

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 28, 2015**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BOSQUE**

On this the 28th day of September, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners Courtroom, in Meridian, Texas, the Bosque County Commissioners' Court convened in Regular Session with the following present:

**Dewey Ratliff, County Judge
Douglas Day, Commissioner, Precinct #1
Durwood Koonsman, Commissioner, Precinct #2
Sammy Leach, Commissioner, Precinct #3
Ronny Liardon, Commissioner, Precinct #4
Tabatha Ferguson, County Clerk**

1) CALL TO ORDER – 9:04 a.m.

2) DETERMINATION OF QUORUM- all present

3) PROOF OF NOTICE

4) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5) FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

No report given.

6) ORDER APPROVING OR DISAPPROVING TO PAY CLAIMS, SALARIES AND WAGES AGAINST COUNTY FUNDS

Commissioner Day made the motion approving to pay claims, salaries and wages against county funds in the amount of \$60,220.10. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

7) ORDER APPROVING OR DISAPPROVING TO PAY CLAIMS, SALARIES AND WAGES AGAINST PRECINCT FUNDS

Commissioner Liardon made the motion approving to pay claims, salaries and wages against precinct funds. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

8) LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the line item transfers. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

9) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ADOPT 2015-2016 TAX RATE

Commissioner Day made the motion that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax of 0.47500, which is effectively an 8.82 percent increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

10) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR THE RANCHES AT SPRING CREEK

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the preliminary plat for The Ranches at Spring Creek. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

11) PRESENTATION BY MICHAEL SHARP, STONEWATER WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC., INTRODUCING A WEBSITE FOR EMPLOYEES TO REFER TO THEIR CAFETERIA PLAN BENEFITS

Michael Sharp with Stonewater Wealth Management Inc. is adding a page to the county website that has links to all of the cafeteria plan benefits.

12) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE MICHAEL SHARP, STONEWATER WEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC. AS THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE CAFETERIA PLAN FOR 2015-2016

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve Michael Sharp, Stonewater Wealth Management, Inc. as the representative for the cafeteria plan for 2015-2016. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

13) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR A TAX ABATEMENT FOR SHOPKO FROM PAIGE KEY AND ASHLEY ABLE WITH CLIFTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

No Action.

14) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM ASHLEY ABEL, CITY OF CLIFTON FALL FEST, TO CLOSE CR 3112 FOR THE JOG FOR JUSTICE RUN ON OCTOBER 10, 2015, 7:30-9:00 A.M.

Commissioner Leach made the motion to grant the request to close CR 3112 for the Jog for Justice on October 17, 2015. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved. (note: October 10, 2015 is the incorrect date)

15) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY GRANT TO BOSQUE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the resolution to apply for the grant and authorize Sharon Gephardt to do so. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

16) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT 1, INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT RENEWAL BETWEEN BOSQUE COUNTY AND TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve to extend the lease for 5 years. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

17) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING EASEMENT FOR PUBLIC ROAD OR STREET LOCATED AT WHITNEY LAKE, BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS GRANTED TO BOSQUE COUNTY BY SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, UNITED STATES

Commissioner Day made the motion to accept the easement. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

18) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE LICENSE AND SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND BOSQUE COUNTY FOR FINANCE

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the license and service agreement between Tyler Technologies, Inc. and Bosque County for finance. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

19) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM WEST SHORE CIVIC ASSOCIATION TO PARTICIPATE IN BOSQUE COUNTY SHERIFF'S INMATE WORK CREW PROGRAM

Commissioner Day made the motion approve the request from West Shore Civic Association to participate in Bosque County Sheriff's Inmate Work Crew Program. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

20) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT MADE BY AND ENTERED INTO BETWEEN MCLENNAN COUNTY, TEXAS AND BOSQUE COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THE HOUSING AND CARE OF CERTAIN INMATES INCARCERATED OR TO BE INCARCERATED IN ITS JAIL

Commissioner Leach made the motion to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with McLennan County for housing inmates. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

The Court took a recess at 10:21 a.m. and reconvened at 10:32 a.m.

21) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT DONATION OF \$7000 FROM DOUG STEVENS TO BOSQUE COUNTY PRECINCT 1, TO CHIP SEAL ¼ MILE OF CR 1213

Commissioner Day made the motion to accept the donation of \$7000 from Doug Stevens. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

22) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL PLANNING SERVICES FOR BOSQUE COUNTY COURTHOUSE

No Action.

23) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE MALLORIE APPEGATE AS THE ELECTION JUDGE FOR IREDELL, PRECINCT #1

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve Mallorie Applegate as the election judge for Iredell. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

24) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN INFORMAL LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MERIDIAN

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the Informal Letter of Agreement with the City of Meridian. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

25) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN INFORMAL LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH THE MERIDIAN CEMETERY

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the Informal Letter of Agreement with the Meridian Cemetery. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

26) RECEIVE AND FILE NOTICE OF PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR HOTRMHMR OF PROPERTY AT 2010 LASALLE AVENUE, WACO, TEXAS

Commissioner Liardon made the motion to receive and file the notice of purchase contract for HOTRMHMR. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

27) RECEIVE AND FILE CERTIFICATE FOR DURWOOD KOONSMAN, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1

Commissioner Day made the motion to receive and file the certificate for Durwood Koonsman, Commissioner, Pct. #2. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

28) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BURN BAN

Commissioner Leach made the motion to leave the burn ban off. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

29) ANNOUNCEMENTS OR COMMENTS

Judge Ratliff announced the next Commissioners Court meeting will be on a Tuesday due to Monday, October 12th being a holiday. He also read a letter of resignation from Dee Sharp from the CPS Board.

23) ADJOURN

Commissioner Leach made the motion to adjourn at 10:52 a.m. All approved.

I, TABATHA FERGUSON, COUNTY CLERK, ATTEST THAT THIS IS AN ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF A PROCEEDING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT HELD SEPTEMBER 28, 2015.

TABATHA FERGUSON, BOSQUE COUNTY CLERK