



**CARRIE GREGOR**  
AUSTIN COUNTY CLERK

## **COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

On **August 26, 2013** Austin County Commissioners Court met in the Commissioners Courtroom at the 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 – 9:00 a.m.**

**Call to Order**  
**Invocation**  
**Pledges of Allegiance**  
**Certification of Quorum**

Commissioner King was delayed.

### **Consideration/Adoption of Agenda**

Executive Session at 9:30 a.m. with Larry Chaney, Chaney & Chaney.

*Motion to Adopt: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-286**

### **1. Petitions or Requests from the Public.**

Sonja Schneider, Leader of Boy Scout Troop #36 was present with scouts Daniel Kutch, Aaron Kutch and Robert Schneider, to earn badges.

### **2. Transmittal of Minutes.**

- a. July 1, 2013
- b. July 8, 2013

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-287**

- 3. Consideration and possible action to authorize Swanson Services Corporation Cobra Phone-it-in Service Agreement with Austin County Sheriff's Department.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-288**

- 4. Consideration and possible action to authorize purchase of official record binders out of Records Management 137-010-0000 in the amount of \$150.59.**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-289**

- 5. Consideration and possible action to authorize change order for work in County Clerk's vault.**

Order for \$980.00.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Rinn, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-290**

- 6. Consideration and possible action to continue participation in CountyChoice Silver Retiree Medical Program at no cost to the County.**

*Motion to Approve: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (3-0).*  
**Order #13-291**

- 8. Budget Workshop – action as appropriate**

- a. Revenues and Expenditures**

- 7. Budgetary and Financial Claims – action as appropriate.**

- a. Payment of Claims**

Per Judge Bilski, hold payment for Xpernet Services, Inc. \$9,134.50 until clarification and Public Hearing next week. Court needs to approve purchase order, contract and expenditures.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #13-292**

**b. Budget Amendments**

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Rinn, passed (4-0).  
Order #13-293*

**d. County Treasurer review of finances**

Larry Chaney, Chaney & Chaney, reassured the Court that money is not missing. His main concern is the County's software. The Treasurer and Auditor have to patch work everything generated. He feels the County needs to purchase a new software system.

**c. County Auditor's review of finances**

**8. Budget Workshop – Continued**

**b. Budget Letter Draft**

Letter regarding Proposed Budget 2013 – 2014.

*Motion to Accept: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).  
Order #13-294*

**9. Written end-of-the month reports submitted by County Offices.**

- a. County Clerk Court Activity – July 2013**
- b. Austin County Library System – July 2013**
- c. OSSF Activity – July 2013**
- d. Constable, Precincts 1, 2, 3 & 4**
- e. Justice of The Peace, Precincts 1, 2, 3 & 4**

Court recessed at 9:55 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**A closed meeting will be held concerning the following items:**

- 1. Personnel Matters regarding Treasurer Staff. (This is in accordance with the Texas Government Code Section 551.074).**

Court reconvened at 10:12 a.m.

## **10. Action as appropriate from Executive Session.**

Ratify the entry level salary for the Treasurer's Deputy Clerk to \$30,160.00.

*Motion to Ratify: Commissioner Reichardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Turner, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #13-295**

Per Judge Bilski, the Treasurer's Deputy Clerk and any employee within the 90 day introductory period will not be eligible for the 3% increase effective October 1, 2013.

Per Commissioner Reichardt, salary increases for personnel will be effective the 1<sup>st</sup> pay period after October 1, 2013.

*Motion to Authorize: Commissioner Turner, 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner Reichardt, passed (4-0).*  
**Order #13-296**

## **8. Budget Workshop – Continued**

### **a. Revenues and Expenditures**

Review Road & Bridge Expenditures.

Per Judge Bilski, Road & Bridge employees will have a 2% salary adjustment with a 3% salary increase, same as dispatchers and jailers receiving salary adjustment for competitive salaries.

Betty Jez, Auditor, has checked with other counties with regard to the EMS shift differential pay line item. Per her research, the only department's that do this is Law enforcement, not EMS. "The Court is setting a precedent for our Law Enforcement to come back and do shift differentials." The County also pays EMS Certificate pay for part-time and other counties do not, only full-time employees.

## **11. Commissioners Court Inquiry.**

- Per Judge Bilski, add 3% after October 1, 2013 to line items 1106, 1108 and 1110 on expenditures

Court adjourned at 10:45 a.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 August 26, 2013.

Date: September 24, 2013

Carrie Gregor

Carrie Gregor, Austin County Clerk  
Clerk of Commissioners Court  
Austin County, Texas  
By: Cyndi Gomez, Deputy



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