

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

March 10, 2015

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on March 10, 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. Lt. Ethel Rose from the Salvation Army gave the invocation and Commissioner Egger 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 February 24, 2015 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of March 10, 2015 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously.

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. Restricted Fees
3. D. A. Special
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

5. Bridget McDowell, County Auditor presented the Investment Report as certified by the Investment Committee for the 1st Quarter of the 2015 fiscal year which ended December 31, 2014. Total interest accrued during the 1st quarter was \$31,540.06. Beginning market value balance for all funds was \$42,305,306.91, ending balance was \$53,653,374.91; total funds had a net increase of \$11,348,068.00 from the 4th quarter of fiscal year 2014. At the end of the 4th Quarter, investments reflected 79% in TexPool, 16% in certificates of deposit and 5% in Agencies. At the end of the 1st quarter, investments reflect 86% in TexPool, 10% in certificates of deposit and 4% in Agencies. [Exhibit]

6. Bridget McDowell County Auditor reported the Court approves a resolution to obtain from the Texas Comptroller unclaimed capital credit money each year. The money can only be used for specific purposes: attracting tourism and new business to the County, in support of the arts, to increase economic growth and for funding for Child Advocacy Centers. Each of which the Court spends much more than the amount of previous year's unclaimed capital credits. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the unclaimed capital credit from the Texas Comptroller's Office and use the money for the purpose of compliance with the provisions of Section 381.004 of the Texas Local Government Code. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

7. Allison Stafford, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer requested the Court approve a resolution and budget for grant proceeds from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's office. The proceeds are \$24,500.00 and will be used for professional therapy and counseling service including psychological testing, parenting classes, individual, family and group counseling. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the resolution and budget for the purchase of juvenile services grant from the Criminal Justice Division. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

8. Lt. John Cummins from the Sheriff's Department presented a resolution in support of a grant application from the West Central Texas Council of Governments for a second Security School Resource Officer. The current resource officer works with both the Jim Ned and Trent schools and is spread thin between all campus'. The grant request is \$50,000.00 for salary and benefits. Uniforms, a vehicle and other supplies and equipment will be taken from current inventory and budgeted funds. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the resolution to apply for funding for a second Security School Resource Officer Grant for fiscal year FY 2015-2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

9. Richard Greenawalt Purchasing Agent presented a list of items to be declared surplus. The list includes equipment used in the previous inmate pay phone system, real property in Precinct 1 and various pieces of equipment from Commissioners' Precinct 2. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to declare the items presented as surplus property. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

10. Richard Greenawalt Purchasing Agent reported the County owns 1.5 acres of land on the south side of County Road 314 known as Antilley Road near the 5012 block of the road. Greenawalt went through the statutorily required steps to sell the property and presented the legal description as well as a public notice. He recommended a minimum bid based upon the appraised value as well as the county's cost to sell the property. He suggested the Court sell the property by public auction. Commissioner Williams made a motion to enter into the minutes an order to sell this property located at County Road 314 otherwise known as Antilley Road in an auction and set the minimum bid at \$12,700.00 and also to ask the Court to appoint Commissioner Williams as the Commissioner to sell the property according to LGC 263.001. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

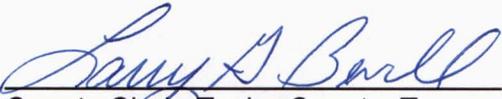
11. Commissioner Williams presented a check from Petrosmith Equipment LP of Abilene for \$15,194.00. The donation was the result of several meetings between Petrosmith management, Commissioner Williams, Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and State Representative Susan King. Petrosmith property is on both sides of State Highway 277 which creates a dangerous situation with their equipment crossing the highway from work site to work site and citizens who are driving on Hwy 277. The group identified several changes TxDOT can make to the roadway such as blinking caution lights. Petrosmith has agreed to pay for some of the additions. Commissioner Williams made a motion to accept a donation in the amount of \$15,194.00 from Petrosmith Equipment LP of Abilene. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

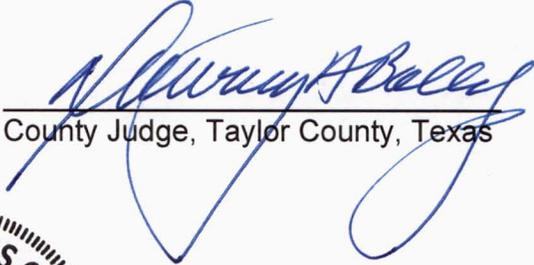
12. Commissioner Williams explained that TxDOT can't legally accept a donation from a private citizen or business. Therefore to pay for the safety improvements on Hwy 277, Petrosmith LP of Abilene must donate the money to Taylor County and the County will execute a contract for the project and then pay TxDOT. Commissioner Williams made a motion to ratify the Advance Funding for Voluntary Local Government contributions to Transportation Improvement Projects with no required match between Taylor County and TxDOT. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Williams also made a motion to use the \$15,194.00 donation from Petrosmith be purposed to fulfill the agreement just ratified and approval of such payment to TxDOT. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 13. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this 24 day of MARCH, 2015.


County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas


County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

