget hearings will be scheduled earlier in the year this year and she has scheduled a couple of meetings in the evening for the volunteer fire departments.

Commissioner Surratt made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Chitsey 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 June 10, 2013.

Witnessed and recorded this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013.

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Betty Crane, County Clerk