

**COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting July 18, 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

**Call Meeting to order.**

- 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 the United States and Texas Flag.

- 2. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the minutes dated July 11, 2011 with the addition of the final vote. The phrase: (All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED) to be included on #8. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

- 3. 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.**

Comments to be made reserved by Susan Modrall, Kathy Sellers, Barbara Decker, Herb Decker, Larry Sellers, Tracy Forrester and Linda Hinkle.

Linda Hinkle spoke to the Court concerning Family Land Grant and possible changes that she would like to see made to the requirements. She addressed on behalf of families that want to split off acreage to their children and the costs that may be included. Commissioner Madrigal comments that he would also like to ask Commissioner Buchholtz that while he is looking at the ordinances, to possibly review this item. Commissioner Roland lets everyone know that the Diez Y Seis will be in the Lockhart City Park instead of the Downtown Square this September.

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

**A. Environmental Investigator Report -Mike Bittner**

Mike Bittner read the Environmental Investigator Report for the month of June 2011. He reported that the cameras posted in an area prone to dumping had been found to be a deterrent.

**B. Texas Agrilife Extension Service Report -Carissa Wilhelm**

Postponed to a later meeting

**C. Veterans Officer report -David Francis**

David Francis, County Veterans Service Officer gave the monthly report for the Lockhart and Luling Veterans offices.

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**D. Building Maintenance report -Curtis Weber**

Curtis Weber, County Maintenance Supervisor gave the Building Maintenance report for the months of May and June. Updates were given on County Tax Office and County Clerks Office renovation.

**E. Emergency Management report -Jimmy Parker**

Postponed to later date.

**F. 911 Addressing Coordinator -Darla Law**

Postponed to later date.

**G. Sanitation Officer monthly report -Kasi Miles**

Kasi Miles gave the Sanitation Report for June, 2011. She reports that there is an increase of permits with the Sanitation Department. She feels due to not only residents complying with the law, but new residents moving into the County.

**H. Indigent Health Care and Indigent Burial-Rhoda Chavira**

Rhoda Chavira gave the Indigent Health Care report for the month of June. The Indigent Burial will be ready at a later date. The difference in the costs from last year and this year were extremely different due to Rhoda Chavira's training and diligent work in finding cost cutting programs. She was recognized by Judge Bonn for her work.

**I. Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Report -Dwight Jeffrey**

Dwight Jeffrey gave the Caldwell County Unit Road Systems Report for the month of June, 2011. Unit Road was able to attain gravel from LCRA to use for other road repairs in Caldwell County. The only cost was to move the materials from the original location and they were able to move 6500 tons of material to other needed locations within the county.

**J. Caldwell County Tax Collection Report**

Commissioner Buchholtz read the Caldwell County Tax Collection Report for June, 2011. Discussion on improvement of taxes paid this year verses 2010 collections.

**K. Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report (February 29, 2011)**

Lori Rangel-Pompa gave the Caldwell County Bank Reconciliation Report (February 29, 2011).

**Motion made by Judge Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to Approve the Caldwell County Reports for the month of June 2011, with exception of B, E, F, and Burial report on H. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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5. **Discussion/Action to approve a Proclamation proclaiming the week of July 17-23, 2011 as Caldwell County Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week-Judge Bonn/Gary Howard/Rochelle Thomas.**

Judge Bonn recognized District Judge Todd Blomerth in Court. Judge Bonn reads Proclamation to all present. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve a Proclamation proclaiming the week of July 17-23, 2011 as Caldwell County Probation, Parole and Community Supervision Week. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

6. **Discussion/Action concerning adoption of new cell phone policy for County Employees-Judge Bonn.**

Kathy Sellers and Susan Modrall spoke on the importance of the Caldwell County Employees that required cell phones and the importance of the County providing the equipment needed to perform their jobs. Commissioner Cyrier spoke about some of the advantages to the County budget with the new cell phone policy. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to adopt the new cell phone policy for County Employees. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

7. **Discussion/Action to approve a Certificate of Continuing Educations Hours for Environmental Training for Kasi Miles for the year 2011-Judge Bonn.**

Certificate of Continuing Educations Hours for Kasi Miles read by Commissioner Buchholtz. Motion made by Judge Bonn, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to approve a Certificate of Continuing Educations Hours for Environmental Training for Kasi Miles for the year 2011. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

8. **Discussion/Action concerning approval of a motion for preapproval of a Family Land Grant exception to platting concerning property located on Paintbrush Trail. (A portion of Nancy Readville Survey A-248)-Applicant Mark Shipwash-Commissioner Madrigal.**

Linda Hinkle and Kasi Miles explained situation and presented Court with descriptions of property on Paintbrush Trail. Mrs. Shipwash explained the use of the property and answered questions from the Court concerning Emergency vehicles and any situation that might arise. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to approve from Family Land Grant with variance from requirement that split connects to a public roadway and subject to compliance with all requirements as determined by staff. Item will be brought back to Commissioners Court as a consent agenda item. Staff will prepare an amendment to accomplish this procedure. Commissioner Buchholtz abstains from vote. Commissioner Cyrier, Commissioner Madrigal, Commissioner Roland and Judge Bonn vote "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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9. **Discussion/Action to give approval for the Court to request a bid from Texas Association of Counties (TAC) for Caldwell County Employees Health Insurance for the budget year 2011-2012-Judge Bonn.**

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to give approval for the Court to request a bid from Texas Association of Counties (TAC) for Caldwell County Employees Health Insurance for the budget year 2011-2012. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

10. **BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 23 to provide funding for the rebuilding of the transmission in the Galion Maintainer. This amendment does not require any additional appropriation.**

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to provide funding for the rebuilding of the transmission in the Galion Maintainer. This amendment does not require any additional appropriation. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

11. **BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 24 transfer between line items at the request of the elected official in order to provide funding for the purchase of office supplies.**

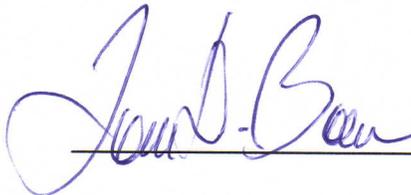
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve transfer between line items at the request of the elected official in order to provide funding for the purchase of office supplies. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

12. **Pay Bills**

Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to pay the bills in the amount of \$328,356.54. This includes \$12,502.68 for Total Indigent Defense. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

**ADJOURN**

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to Adjourn. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

  
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TOM D. BONN, County Judge