

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
June 27, 2016

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session June 27, 2016 at 9:00 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
Danny Chitsey, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Larkin Jumper, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Deryl Carr, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Sam Young, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Betty Crane, County Clerk

VISITORS: Sue Ann Harper, B. F. Hicks, Henry Hermann, Robert Sterling Long, Pat Hudson, Karen Smith, Mary Lou Russell, Lindsey Yeager, Margaret Sears, Jeremy Cox, Todd Conradson, Bill Travis, Robert Moore, Lisa Lawrence, Jerry Cooper, Gene Stump, Ricky Jones, Tina Phillips, Bryan Giguere, Cathy Jumper, Betty Sue Allen, and Lillie Bush-Reves

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

Public Comments: - Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent Lindsey Yeager reported on the recent events and activities she had attended as well as informed the court about future events and activities coming up.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE JUNE 13, 2016 REGULAR SESSION, JUNE 13 AND JUNE 20, 2016 WORKSHOP SESSIONS - COUNTY CLERK – Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve the minutes from June 13, 2016 Regular Session June 13 and June 20 workshops sessions and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried

AUDIT CLAIMS AGAINST THE COUNTY AND AUTHORIZE THEIR PAYMENT – TREASURER – Commissioner Young made a motion to approve all the claims against the county and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried.
See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - A

SECOND READING REPLAT LOT 9G-R PHASE VII NORTHSORE SUBDIVISION – (HENRY & MARGARET HERMANN) – Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the second reading of the replat of Lot 9G-R, Phase VII in the Northshore subdivision and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried. See Plat Cabinet #301 B-2

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REIMBURSEMENT GRANT THROUGH TAC FOR NEW BODY ARMOR FOR FIVE FRANKLIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE DEPUTIES - ROBERT MOORE, FCSO- Robert Moore reported each vest cost around \$700 and the county would receive reimbursement from TAC in January 2017. Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve accepting the reimbursement grant through TAC for five new body armor for the Franklin County Sheriff's Office deputies. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - B**

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING REIMBURSEMENT GRANT THROUGH TAC FOR RISK CONTROL – COUNTY TREASURER - Treasurer Betty Sue Allen reported \$14,418.00 is available for the county portion of the reimbursement grant through TAC. She reported Commissioner Jumper has applied for numerous items such as safety gear, signs, security camera monitoring as well as other items. Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve receiving funds from the reimbursement grant through TAC for Risk Control and Commissioner Carr seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - C**

PRESENT TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION'S 2015 DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD TO FRANKLIN COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION – COUNTY JUDGE - Judge Lee presented the Texas Historical Commission's 2015 Distinguished Service Award to the Franklin County Historical Commission. Members of the Historical Commission present were B. F. Hicks, Robert Sterling Long, Pat Hudson, Karen Smith and Mary Lou Russell.

PRESENT CERTIFICATE FOR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF 96-HOUR BASIC COUNTY JAIL COURSE FOR TODD CONRADSON – TODD CONRADSON - Todd Conradson presented his Basic County Jail Course Certificate showing he had successfully completed a 96 hour course to the County Clerk to be put on record in the minutes. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 –D**

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING 2016 BUDGET AMENDMENTS – COUNTY AUDITOR – Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve the 2016 Budget Amendments and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - E**

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING FARMERS ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE'S REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT ELECTRICAL POWER DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES ACROSS FRANKLIN COUNTY ROAD NW 1040 – PRECINCT 1 COMMISSIONER - Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve Farmers Electric Cooperative's request to construct electrical power distribution facilities across County Road NW 1040 and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - F**

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING NEW SERVICE FEE FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICE FOR ORDER OF RETRIEVAL PURSUANT TO TEXAS PROPERTY CODE SEC.24A.002, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2017 – FEE WILL BE \$125.00 AND AN ADDITIONAL \$5 CITATION FEE – COUNTY AUDITOR - Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the new service fee for the Justice of the Peace office. The new fee is for an Order of Retrieval pursuant to Texas Property Code Sec. 24A.002 and to become effective January 1, 2017. The fee is to be \$125.00 and an additional \$5 citation fee. Commissioner Young seconded the motion and the motion carried.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING SUSPENDING LAW LIBRARY FEE COLLECTED ON CIVIL CASES – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Jumper made a motion to table taking action on suspending the law library fee collected on civil cases and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried. The court decided to wait until the Auditor and the County Attorney discuss what could be done with the Law Library Fee.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING FILLING COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT POSITION – COUNTY JUDGE – No action taken at this time. The Court wants to discuss the County Extension Agent position during the budget workshop.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Judge Lee reported receiving a letter from the Department of Agriculture stating there is low interest loans available for eligible applicants because of the disaster. Commissioner Jumper reported receiving a letter that the County Attorney prepared to send to Dr. Walker. **See Exhibit 6/27/2016 - G**

Judge Lee recessed the Regular Session at 9:36 AM. Judge Lee called the budget workshop session to order at 10:10 AM since one person that needed to be in the Executive Session was in District Court.

RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION: THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT WILL RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AS PER GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 551.047(A)(1) TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DUTIES, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE – COUNTY JUDGE – Judge Lee recessed into Executive Session at 10:11 AM.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING – COUNTY JUDGE – Judge Lee reconvened back into open session at 11:47 AM. No action taken.

Commissioner Young made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Commissioner Jumper 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 27, 2016

Witnessed and recorded this 27th day of June, 2016.

Betty Crane, County Clerk