CALDWELL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES 1403 Blackjack Street, Lockhart, Texas November 19, 2012



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.

- 11.19.01 Invocation- Caldwell County Christian Ministries.

 Meeting was opened with prayer from a member of the Caldwell County Christian Ministries.
- 11.19.02 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 the Pledge to both Flags.
- 11.19.03 Announcements: Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.

 Judge Bonn lets everyone know that if anyone would like to sign it, there is a book at the front with the Petition that will be submitted for the reinstatement of the 65mph speed limit for the SH-130 toll road frontage. Commissioner Cyrier congratulates Commissioner Madrigal and Alfredo Munoz for winning the place in the election and looks forward to working with Alfredo in the future.
- 11.19.04 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). Steven Zunker spoke against Agenda item # 11. Rick Johnson discussed the Caldwell County 2012-2013 budget and spoke against agenda item #11. Says the budget should be followed. Tracy Forrester speaks about agenda item #11, and a Facebook group that the County Auditor has started. She feels that it is below his position. Kathy Sellers spoke against agenda Item #11 and feels that the County Auditor should not have an increase in pay. Susan Stewart spoke about concerns with the growth of our county. Susan Modrall addresses the tax revenues and asks the court to table item #11.

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11.19.05 Commissioners Court Minutes- None

11.19.06 Consent Agenda. (Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda be moved to the Regular Agenda for further discussion and action).

A. Approval of the 2012 Caldwell County Resolution No. 30-2012, Indigent Defense Grant Program.

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

11.19.07 County Administrator Report/Presentation

- A. Federal Inmate Revenue Report
- B. Tax Collection Report

County Administrator Ron Heggemeier gave both reports for the month of October 2012.

11.19.08 Special Presentations. None

11.19.09 Discussion/Action to ratify a Proclamation by Commissioner of Precinct 3, Neto Madrigal, recognizing October 6, 2012 as "Fentress Community Cemetery Day"

Commissioner Madrigal recognized the members of the Fentress Community Cemetery Association for the hard work and recognizes that the State of Texas only awards a limited number of historical plaques a year. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Cyrier to recognize October 6, 2012 as "Fentress Community Cemetery Day". All Voting "Aye"

11.19.10 Discussion/Action to approve Resolution No. 28-2012 supporting SH 130 connectors in all local, regional, and state long range transportation plans.

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Resolution 28-2012. All Voting "Aye"

11.19.11 Discussion/Action regarding Resolution 29-2012 in support of legislation to amend the Local Government Code to allow the possible increase of the Caldwell County auditor's compensation above existing limits. Assistant District Attorney, Mack Harrison let everyone know that this would not have impact on the present budget. He then recognized Judge Todd Blomerth to further explain the reason for the possible amendments. Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Resolution 29-2012. Commissioner Buchholtz reads the Resolution. Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Roland-No, Commissioner Madrigal-No, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Passed.

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- 11.19.12 Discussion/Action concerning recommendations from Investment Committee pertaining to investing the restricted reserve amount of \$740,000.00 for the employee retirement plan and ordering increase in amount of security pledged by county depository.

 Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, second by Commissioner Roland to approve the recommendation from the Investment Committee pertaining to investing the restricted reserve amount of \$740,000.00 for the employee retirement plan and ordering increase in amount of security pledged by county depository. Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-No, Commissioner Madrigal-Yes, Commissioner Roland-Yes, Judge Bonn-Yes. Motion Passed
- 11.19.13 Discussion/Action concerning an hourly rate exception for lead mechanic for light duty vehicle maintenance shop. Rate would be \$100.00 per eight hour day with mechanic supplying his/her own tools. Current hourly rate limit is \$10.00 per hour and this exemption would be for \$12.50 per hour if mechanic supplied their own tools.

 Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the exemption rate for \$100.00 per eight hour day, to be \$12.50 per hour if mechanic supplied his/her own tools. All Voting "Aye"

Recess-10:30 a.m. Reconvene-10:47 a.m.

- 11.19.14 Discussion/Action concerning approval of Letter of Agreement and Short- form Contract for Consulting Services for Data Center to be located in the new Judicial Center Complex.

 Mark Hinnenkamp explained some of the needs for the Data Center to be located in the new Judicial Center Complex. Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Letter of Agreement and Short-form Contract for Consulting Services for Data Center to be located in the new Judicial Center Complex, cost of \$125,000. to be paid out of tax notes for new Judicial Center. All Voting "Aye"
- 11.19.15 Discussion/Action to canvass the votes from the 2012 General Election Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Cyrier to approve the canvas of votes from the 2012 General Election. All Voting "Aye" Members of the Court congratulate all of those elected and thank Pam and her team for all of their hard work.

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11.19.16 Pay Bills- \$269,408.63

Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to pay the bills in the amount of \$269,408.63. All Voting "Aye"

11.19.17 Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Roland to adjourn. All Voting "Aye"

__TOM D. BONN, County Judge

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