

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

May 21, 2013

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on May 21, 2013, with the following members present:

1. Randy Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1
2. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
3. Stan Egger, Commissioner, Precinct 3 and Judge Pro Tem
4. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

When the following motions were heard:

1. Commissioner Egger as Judge Pro Tem convened the Court in open session at 10:00 a.m.

2. BJ McMichaels, Family Minister at Beltway Church of Christ gave the invocation and Commissioner Kendrick led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 7, 2013 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of May 21, 2013 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

4. Commissioner Egger presented the service awards to employees who have given 15 years and more service to Taylor County.

Joel Wilkes	District Attorney's Office	15 years
Bridget McDowell	County Auditor	25 years

5. Commissioner Egger convened the Court in Workshop Session to receive a report from Jay Evans chair of the Expo Center Facilities Committee. Evans began his presentation with an overview of the Center's financial situation. He stated that the Center is "in the black" for the first time in a long time. The Expo Board is working toward banking two months of operational expenses to meet their financial stability goals.

The facilities committee was appointed in October 2012; the membership includes exhibitors, commissioners, public users and facility experts. As a result of their study, seven findings or priorities and recommendations have been developed. They have contracted with CADCO Architects and Engineers to develop a site plan. Mr. Evans stated that armed with the list of priorities, a site plan and their current financial situation enables them to seek outside sources to fund the priority projects. The Committee was not recommended or requesting additional county funds at this time. Jay thanked the

Court for funding the project to replace the Coliseum's seating. He stated more work needs to be done and they will report back to the Court at a later date. [Exhibit]

6. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve budget transfers as recommended by the Auditor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

7. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve bills from the following funds and to order them paid according to minutes of the accounts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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| 1. General Fund | 8. Sheriff Forfeiture |
| 2. County Clerk's Microfilm | 9. Road and Bridge |
| 3. VIT Escrow Interest | 10. Capital Construction |
| 4. D. A. Special | 11. Self-Insurance |
| 5. Juvenile Education Services | 12. Employee Benefit |
| 6. Local TYC | 13. Payroll Clearing |
| 7. Jail Commissary | |

8. Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the April 2013 Treasurer's Report for approval. The average interest rate for Tex Pool was 0.1022%. Beginning book balance for the General Fund was \$33,535,541.88 and market value was \$33,542,403.04; after receipts and disbursements the ending book balance was \$31,030,583.08 and the ending market value was \$31,038,469.81. Beginning book balance for all funds was \$47,894,499.43 and market value was \$47,901,360.59; the ending book balance was \$45,585,453.54 and the ending market value was \$45,593,340.27. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept the April 2013 Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Commissioner Statler made a motion to reappoint Commissioner Egger to the Abilene/Taylor County Venue Tax Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

10. Commissioner Egger began the discussion of exploring the purchase of commercial property by reporting that the County needs space to store paper records. The future plans for the Courthouse and Plaza does not include space within the building for paper records including the space offices currently use. Further, the space where records are stored in the Law Enforcement Center needs to be emptied. Commissioner Statler made a motion to authorize the Purchasing Agent to engage a real estate professional to explore and evaluate commercial properties and to authorize the County Judge to

sign potential offers. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

11. Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent reported the current contract for Culverts was ending and presented specifications and advertising for I.T.B. 2013-103 for approval. He stated specifications were very similar to those in the current contract and included an escalation clause and prohibits a raw materials surcharge from being added to the pricing after award. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve specifications and advertising for I.T.B. 2013-103. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

12. Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent presented specifications and advertising for I.T.B. 2013-105 Gasoline and Diesel for the Precincts. The current contact will soon end. He will include pricing from the Texas Association of School Board's Buy Board as an option. Pricing will continue to be based upon the weekly average OPIS report. Specifications include an escalation clause as well as language to allow award to multiple bids based upon the delivery cost to each location. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve specifications and advertising for I.T.B. 2013-105 Gasoline and Diesel for the Precincts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

13. Commissioner Statler made a motion to table "Consider approval of a Right of Way agreement with BridgeTex Pipeline Company LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

14. Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this 4 day of JUNE, 2013.


Larry A. Ball
County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas
William A. Ball
County Judge, Taylor County, Texas