

Franklin County Commissioners' Court
Commissioner Court Minutes
Regular Session
January 26, 2015

The Franklin County Commissioners' Court met in Regular Session January 26, 2015 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: Bert Edmondson, Jenny Dennis, Joe Jancosek, Jan Theilen, George Theilen, Tina Phillips, Bryan Giguere, Ellen Jagers, Sandra Dunn, Margaret Sears, Cathy Jumper, Sue Ann Harper, Jean Latortue, Jeremy Cox, Zach Jagers, Jim Alford, Robert Zinn, V. J. Rhoades and Lillie Bush-Reves

Judge Lee called the meeting to order and offered prayer.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 12, 2015 REGULAR SESSION, – COUNTY CLERK –
Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2015 regular session and Commissioner Young second 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 one additional claim to the Comptroller in the amount of \$600.97 and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1Y Page _____

FIRST READING REPLAT OF TALL TREE SUBDIVISION LOT 48R BLOCK 13 SECTION 3 - GEORGE B. THEILEN FOR GEORGE B. THEILEN GENERATION SKIPPING TRUST -
Commissioner Young made a motion to approve the first reading of Tall Tree Subdivision Lot 48R, Block 13, Section 3 and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING FUNDING FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL FROM HOSPITAL BUILDING – DR JEAN LATORTUE - Dr. Latortue reported asbestos had been discovered in the hospital building and requested the County to be responsible for the clean-up. Judge Lee read Article III from the Lease Agreement stating the building was in good, operable condition and there are no defects hidden. See Volume 1Y Page _____ to view Article III from the Lease Agreement. Dr. Latortue reported he had a proposal from Farmers Group for the removal of the asbestos in the amount of \$27,000. Judge Lee asked if Dr. Latortue had received any other proposals from other companies. Dr. Latortue reported this is one of the best companies and reported they are bonded. Commissioner Chitsey reported he had looked over the building and believes there is more asbestos in other areas of the building. Dr. Latortue stated the \$27,000 will take care of all the asbestos in the building. Dr. Latortue reported he was needing the removal done as quickly as possible. This company will start the process on February 2nd and will take about 5 days to complete. Commissioner Young pointed out that Farmers oversees a contractor that works under them. Dr. Latortue reported it is a package deal and they take care of the clean-up, inspection and monitoring for a year. Auditor Tina Phillips reported the funds could possibly come from the \$100,000

budgeted for the remodel of Annex East and the Old Jail. Commissioner Carr made a motion to approve funding the asbestos removal no more than \$27,000 contingent to signing a contract and Commissioner Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. See Volume 1Y Page _____ to see proposal from Farmers.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,288.65 TO COPSYNC, INC FOR NEW EQUIPMENT- PURCHASE AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED BY ATCOG GRANT AFTER INSTALLATION – ROBERT ZINN - Robert Zinn reported this is the final phase of the ATCOG grant and the funds would be used to purchase printers for laptops. The County would be fully reimbursed after the installation. Commissioner Chitsey made a motion to approve the payment in the amount of \$3,288.65 to Copsync, Inc for new equipment and Commissioner Jumper seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,535.00 TO INTERACTIVE PRODUCTIVITY SOLUTIONS FOR NEW LAPTOPS – PURCHASE AMOUNT TO BE REIMBURSED BY ATCOG GRANT AFTER INSTALLATION - Robert Zinn reported the County will be reimbursed \$20,535.00 after the installation of the laptops from the ATCOG Grant. Commissioner Jumper made a motion to approve the payment in the amount of \$20,535.00 to Interactive Productivity Solutions for new laptops and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENT 20.5 HOURS CONTINUING EDUCATION CERTIFICATE FOR SCOTT LEE – COUNTY JUDGE - County Judge Scott Lee presented his 20.5 hours Continuing Education Certificate and requested it be put on record in the minutes. See Volume 1Y Page _____

PRESENT 20.5 HOURS CONTINUING EDUCATION CERTIFICATE FOR LARKIN JUMPER – PRECINCT 2 – Commissioner Larkin Jumper presented his 20.5 hours Continuing Education Certificate and requested it be put on record in the minutes. See Volume 1Y Page _____

PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT AND TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TRAINING FOR SCOTT LEE – COUNTY JUDGE – County Judge Scott Lee presented his Certificates of Completion for the Public Information Act and the Texas Open Meetings Act training and requested they be put on record in the minutes. See Volume 1Y Page _____

PRESENT CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT AND TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT TRAINING FOR LARKIN JUMPER – PRECINCT 2 – Commissioner Larkin Jumper presented his Certificates of Completion for the Public Information Act and the Texas Open Meetings Act training and requested they be put on record in the minutes. See Volume 1Y Page _____

PRESENT 2014 CONTINUING EDUCATION CERTIFICATE FOR THE COMPLETION OF 6 HOURS FOR SAM YOUNG – PRECINCT 4 – Commissioner Sam Young presented his 2014 Continuing Education Certificate for the completion of 6 hours and requested it be put on file in the minutes. See Volume 1Y Page _____

PRESENT 2014 CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION TRAINING FOR STEVE AUSTIN, FRANKLIN COUNTY VERERANS SERVICE OFFICER – COUNTY JUDGE - County Judge Scott Lee presented the 2014 Certificate of Completion of Texas Veterans Commission training for Franklin County Veterans Officer Steve Austin and requested it put on record in the minutes. CLERKS NOTE – no certificate presented in Court.

COURTHOUSE RESTORATION – STANDING AGENDA ITEM – COUNTY JUDGE – Auditor Tina Phillips reported the list that has been given to MMI of items that needed to be fixed or repaired has had some progress. She also reported she needed the specs to know what generator is needed for the Courthouse and was she getting quotes for railings.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING KATIE STUMP DONATING 10 HOURS OF SICK LEAVE TO JESSICA GUTHRIE – COUNTY JUDGE – Commissioner Young made a motion to approve Katie Stump donating ten hours of sick leave to Jessica Guthrie and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING JANET MIDDLETON DONATING 10 HOURS OF SICK LEAVE TO JESSICA GUTHRIE – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE - Commissioner Young made a motion to approve Janet Middleton donating ten hours of sick leave to Jessica Guthrie and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING MISTY MARTIN DONATING 4 HOURS OF SICK LEAVE TO JESSICA GUTHRIE – JUSTICE OF THE PEACE - Commissioner Young made a motion to approve Misty Martin donating four hours of sick leave to Jessica Guthrie and Commissioner Chitsey seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Judge Lee reported the County Judge is a member of the NETO Board and he was designating Larkin Jumper as his representative. Jeremy Cox reported the Industrial Foundation will donate 5.5 acres for an animal shelter and he reported he had several plans for the shelter. Commissioner Carr reported the generator batteries are dead at the Annex East building.

Commissioner Jumper 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 January 26, 2015.

Witnessed and recorded this 26th day of January, 2015.

Betty Crane, County Clerk