

# Taylor County Commissioners' Court

July 12, 2016

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on July 12, 2016, 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. Commissioner Williams 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 meeting held on June 28, 2016 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of July 12, 2016 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously.

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4. Judge Bolls presented the Texas Historical Commission's Distinguished Service Award to the Anita Lane-McBride, President of the Taylor County Historical Commission.

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5. Judge Bolls presented the Employee of the Quarter Awards for the third quarter to:

Ricky "RJ" Johnson	Commissioners' Precinct 1	Gov't and Svcs.
Robert Waggoner	County Court at Law #2	Adm. of Justice
Wayne Cockerham	Sheriff's Office	Law Enforcement

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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 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. Road and Bridge
10. Capital Construction
11. Employee Benefit
12. Payroll Clearing

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7. Danny Barrett from the Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins and Mott Law Firm presented a statistical report to the Court describing the results of his firm's collections assistance for the Justice of the Peace courts. He stated that his firm had collected \$2,553,000.00 in fine and court cost since Taylor County had contracted with their firm. He reported that compliance with the State collections rules and statutes was good. [Exhibit]

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8. Commissioner Egger explained to the Court that upgrading the jail's smoke purge system and smoke damper repairs was necessary at this time. Rusty Reeves from Trane further explained the necessity and the steps of the project as well as the cost of the alternatives. There are three alternatives; alternate project #2 was authorized by the Court for the current budget year. The two remaining alternatives would cost approximately \$371,295 and are not currently budgeted. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve a budget adjustment of \$371,295.00 from Capital Contingency Funds to make these upgrades. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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9. Kelly Stephens, Director of Human Resources and Risk Manager presented the public official's bond for the County Auditor for 2016. She also presented the bonds from 2010, 2012, and 2014 to be recorded in the County Clerk's Public Bond records. Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the County Auditor's Public Official's Bond as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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10. Frank Stamey, Assistant District Attorney presented a proposed contract between Taylor County and LexisNexis to provide the District Attorney's office with legal research software. There was a price increase of \$40.00 per month; however the cost is less than the closest competitor. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the amended Taylor County District Attorney's contract with

LexisNexis for their services. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Statler and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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11. Scott Henderson, Purchasing Agent requested the Court approve a contract extension for ITB 2013-106 Rock Road Material with Vulcan and R. E. Janes This will be the third and final extension. There was not a price escalation for the upcoming extension. Commissioner Egger made a motion to approve the renewal of contract ITB 2013-106 with Vulcan Materials and R. E. Janes Gravel Company. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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12. Scott Henderson, Purchasing Agent presented the bids received from ITB 2016-102 Office Supplies and Furniture. Of the bids received, Henderson recommended award to Office Depot, O'Kelley Office Supply and Officewise. Multiple vendors insure the availability of the exact item needed at the lowest possible cost. He stated that multiple agencies use this contract further recommending the flexibility that the multiple-award contract offers. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to accept and award bid ITB 2016-102 Office Supplies and Furniture to O'Kelley's. Office Depot and Officewise. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

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13. Judge Bolts announced the Court would convene in Executive Session in accordance with Government Code §551.071 regarding consultation with an attorney on contemplated litigation and in accordance with Government Code §551.074 regarding personnel matters. Commissioner Williams made a motion to convene in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. The Court was convened in Executive Session at 11:03 a.m.

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14. Commissioner Williams made a motion to reconvene in Open Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. The Court reconvened in open session at 11:41 a.m.

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15. Frank Stamey, Assistant District Attorney stated that a possible violation of the Clean Air Act had occurred in Taylor County from 2008-2015 due to emissions of Volkswagens. The Court stated that the alleged violation was a corporate one and did not have an involvement by the local dealership. He presented a Court Order authorizing enforcement of the Texas Clean Air Act and employing special counsel to enforce the act within Taylor County's jurisdiction. The special counsel requires a professional services contract between Taylor County and

Anthony Constant who represents numerous other counties on similar claims. The State of Texas also has pending litigation. Randy Williams made a motion to adopt the Order and Special Counsel as recommended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Egger and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

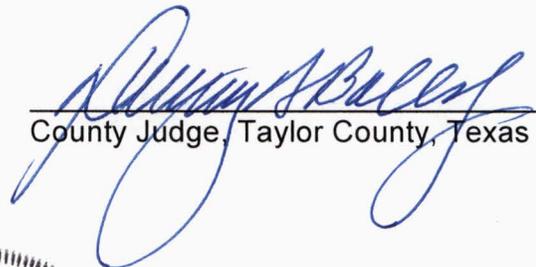
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16. Commissioner Statler stated that after retirement of Jim DeFoor as Veteran's Service Officer, the Court had appointed Marcus Romero was appointed Interim Chief of the Department. Since that time the Court received numerous qualified applicants for Veteran's Service Officer and conducted interviews. Commissioner Statler made the motion to appoint Marcus Romero as Veteran's Service Officer at a salary of \$38,000.00 plus benefits for that position. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [No Exhibit Provided]

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The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

  
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County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas

  
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County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

