### **COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**

### Regular Meeting on May 18, 2009

H. T. WRIGHT County Judge NINA S. SELLS County Clerk

TOM BONN Commissioner Pct 1
CHARLES BULLOCK Commissioner Pct 2
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct 4

### Call to order.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M.

#### A-1

### Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting.

Motion made by Commissioner Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on May 11, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

### **A-2**

Citizens' Comment: (At This Time Any Person With Business Before the Commissioners Court, Not Scheduled On The Agenda, May Speak To The Commissioners Court. Comments Will Be Limited to Three (3) To Five (5) Minutes Per Person.

Cathy and Larry Sellers announced that they are part of a group that represents information on honest, true and informed involvement in government and will attend Commissioners Court meetings.

It was announced and discussed that Caldwell County has a confirmed case of the H1N1 virus (swine flu).

The Governors office has announced that Caldwell County residents may qualify for low interest loans due to the disaster declaration due to drought conditions.

#### A-3

### **Approve the Caldwell County Reports**

### A. Veterans Service Report for the months of March and April 2009

Veterans Service Officer Larry Corpus presented his reports. Motion made by Commissioner Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to approve the Veterans Service Officer Reports for the months of March and April 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

### B. Tax Collection Report for April 2009

The Tax Collection Report was reviewed. Motion made by Commissioner Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to approve the Tax Collection Report for April 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

## C. Environment Code Enforcer Report for the month of April 2009

Environment Code Enforcer Mike Bell has resigned (Agenda Item 7 below) and was not present. The report was reviewed. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to approve the Environment Code Enforcer Report for the month of April 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

# D. Indigent Health Care Program for the month of April 2009

The Indigent Health Care Report was reviewed but bills for the month of April 2009 have not been completed. Motion made by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to approve the Indigent Health Care Report for the month of April 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

#### A-4

### Discussion/Action to consider Outdoor Burning Ban for Caldwell County - Judge Wright.

Emergency Management Coordinator Jimmy Parker indicated the County is in good shape due to recent rain. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to leave the Outdoor Burning Ban off for Caldwell County. Motion carried unanimously.

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Discussion/Action regarding an invitation to join Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) as a non-voting member – Judge Wright.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Bonn, that Caldwell County join the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) as a non-voting member. Motion carried unanimously.

#### A-6

Discussion/Action concerning Resolution No. 11-2009 authorizing actions including eminent domain in connection with the acquisition of property located on CR 146 – Judge Wright.

Judge Wright explained that James S. Frost prepared a Resolution to begin condemnation proceedings on a parcel of property located on CR 146. The State needs this parcel to build a bridge across Plum Creek. Motion made by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Bonn, to approve the Resolution No. 11-2009 authorizing actions including eminent domain in connection with the acquisition of property located on CR 146. Motion carried unanimously.

### A-7

Discussion/Action to accept a resignation from Michael Bell, Environmental Enforcer Officer, as of May 22, 2009 and seek replacement – Judge Wright.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to accept the resignation from Michael Bell, Environmental Enforcer Officer, as of May 22, 2009 and to find a replacement for this position as soon as possible. Motion carried unanimously.

#### A-8

Discussion/Action concerning changing County's Subdivision Rules and Regulations to conform with the Texas Water Development Economically Distress Areas Model Subdivision Rules – Commissioner Madrigal. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

#### A-9

Discussion/Action concerning renewal contract in the amount of \$22,000 with City-County Benefits Services for consulting fees – Sonny Rougeou.

Auditor Sonny Rougeou stated that City-County Benefits Services asked to renew the contract at \$22,000, which is a raise from the \$20,000 contract last year. Commissioner Bonn stated that it is not a good year to raise the contract price and made the motion, seconded by Commissioner Roland, to renew the contract at the \$20,000. Motion carried unanimously.

#### A-10

Discussion concerning a dispute over CR 220 - Commissioner Bonn.

Commissioner Bonn stated that this discussion item is concerning a dispute on a portion of CR 220 that he recommends the County should abandon. It was learned last week that during the last city annexation the City of Lockhart may have taken in a part of the road. Hinkle Surveying Jerry Hinkle stated details concerning the deeds and the history of the road. Caldwell County District Attorney Trey Hicks will pursue this matter with the City of Lockhart for a decision concerning any action taken on the status of CR 220.

### A-11

Pay Bills.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to approve bills totaling \$98,994.63 contingent on the autopsy bill (separate transport fee and autopsy fee) and the indigent health optional expense bill (\$8000 from Seton) being looked at and approved by Commissioner Bonn. Motion carried unanimously.

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Adjourn.

Motion made at 10:00 A.M. by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to adjourn. Motion

carried unanimously

H. T. Wright, County Judge