

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

August 13, 2013

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on August 13, 2013, with the following members present:

1. Judge Downing A. Bolls Jr., County Judge
2. Randy Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1
3. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
4. Stan Egger, Commissioner, Precinct 3
5. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

When the following motions were heard:

1. Judge Bolls convened the Court in open session at 10:00 a.m.

2. Joey Roberts, Family Minister, University Church of Christ gave the invocation and Commissioner Williams led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held on July 30, and August 6, 2013 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of August 13, 2013 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

4. Kit Horne, Extension Agent for 4-H described the Taylor County Best Youth Leadership Program of the Taylor County Agri-life Extension office and introduced several participants. The program introduces 4-H youth participants to a wide variety of community groups, businesses and governmental units. A highlight of the seven month program is a meeting with the Governor. Mr. Horne introduced Emily Phillips representing Cooper High School, Leddy McBride representing Jim Ned School District and Jackie Ganter representing Wylie High School. [No Exhibit Provided]

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

6. Commissioner Kendrick 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 Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. Tobacco Settlement
3. County Clerk's Microfilm
4. VIT Escrow Interest
5. D. A. Special
6. D. A. Seizure
7. Election Contracts
8. Local TYC
9. Jail Commissary
10. Sheriff Forfeiture
11. Road and Bridge
12. Capital Construction
13. State Fees
14. Employee Benefit
15. Payroll Clearing
16. Unclaimed Property

7. Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the June 2013 Treasurer's Report for approval. The average interest rate for Tex Pool was 0.0531%. Beginning book balance for the General Fund was \$27,820,787.76 and market value was \$27,825,608.34; after receipts and disbursements the ending book balance was \$25,935,611.58 and the ending market value was \$25,943,178.56. Beginning book balance for all funds was \$42,373,457.45 and market value was \$42,378,258.03; the ending book balance was \$41,122,806.76 and the ending market value was \$41,130,373.74. Commissioner Egger made a motion to accept the July 2013 Treasurer's Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the Investment Report as certified by the Investment Committee for the 3rd Quarter of the 2013 fiscal year which ended June 30, 2013. Total interest accrued during the 3rd quarter was \$32,607.58. Beginning balance for all funds was \$52,691,890.66, ending balance was \$45,586,392.50; total funds had a net decrease of \$7,105,498.16 from the 2nd quarter of fiscal year 2013. At the end of the 2nd Quarter, 78% of County funds were invested in TexPool and 22% in certificates of deposit. At the end of the 3rd quarter, investments reflect 71% in TexPool, 18% in certificates of deposit, 7% in commercial paper and 4% in agencies. [Exhibit]

9. Jim Defoor, County Veteran's Service Officer requested the Court approve the gift from the Wade Meadows' estate of a 1994 Ford handicapped equipped van. Although the van is old, it is still reliable and has an almost new wheelchair lift. Mr. Meadows was a veteran, a community volunteer who started the Meadows medical clinic. Defoor plans to use the van to transport veteran's residing in

Taylor County to the local clinic. Commissioner Egger made a motion to accept the donation from the Meadows Estate to transport veterans in Taylor County. [No Exhibit Provided]

10. Lt. John Cummins from the Sheriff's Office presented an application for the Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant. This annual grant is awarded to both the City of Abilene Police Department and Taylor County Sheriff's Office. This year the amount is \$42,140.00 and will be used to purchase various equipment including Coban cameras, Tasers, body armor and a bullet proof shield. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the application for the Edward Byrnes Justice Assistance Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent requested the Court declare as surplus a 2013 Caterpillar 924K assigned to Precinct 3 and 5,015 seats removed from the Coliseum. The Caterpillar will be sold at auction and the seats by sealed bid. Included with the surplus request are the bid specifications for the seats. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the surplus property as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

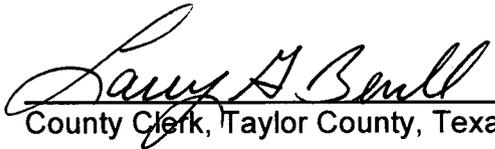
12. Commissioner Statler presented the final plat for Windmill Crossing Estates. The developer changed the name for the subdivision from Jim Ned Estates after submitting the preliminary plat. The road was not approved for county maintenance. Commissioner Statler made a motion to accept the final plan for Windmill Crossing Estates Subdivision. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit filed in Official Public Records]

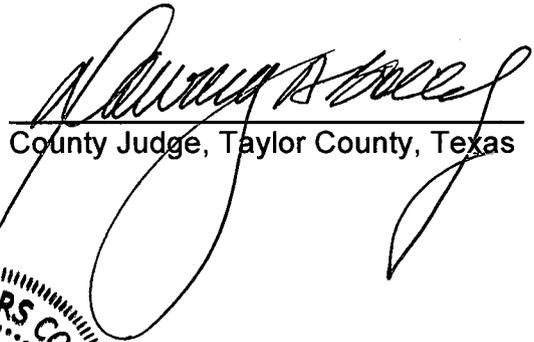
13. Betsy D'Acierno, from CareHere presented the annual report for the Taylor County Employee's Health Clinic. During the last twelve months the number of appointment times was increased and they have experienced an excellent growth to 76% in filled appointments since the last report. There has been an overall increase in cost of 6% which is directly related to the growth in appointments. The average visit cost dropped to \$102.91 from the previous cost of \$170.65 per visit. Their goal is the \$80.00 range which is achievable should they meet their appointment goal which currently stands at 70.8%. To date 59% of county employees have taken advantage of the clinic. Another goal for the next year is to increase the number of Health Risk Assessments and improved health of County employees due to issues and solutions identified by the assessment program.

14. Judge Bolls opened the discussion of the proposed FY2014 budget by mentioning that cuts of totaling \$407,558.00 were necessary to balance the budget. That amount exceeds the roll back rate which is set by state law at 3% over the effective tax rate. The Court discussed salaries, staffing levels and vehicles. The Court requested the Sheriff study his proposed budget to assist in locating reductions in expenses.

15. Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this
20th day of AUGUST, 2013.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

