

CALDWELL COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
1403 Blackjack Street, Lockhart, Texas  
Regular Meeting November 17, 2014 9:00 a.m.



TOM D. BONN County Judge  
CAROL HOLCOMB County Clerk

ALFREDO MUÑOZ Commissioner Pct. 1  
FRED F. BUCHHOLTZ Commissioner Pct.2  
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct. 3  
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct.4

Call Meeting to order.

Commissioner Roland not present at start of meeting.

Judge Bonn welcomed everyone, reminding that this could possibly be the last meeting at the Annex. December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting will be in the courtroom at the Courthouse and December 15<sup>th</sup> will be held at the new Caldwell County Justice Center.

- 2014.11.17.01 Invocation.** Lockhart Ministry Alliance.  
John Griffin with Bread of Life Church opened the meeting with prayer.
- 2014.11.17.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.** (Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).  
Judge Bonn led those present in the Pledge to both Flags.
- 2014.11.17.03 Announcements:** Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.  
Commissioner Muñoz congratulated the Lockhart Lions for winning the game this past weekend. Commissioner Madrigal agreed with him.
- 2014.11.17.04 Citizens' Comments:** At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day).  
No speakers.
- 2014.11.17.05 Consent Agenda.** (Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda to be moved to the Regular Agenda for further discussion and action).
- A.** To approve Commissioners Court Minutes for November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
  - B.** To approve Continuation Certificate Bond No. 15530860 for Court Clerk, Jenifer Watts, for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand for the term beginning December 11, 2014 and ending December 11, 2015.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Muñoz to approve Consent Agenda. All Voting "Aye"

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**2014.11.17.06 Reports.**

Unit Road Systems Report – Dwight Jeffrey

Unit Road Supervisor Dwight Jeffrey reported the October Unit Road Systems Report and discussed the painting of the Fleet Maintenance area at the new Caldwell County Justice Center. Commissioner Madrigal asked that he report back to them with details of the paint needed and the labor to do it. Judge Bonn said that the matter would be discussed with Maintenance Supervisor Curtis Weber.

Commissioner Roland arrived.

Veteran's Report – David Francis

Veterans Service Officer David Francis reported the events for October and explained that it followed suit with September seeing more favorable decisions for Caldwell County Veterans. Commissioner Roland asked about the outcome of a veteran that was referred. David explained that with assistance from Chief Appraiser Mary LaPoint, Caldwell County Appraisal District, he had retained ownership of his homestead and one other piece of property. Commissioners Madrigal and Roland thank him for his service.

Maintenance Report – Curtis Weber

Maintenance Supervisor Curtis Weber reported the maintenance activities for October. He explained that he could get estimates for the paint and someone to paint at the Fleet Maintenance department. He explained that the floor would need significant cleaning and the painting would probably need to be done on a weekend. The discussion will continue with more details of when and who will be doing the work at a later meeting.

**2014.11.17.07 Special Presentations. None.**

**(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)**

**2014.11.17.08 Discussion/Action** to approve Budget Amendments #2013-18, #2013-19, #2013-20, and #2013-21 as the final budget amendments for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Budget Amendments #2013-18, #2013-19, #2013-20, and #2013-21 as the final budget amendments for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. All Voting "Aye"

**2014.11.17.09 Discussion/Action** to select a real estate brokerage firm to represent Caldwell County in the sale the buildings at 201 E. San Antonio St. and 100 E. Market St.

County Auditor Larry Roberson explained that he had only received one (1) reply of interest. It was from Davis Equity Realty, located in Weslaco, Texas. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Muñoz to allow Davis Equity Realty to represent Caldwell County in the sale the buildings at 201 E. San Antonio St. and 100 E. Market St., with Caldwell County counsel to prepare a contract. Commissioner Roland would still like to see the County hold on to the property at 201 E. San Antonio. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz to table. Motion failed for lack of second. Roll Vote for original motion: Commissioner Muñoz-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-No, Commissioner Madrigal-Yes, Commissioner Roland-No, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Passed.

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- 2014.11.17.10 Discussion/Action** to approve smoke detector system to be installed and monitored by Taylor Security Systems, Inc., at 505 Fannin Street, Luling, Texas. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve smoke detector system to be installed and monitored by Taylor Security Systems, Inc., at 505 Fannin Street, Luling, Texas at a cost of \$6,640 and \$35 per month to maintain with quarterly billing. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.11 Discussion/Action** to apply for the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) to purchase necessary P25 compliant radio equipment and provide the matching funds for the Caldwell County Fire Departments participation. Matching funds not to exceed \$50,000. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the application for the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFG) to purchase necessary P25 compliant radio equipment and provide the matching funds for the Caldwell County Fire Departments participation, not to exceed \$50,000. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.12 Discussion/Action** regarding Burn Ban for Caldwell County. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Muñoz to leave the burn ban off. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.13 Discussion/Action** to canvass the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 general constitutional and special election results.  
Judge Bonn read the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 general constitutional and special election results and recognized those present that had been elected and re-elected. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to approve canvass of the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2014 general constitutional and special election results. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.14 Discussion/Action** to approve the 2015 Caldwell County Employee Holiday calendar. Motion made by Judge Bonn, second by Commissioner Roland to approve the 2015 Caldwell County Employee Holiday calendar. That will total 13 ½ days. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.15 Discussion/Action** to approve the Caldwell County Employee Manual. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to table this item until December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014. That meeting will be held in the Courthouse second floor Courtroom. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.11.17.16 Adjournment**  
Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to Adjourn. All Voting "Aye"



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