

## Taylor County Commissioners' Court

December 2, 2014

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on December 2, 2014, 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.

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2. Lt. Ethel Rose of the Salvation Army gave the invocation and Commissioner Egger led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America.

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3. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the minutes of the meetings held on November 18 and November 25, 2014 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of December 2, 2014 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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4. 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 Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. County Clerk's Microfilm
3. Restricted Fees
4. D. A. Special
5. Election Contracts
6. Juvenile Jury
7. Jail Commissary
8. Sheriff Forfeiture
9. Road and Bridge
10. Capital Construction
11. Self-Insurance
12. Employee Benefit
13. Payroll Clearing

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5. Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the October 2014 Treasurer's Report for approval. Beginning book balance for the General Fund was \$24,049,234.74 and market value was \$24,030,840.58; after receipts and disbursements the ending book balance was \$22,764,573.39 and the ending market value was \$22,743,958.21. Beginning book balance for all funds was \$37,162,977.72 and market value was \$37,144,583.56; the ending book balance was \$38,545,150.46 and the ending market value was \$38,524,535.28. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending October 31, 2014. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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6. The Court discussed local conditions to determine whether a ban on outdoor burning was necessary to diminish the probability of a damaging wildfire in the County. Each Commissioner cited conditions in their precincts warranting a ban on outdoor burning. Those conditions were low humidity, high winds and increased amounts of fuel necessary to sustain a damaging wildfire. Commissioner Statler noted that the proposed ban does not apply to welding professionals who take the precautions outlined in the order prior to welding. Commissioner Williams made a motion to initiate a ban on outdoor burning for 90 days. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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7. Commissioner Egger commented that it was again time to pay money into the 1115 Waiver Program administrated by the Health and Human Services Commission. Taylor County has participated in this waiver program numerous times in the past. Essentially, the previously budgeted money will allow local health care groups to multiply the effectiveness of the indigent health care money by a drawdown of matching money from the Federal Government to assist larger numbers of indigent citizens who need health care. Commissioner Egger made a motion set aside and commit \$300,000.00 from the established Indigent Health Care budget of payment into the 1115 Waiver Program. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [No Exhibit Provided]

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8. Judge Bolls announced that the Court would convene in Executive Session in accordance with Government Code §551.074(a)(1) regarding personnel matters. Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to convene in Executive Session in accordance with Government Code §551.074(a)(1) regarding personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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9. Commissioner Williams made a motion to reconvene in regular session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

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10. Commissioner Williams stated that the Court had received 67 applicants for the Administrative Assistant position. Working together, the Court identified the five applicants who they felt were most qualified and ultimately interviewed three. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to appoint Tamra E. Lewis as Administrative Assistant at \$49,000.00 per year. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. Judge Bolls noted that Ms. Lewis has 15 years' experience in County government; currently working for Parker County as an internal auditor. Ms. Lewis will begin work on December 15, 2014. [No Exhibit Provided]

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11. Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this  
16<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER, 2014.

Larry A. Bull  
County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

Richard A. Bolls  
County Judge, Taylor County, Texas.

