

Franklin County Commissioners' Court  
Commissioner Court Minutes  
Regular Session  
February 10, 2014

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session February 10, 2014 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  
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Steve Slaton, Bill Wilson, Timothy Smith, Jeromy Cullen, Lisa Lawrence, Melissa McSwain, Saundra Dunn, Don Jancosek, Jenny Jancosek, Tina Phillips, Lillie Bush-Reves, Bryan Giguere, Vivian Rhoades, Robert Zinn, Ellen Jagers, Jim Alford, Stephen Boorman, Ricky Jones, Dwayne Smith, Willie Drabble, Betty Sue Allen

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

**APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 27, 2014 REGULAR SESSION, AND JANUARY 27, 2014 WORKSHOP SESSION - COUNTY CLERK** – Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2014 regular session, and the January 27, 2014 workshop session. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER -** Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve all the claims against the county and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Vol. 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_

**MONTHLY AND QUARTERLY REPORTS** - County Treasurer Betty Sue Allen presented the fourth quarter quarterly reports for 2013 and January 2014 monthly reports. Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the monthly and quarterly reports as presented and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1V Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY AND TXDPS TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY TO PERFORM THE INITIAL PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR TXDPS ELECTION IDENTIFICATION CERTIFICATES (EICs) AT ONE OR MORE SITES SELECTED BY THE COUNTY USING MOBILE ELECTION IDENTIFICATION EQUIPMENT (MOBILE EIC CENTERS) PROVIDED BY TXDPS – COUNTY JUDGE** - Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Franklin County and TXDPS which will authorize the Franklin County Sheriff's Office the ability to process applications for TXDPS Election Identification Certificates. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. It was agreed the Sheriff's Office will set their own hours and either party may voluntarily cancel the contract for any reason upon thirty calendar day written notice to the other Party.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING FRANKLIN COUNTY SPORTS COMPLEX**

**COMMITTEE BY LAWS- STEVE SLATON** - The Commissioners' had several questions including what constitutes a quorum and rotation of members of the Board, term limits and number of consecutive terms. Commissioner Surratt made a motion to table this agenda item until the February 24<sup>th</sup> meeting and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**PRESENT 2013 CONTINUING EDUCATION CERTIFICATES FOR COMMISSIONER DONNIE**

**SURRATT (PCT 2)** – Commissioner Surratt presented Certificates of Participation from The Texas A&M AgrilLife Extension Service and The V. G. Young Institute of County Government to be put on record. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH TYLER TECHNOLOGIES TO IMPLEMENT THE TYLER DATAEXCHANGE PROGRAM FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY – DISTRICT CLERK**

- District Clerk Ellen Jagers explained this would enable counties that use Tyler Technologies Software to share data. Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the Participation Agreement with Tyler Technologies to implement the Tyler DataXChange Program for Franklin County and Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1W page \_\_\_\_\_

**OPEN AND AWARD BIDS FOR REPAIR WORK AT FRANKLIN COUNTY AIRPORT – COUNTY JUDGE**

– Treasurer Betty Sue Allen reported she had received no response for bids even though bids were advertised two weeks in the newspaper. No bids were presented. No action taken.

**COURTHOUSE RESTORATION- STANDING AGENDA ITEM- COUNTY JUDGE**

- Bill Wilson from MMI reported receiving 75% of the HVAC units and 17 of the units had been hung. He also reported receiving approval from the Texas Historical Commission for the replicated metal panels for the ceilings. Commissioner Young asked if the IT wiring and stations were available in the offices. Stephen Boorman with Network Technologies reported he had no idea where the connections are and he was not a professional wire puller. County Auditor questioned if there would be anything else the county would be responsible for other than wiring for phones, camera and IT cables. The question of how big a generator was needed for the courthouse and how much would one cost.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENTS – COUNTY**

**AUDITOR** - Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the 2013 budget amendments and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING DONATION OF FURNITURE AND PAINTINGS FOR THE FRANKLIN COUNTY LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM BY AN INDIVIDUAL AND THE REDISTRIBUTION OF EXISTING FURNITURE AND PAINTINGS – COUNTY LIBRARIAN**

– Librarian Lisa Lawrence requested permission to accept the donation from an individual for new furniture and paintings for the Franklin County Library conference room. She also requested donating the furniture that was going to be replaced to the Friends of the Library to be used as a possible fund raiser. Commissioner Surratt made a motion to approve the acceptance of donated furniture and paintings to the Franklin County Library and to donate the furniture that was going to be replaced to the Friends of the Library and Commissioner Carr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CIRA FOR COUNTY WEBSITE – ROBERT ZINN**

– Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the service agreement with CIRA for the county website and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REQUEST PLACED WITH COG IN REFERENCE TO REALLOCATED MONEY FROM GRANT YEAR 2013 – ROBERT ZINN –**

Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the request placed with COG in reference to \$19,500 reallocated money from the current Homeland Security Grant year 2013 and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_  
These funds are to be used with the ongoing project, Grant 13-SR-48159-01 by the Franklin County Sheriff's Office to purchase Mobile Data Terminals. The extra funds will allow for the purchase of two additional Mobile Data Terminals. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING ENTERING INTO SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH 359 SOLUTIONS FOR SECURITY CAMERAS AT THE COURTHOUSE – COUNTY JUDGE –**

Commissioner Young made a motion to approve entering into a Service Agreement with 359 Solutions for security cameras at the courthouse. Commissioner Surratt seconded the motion and the motion carried. See Volume 1W Page \_\_\_\_\_. The court discussed adding conduit to every office in the courthouse even though cameras will not be used in all of the offices at this time. If it is not done at this time it will not be able to be done at a later date. The court was thinking towards the future in case offices are moved to other areas in the courthouse and the possible need for cameras in those areas. They also discussed adding four or more cameras to some offices after the first of the year and it could be budgeted into the 2015 budget. The funds are there but they are not budgeted in the 2014 budget. Jeromy Cullen was instructed to come back at the next meeting with information on the added conduit and cameras.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:** Sheriff Jones reported a refrigerator went out in the kitchen and had to purchase a new refrigerator for about \$5,000.

Commissioner Surratt made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Carr 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 February 10, 2014.

Witnessed and recorded this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014.

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Betty Crane, County Clerk