

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

July 14, 2015

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on July 14, 2015, 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 at University Church of Christ gave the invocation and Commissioner Statler led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America.

3. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on June 30, 2015 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of July 14, 2015 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

4. Judge Bolls presented the Distinguished Service Award to the Taylor County Historical Commission Chair Mrs. Anita Lane-McBride. The Texas Historical Commission issues Distinguished Service Awards each year to County Historical Commissions that exemplify exceptional service and dedication to the State of Texas.

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 Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. Commissioners' Special
3. D. A. Special
4. Juvenile Education Services
5. Local TYC
6. Jail Commissary
7. Sheriff Forfeiture
8. Road and Bridge

9. Capital Construction
10. State Fees
11. Self-Insurance
12. Employee Benefit
13. Payroll Clearing

6. Jan Dukes, Tax Assessor-Collection requested the Court reclassify a position from Clerical 1 to Law Enforcement 1. This move will improve security by adding a law enforcement presence in her office. In the past few years the Texas Legislature has added several requirements to issuing vehicle registrations which has raised levels of confusion and frustration with the public. She has sufficient budget to cover the increase in expense for the reclassification. The employee's certification will be held by the Taylor County Precinct 1 Constable. Commissioner Egger made a motion to change the classification temporarily from C1 to L1 and assign to the Constable's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [No Exhibit Provided]

7. Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the June 2015 Treasurer's Report for approval. Beginning book balance for the General Fund was \$31,425,189.32 and market value was \$31,434,177.11; after receipts and disbursements the ending book balance was \$30,188,406.12 and the ending market value was \$30,191,586.68. Beginning book balance for all funds was \$48,455,123.70 and market value was \$48,464,111.49; the ending book balance was \$46,128,425.31 and the ending market value was \$46,131,605.87. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending June 30, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Richard Greenawalt presented two John Deere tractor mowers assigned to Precinct 1 as surplus property. These will be used as trade-in for the purchase of two Bush Hog mowers. Commissioner Williams made a motion to declare the property as surplus. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Kelly Stephens Director of Human Resources and Risk Management explained to the Commissioners' Court as a self-funded health insurance plan the Court could chose to extend health insurance benefits to same sex spouses. Due to the recent Supreme Court ruling on same sex marriages all health insurance plans under the Texas Association of Counties which are not self-funded will automatically include same sex spouses. Commissioner Egger made a motion to cover same sex spouses on Taylor County's health insurance plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams. The motion carried on vote of

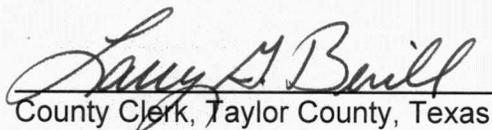
3-2. Commissioner Williams, Commissioner Egger and Judge Bolts voting in favor of the motion; Commissioners Kendrick and Statler voting against the motion. [Exhibit]

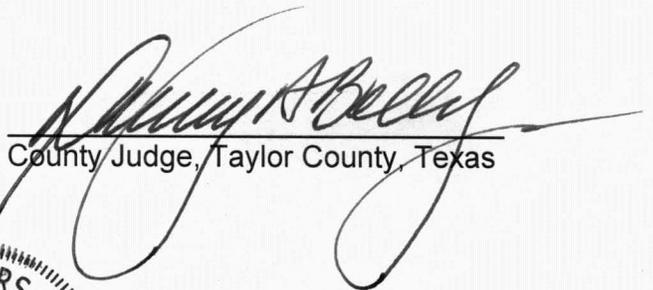
10. Judge Bolts presented the notice that Kristi Allyn, Elections Administrator is retiring. As authorized by State statute the Taylor County Elections Commission met and accepted the resignation and appointed Freda Ragan as Elections Administrator for Taylor County effective August 1, 2015. He explained the Court has the authority to set the salary for the position. Commissioner Egger made a motion to set the salary for Freda Ragan at \$46,500.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

The Court thanked Kristi Allyn for her distinguished service to Taylor County as Elections Administrator. Among many other advances during her tenure she accomplished several redistricting efforts as well as the migration to electronic voting machines and the most recent improvement utilizing vote centers. During her time in office there were no questions as to any election's accuracy or validity.

11. Commissioner Egger made a motion to recess until Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 11:40 to continue budget hearings. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was recessed at 10:38 p.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this
28th day of July, 2015.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

