

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

June 16, 2015

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on June 16, 2015, with the following members present:

1. Judge Downing A. Bolls Jr., County Judge
2. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
3. Stan Egger, Commissioner, Precinct 3

When the following motions were heard:

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

2. Pastor Allen Alexander of Primera Baptist Church gave the invocation and Commissioner Kendrick led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America.

3. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 2, 2015 with a change to Item #5 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of June 16, 2015 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

4. Judge Bolls presented the service awards to employees who have given 15 years' and more service to Taylor County.

Melinda Rodriguez	Social Services	15 years
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5. 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. D. A. Seizure
5. Election Contracts
6. Juvenile Education Services
7. Local TYC
8. Jail Commissary
9. Sheriff Forfeiture
10. Road and Bridge
11. Capital Construction

12. State Fees
13. Self-Insurance
14. Employee Benefit
15. Payroll Clearing
16. Sinking Fund - Jail

6. Becky Freeman, First Assistant County Treasurer presented the May 2015 Treasurer's Report for approval. Beginning book balance for the General Fund was \$35,034,833.25 and market value was \$35,041,521.64; after receipts and disbursements the ending book balance was \$31,425,189.32 and the ending market value was \$31,434,177.11. Beginning book balance for all funds was \$50,266,575.48 and market value was \$50,273,263.87; the ending book balance was \$48,455,123.70 and the ending market value was \$48,464,111.49. Commissioner Egger made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

7. Sheriff's Lieutenant John Cummins presented the annual Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assisatance Grant application to the Court. The grant is divided between the City of Abilene Police Department and Taylor County. He noted the Sheriff's plan to spend the proceeds from the grant, approximately \$17,159.00 for electronic defense equipment for deputies. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the interlocal agreement with the Abilene Police Department for the 2015 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent presented the bids received for IHC Pharmaceutical Provider. Two bids were received; one from HEB, the other from Barnes and Williams. While HEB's bid appeared lower, Greenawalt reminded the Court of the problems the Taylor County Social Services Department had with the prior contract with HEB. Bettye Gindratt, Director of Social Services discussed the increased labor hours required working with HEB's third party administrator's software and the difficulty reconciling the financial statements as well as lack of control over dispensing the medicines. Richard spoke of the County's satisfaction working with Barnes and Williams in past contracts and recommended award to Barnes and Williams as the best bid received. Commissioner Egger made a motion to award the bid to Barnes and Williams as our pharmaceutical provider for Indigent Health Care upon the recommendation by Ms. Gindratt and by the Purchasing Agent. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent listed a vehicle assigned to the Sheriff's department to be declared surplus. The Tahoe was totaled in an accident and will be used for parts for future repairs to other vehicles. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to declare the vehicle as surplus property. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

10. Commissioner Egger presented a request to change the declared use for a particular utility easement and abandon two other easements in Remington Estates Subdivision. The first was planned solely as a drainage easement; the change would allow utilities be placed in the easement also. The abandonment of the two easements will allow more flexibility for home construction in two cul-de-sacs. The cancellation requested would reduce easements from two ten foot easements to one ten foot easement. Commissioner Egger made a motion to abandon the easements in regard to Lot Seven and Nine as noted in the orders and approve the addition to the easement in Block E and Block F as noted in the orders; all as requested by the developer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. Rebecca Eidson Director of Information Technology and Richard Greenawalt, County Purchasing Agent presented a request to purchase approximately \$493,888.00 in network equipment including installation to replace existing equipment which is at end-of-life and is causing significant maintenance issues and down-time. If purchased prior to June 17 the County can take a 16.5% discount reducing the total cost including installation to \$412,855.00. Additional cost for upgrades to network cabling and electrical supply should be budgeted in FY2016. County Clerk Larry G. Bevill offered an expenditure of \$200,000.00 from the County Clerk's records management fund toward the purchase. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the purchase of the Cisco Systems upgrade from Sigma Solutions the authorized vendor for DIR contract TSO-2542. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

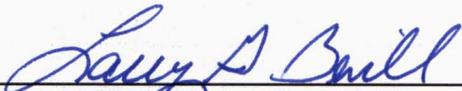
Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve using \$200,000.00 from the County Clerk's Records Management Account and authorize the expenditure from the General Fund contingency budget for the remainder of \$212,855.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

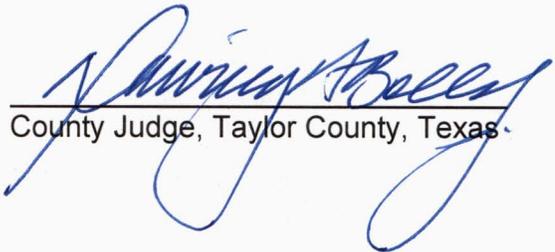
12. Judge Bolts told the Court that Jones County has sent a letter to Representative Susan King requesting additional signage at the intersection of Interstate 20 and FM600 (known as West Lake Road) and at US Hwy 277/83 directing visitors to the Texas Veteran's Cemetery. He request a letter of support be written from the

Taylor County Commissioners' Court to Representative King. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve a letter of support for additional signage identifying the Texas Veteran's Cemetery at the exit for Interstate 20 and FM600 known as West Lake Road and at US Hwy 277/83. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [No Exhibit Provided]

13. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this 30 day of JUNE, 2015.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

