

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
Regular Meeting October 17, 2011



TOM D. BONN County Judge
CAROL HOLCOMB County Clerk

JOHN P. CYRIER Commissioner Pct 1
FRED F. BUCHHOLTZ Commissioner Pct 2
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct 4

1. **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 the pledge to both the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag.

2. **Citizen's comments: 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 (5) minutes per person.**

Some citizens spoke on their concerns about the new positions and the spending of county funds. Judge Bonn recognizes former Mayor of Lockhart Jimmy Bertram in the meeting. Commissioner Buchholtz announces the Luling Lions-Kiwanis Fall Festival on October 23-24.

3. **Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting (October 10, 2011).**

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting dated October 10, 2011. Commissioner Cyrier abstains from vote due to early departure. All others voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

4. **Approve the Caldwell County Reports for the month of September 2011:**

A. Environmental Investigator Report -Mike Bittner

Mike Bittner gave the Environmental Investigator Report. He also reported that the Maxwell Community Cleanup is scheduled for November 11-12, 2011. Commissioner Madrigal said that he felt the cameras were helping. He had driven out to a few of the problem areas and they were much better.

B. Texas Agrilife Extension Service Report -Carissa Wilhelm

Carissa Wilhelm gave the Texas Agrilife Extension Service Report.

C. Veterans Officer report -David Francis

David Francis gave the Veterans Officer Report for September 2011. The date for "Take a Vet to Lunch" is set for November 12, 2011 at 11-2 at the VFW in Lockhart.

D. Building Maintenance report -Curtis Weber

Curtis Weber gave the Building Maintenance report for July and August.

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E. Emergency Management report -Jimmy Parker

Jimmy Parker gave the Emergency Management report for September. He also reports that the volunteer meeting on October 11 went well and another meeting is scheduled for October 20 at 1:00 p.m.

F. Sanitation Officer monthly report -Kasi Miles

Kasi Miles gave the Sanitation Officer report for September. She informs the court that her office is now complete at the new location and all phone numbers have remained the same.

G. Indigent Health Care and Indigent Burial-Rhoda Chavira

Rhoda Chavira gave the Indigent Health Care and Indigent Burial for September.

H. Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Report -Dwight Jeffrey

Dwight Jeffrey gave the Caldwell County Unit Road Systems report for September.

I. Caldwell County Tax Collection Report

Judge Bonn read the Caldwell County Tax Collection Report for September that was prepared by Carlton R. Pape, Chief Appraiser.

J. Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report

No report given.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz , seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the Caldwell County Reports. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to table the Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report that was not given. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

5. Discussion/Action concerning Interlocal Government Agreement-Joint Election between the Emergency Services District 2 and Caldwell County for the Annexation of certain defined territory on November 8, 2011. – Judge Bonn/Vicky Gonzales, Tax Assessor.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to approve the Interlocal Government Agreement for Joint Election between the Emergency Services District 2 and Caldwell County for the Annexation of certain defined territory on November 8, 2011. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

6. Discussion/Action concerning Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program Resolution No.20, 2011. – Judge Bonn.

Motion made by Judge Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve Resolution No. 20-2011, concerning the Texans Feeding Texans: Home-Delivered Meal Grant Program. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

7. Discussion/Action concerning adoption of Motion confirming the appointment of Ron Heggemeier to the position of County Administrator – Commission Buchholtz/Judge Bonn.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to table this item until next weeks meeting. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

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8. Discussion/Action concerning Caldwell County Administrator job description and duties- Commissioner Roland/Commissioner Madrigal.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to table this item until next weeks meeting. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

9. Discussion/Action concerning Caldwell County Treasurer's Office relocation- Commissioner Roland/Commissioner Madrigal.

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to leave the Caldwell County Treasurer's Office in the present space on the third floor of Courthouse and to put the Human Resource Office in the former Commissioner's Courtroom on the first floor of the Courthouse. Roll Call Vote, Commissioner Cyrier-No, Commissioner Buchholtz-No, Judge Bonn-No, Commissioner Madrigal-Yes, Commissioner Roland-Yes. Motion fails.

10. Discussion/Action concerning lowering the speed limit for CR 215 due to safety concerns/Commissioner Cyrier.

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to lower the speed limit on CR 215 to 30 mph due to safety concerns. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Supervisor Dwight Jeffrey lets the court know that the new signs will be posted in the required spots to notify public.

11. Discussion/Action concerning renewal of Emergency Notification System, (ENS) provided by CAPCOG for the period beginning October 1, 2011 and ending September 30, 2012.-Judge Bonn.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland deciding against renewal of Emergency Notification System (ENS) provided by CAPCOG for the period beginning October 1, 2011 and ending September 30, 2012. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED. Commissioner Madrigal will call the City and discuss the option that they have chosen and bring it back for discussion.

12. Discussion/Action to waive the \$225.00 fee for the residential construction permits for the victims of the Delhi Fire after all FEMA's regulations have been met including OSSF inspection-Kasi Miles/Ruth Gallegos.

Motion by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to wave all fees for associated permits for reconstruction for victims of the Delhi fire, provided that they come in for the needed permits. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

13. Discussion/Action concerning authorization for County Judge to execute Final Release and Settlement to Western Surety Company regarding receipt of payment of 40,000.00 from the Western Surety relating to Claim No. 9A-332120-Judge Bonn.

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Judge Bonn to authorize County Judge to execute Final Release and Settlement to Western Surety Company regarding receipt of payment of 40,000.00 from the Western Surety relating to Claim No. 9A-332120. Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Judge Bonn-Yes, Commissioner Madrigal-Abstaining, Commissioner Roland-Abstaining. Motion Passes

14. Pay Bills

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to pay the bills in the amount of \$54,883.86. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

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15. Discussion / Action concerning approval of an order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for East Fentress Subdivision. (Portion of Michael Gillan Survey A-10).-Commissioner Madrigal / Kasi Miles

Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve an order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for East Fentress Subdivision. (Portion of Michael Gillan Survey A-10). All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.

Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to adjourn. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED.



TOM D. BONN, County Judge