

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

Regular Meeting on August 16, 2010

RONNIE DUESTERHEFT County Judge
NINA S. SELLS County Clerk

JOHN P. CYRIER 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 Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on August 9, 2010. 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.

Laura Campos of the Luling 4-H invited Commissioners Court and interested citizens to the 4-H annual achievement awards banquet to be held Sunday, August 22, 2010 at 3 P.M. at the Luling Fine Arts Building.

David Studer spoke concerning any proposed tax increase for Caldwell County residents. He stated he is not the only resident whose expenses go up with no pay increase and wanted Commissioners Court to keep this in mind when setting the budget and tax rate.

A-3

Approve the Caldwell County Reports

A. Caldwell County Veterans Service Officer Report for the month of July 2010.

Anna Wagner gave her portion of the Caldwell County Veterans Service Officer Report. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to approve the Caldwell County Veterans Service Officer Report for the month of July 2010. Motion carried unanimously. She requested and was given approval to attend training. She stated there would be not cost to the County.

A-4

Discussion/Action concerning a request from Gary Job Corp to have early voting for two days 5 hours each – Commissioner Madrigal.

Commissioner Madrigal stated this had been on the agenda before with a lot of public input. He again had a request to put this on the agenda for consideration to have a polling place at Gary Job Corp for two days with 5 hours each day. Mr. Goodman from Gary Job Corp introduced two students. He stated that there would be a projected 300 voters from Gary Job Corp that would exercise their right to vote in the November election. County residents and candidates questions and concerns were voiced about a polling place where the students do not know the candidates, the candidates are not allowed to campaign at the facility, and other voters would have a difficult time voting at this location. Assistant District Attorney Ron Heggemeier stated that he had called Gary Job Corp and the Gary Job Corp property is owned by the Department of Labor which is a federal facility. Therefore, it is his understanding that there cannot be a polling place at Gary Job Corp based on that knowledge and no action needs to be taken. It was suggested from several residents that the students register to vote in their home county and obtain a ballot by mail if there is concern about missing class to go to Lockhart or Luling to early vote or to vote in Martindale or one of the other election day polling places located in Caldwell County.

A-5

Presentation: David Welsh from GBRA on future water needs along SH-130 – Judge Duesterheft.

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David Welsch of GBRA presented information concerning finding sources of water for development along SH 130. He stated that GBRA is not a taxing entity and is operated by services provided to its customers. He informed Commissioners Court and interested persons that there will be a meeting at the Tri Community Water Supply Corporation on Wednesday night at 6 P.M. He invited everyone to review the information presented by GBRA.

A-6

Discussion/Action to approve resolution No. 12-2010 on the Record Stellar Achievements of the Lockhart Independent School District – Commissioner Cyrier.

Commissioner Cyrier stated that an acquaintance moving to the central Texas area chose Lockhart as his central Texas home because of the school district. Commissioner Cyrier read a Resolution Acknowledging Recent Stellar Achievements of the Lockhart Independent School District so that Caldwell County can acknowledge what Lockhart Independent School District is doing for Caldwell County with these accomplishments. Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Roland, to approve Resolution No. 12-2010 Acknowledging Recent Stellar Achievements of the Lockhart Independent School District. Motion carried unanimously.

A-7

Discussion/Action to approve contract number 2011-036101-001 between the Department of State Health Services for DSHS Program Vital Statistics Unit to issue Certifications of Vital Records and Caldwell County beginning 9-01-2010 and ends 8-31-2012 – County Clerk Nina Sells.

County Clerk Nina Sells explained that this contract with the Bureau of Vital Statistics allows Caldwell County residents or any resident to obtain a birth record from any Texas county through the Bureau of Vital Statistics data base from the Caldwell County Clerk's Office. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier, to approve contract number 2011-036101-001 between the State of Texas, for DSHS Program Vital Statistics Unit and Caldwell County for the purpose of allowing the Caldwell County Clerk's office to issue birth certificates through the Bureau of Vital Statistics data base. Motion carried unanimously.

A-8

Discussion/Action to approve a contract with Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital, a non-profit hospital, to purchase discounted outpatient drugs for low income individuals – Judge Duesterheft.

Indigent Health Care Coordinator Rhoda Chavira presented information concerning this contract with Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital to purchase discounted outpatient drugs for low income individuals. Motion made by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, that Caldwell County approve the certification that Caldwell County has an existing contract in place with Seton Edgar B. Davis Hospital, a non-profit hospital, to purchase discounted outpatient drugs for low income individuals. Motion carried unanimously.

A-9

Discussion/Action concerning joint project with Guadalupe County to replace the bridge located on CR 240B, Scull Crossing Bridge – Commissioner Madrigal.

Guadalupe County has finalized plans and has a contractor on board to replace the bridge located on CR 240B or the Scull Crossing Bridge. Commissioner Madrigal stated that unanimous approval for the bridge replacement at Scull Crossing has been obtained by the City of Martindale Council. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland, to give Guadalupe County approval to proceed with the bridge replacement on CR 240B, or the Scull Crossing Bridge, and request that Guadalupe County give Caldwell County the dates of closing the road for the construction. Motion carried unanimously. This bridge replacement is in Guadalupe County's budget.

A-10

Discussion/Action regarding the 3 Air Conditioner Units at the Slater Building, Blue Bonnet Trails, located in Luling – Building Supervisor Curtis Weber.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

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Discussion/Action regarding a comprehensive air quality assessment at the Judicial Center – Judge Duesterheft.

Judge Duesterheft explained that a comprehensive air quality assessment has been done at the Judicial Center that shows the air quality is good but confirmed there is moisture in the walls. Commissioner Cyrier stated that there will be a meeting with Broaddus who will prepare a report for Commissioners Court, probably in September. One county resident questioned the previous work done on the Judicial Center and was told that work did not include the problem with the walls and the double roof. Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to get more information on the air quality of this building and report the findings to Commissioners Court in September. Motion carried unanimously.

A-12

Discussion/Action to approve Continuation Certificate Bond for Auditor Sonny Rougeou the sum of \$5000 beginning September 24, 2010 and ending September 24, 2011 and approval of Continuation Certificate Bond for Constable Art Villarreal in the amount of \$1000 beginning September 28, 2010 and ending September 28, 2011 – Judge Duesterheft.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier, to approve the Continuation Certificate Bond for Auditor Sonny Rougeou in the amount of \$5000 beginning September 24, 2010 and ending September 24, 2011 and to approve the Continuation Certificate Bond for Constable Art Villarreal in the amount of \$1000 beginning September 28, 2010 and ending September 28, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

A-13

Discussion/Action to consider Outdoor Burning Ban for Caldwell County – Judge Duesterheft.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Bullock, to leave the Outdoor Burning Ban off for Caldwell County. Motion carried unanimously.

A-14

Pay Bills

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal, to approve bills totaling \$79,604.81. Motion carried unanimously.

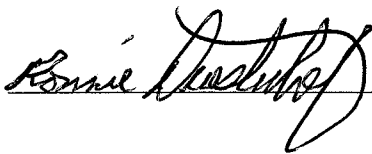
A-15

Budget Workshop.

Changes to the proposed 2010-2011 budget were examined and discussed.

Adjourn.

Motion made at 10:40 A.M. by Commissioner Bullock, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.



Ronnie Duesterheft, Caldwell County Judge