

### **COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

On **April 8, 2013** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Second Floor Courtroom and Commissioners Court Meeting Room, Austin County Courthouse with the following present:

Carolyn Bilski, County Judge
Reese Turner, Commissioner, Precinct 1
Robert "Bobby" Rinn, Commissioner, Precinct 2
Randy Reichardt, Commissioner, Precinct 3
Douglas King, Commissioner, Precinct 4
Cyndi Gomez, Deputy County Clerk

Opening - 8:45 a.m.

Call to Order Invocation Pledges of Allegiance Certification of Quorum

Consideration/Adoption of Agenda

Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #13-96** 

- 1. Proclamations and Special Recognitions
  - a. Austin County Government Week; recognition and introduction of officials, students, and participants in County Youth Government Day.
- 2. Review of County Youth Government Day schedule and program to follow.
- 3. Proclamations and Special Recognitions
  - a. Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month

Cynthia Escobar, of Focusing Families reviewed services that are provided. Also present were Kim Mathis, Allene Schmitt and Mary Rodriguez.

b. National Telecommunicator's Week

# RECESS FOR AGENDA ITEMS UNTIL 1:00 P.M. IN COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM

Court recessed at 9:00 a.m.

Court reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

### 1:00 P.M. OPEN BID PROPOSALS

Open bid proposals for Star Hill Road at Post Oak Point Creek bridge project, and action as appropriate.

Wakefield Bridge, \$180,125.00. Bid will be reviewed and brought back to court April 22, 2013

Motion to Postpone: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #13-97

5. Update on County Health Insurance, and action as appropriate.

Don Wallace, of Wallace & Associates and Craig Murphy, of UMR reviewed quotes, coverages, plans and claims.

Mr. Murphy proposed continuing administration with UMR; adopt Stop Loss with ISU for \$65,000.00, reduce fixed costs by 16.51% with no changes in benefits, and change policy to 90 day probation period effective June 1, 2013, per UMR's Healthcare Reform Group.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #13-98

Sharon McCowin asked for specification for policy with regard to employees working over 30 hours per week, over a 52 hour work period to be eligible for health insurance?

Per Judge Bilski, eligibility is any employee working a 30 hour work week, Monday through Sunday, or a work schedule and implementing a 90 day probation period for new hires, effective June 1, 2013.

Consideration and possible action to authorize interlocal agreement between Austin County and the Town of San Felipe for use of firing range.

A 25 year lease was prepared by the District Attorney's office and accepted by Sheriff Brandes for the Mark Ackley Firing Range. The County can make repairs to fences and necessities to provide safeguards.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).

Order #13-99

7. Consideration and possible action to grant request for one-time variance from subdivision platting of one acre tract out of parent 64.347 acre tract on Mieth Road and FM 3013 located in Precinct 4 for Miguel Lantigua to Luis Maya.

Replace pipe at original 5299 Mieth Road address.

Motion to Grant: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #13-100

8. Consideration and possible action to approve application for required schooling reimbursement for Betty Jez, County Auditor, to be held May 7-10, 2013 in Austin, Texas.

Motion to Approve: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #13-101

- 9. Budgetary and Financial Claims action as appropriate
  - a. Payment of Claims

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). **Order #13-102** 

b. Budget Amendments

Motion to Accept: Commissioner King, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0). Order #13-103

c. County Auditor's and Treasurer's review of finances

None.

- 10. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices
  - a. County Mixed Beverage Report 2012
  - b. OSSF Activity Report March 2013

Court recessed at 1:52 p.m.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:

- 1. Consultation with attorney litigation. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.071).
- 2. Personnel Matters. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.074).

Court reconvened at 2:55 p.m.

## 11. Action as appropriate from Executive Session

Pay invoice of \$39,381.59 to Olson & Olson out of Professional Services.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0). Order #13-104

Support the Sheriff's suggestion to enhance security within the courthouse, and hire a part-time deputy for 30 hours a week. To be paid the same salary as bailiff at \$17,020.00 out of Court House Security fund.

Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner King, passed (4-0). Order #13-105

## 12. Commissioners Court Inquiry

- Ron Dille has new Ambulance to show the Court.
- Next meeting April 22, 2013

Court adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

# ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS ON FILE WITH COUNTY CLERK AS PROVIDED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT

I, Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk, attest to the accuracy of the record of the Commissioners Court proceedings for April 8, 2013.

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COUNTY OFFER

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clark

Clerk of Commissioners Court

Austin County, Texas

By: Cyndi Gomez, Deputy