

COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
Regular Meeting December 12, 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

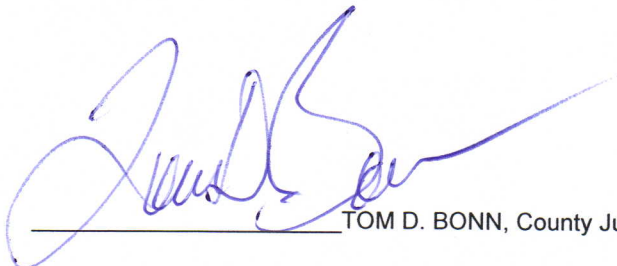
- 12.12.01 Invocation - Caldwell County Christian Ministries.**
Invocation given by Father Ryan Lozano.
- 12.12.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags, (Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).**
Judge Bonn led pledge to both flags.
- 12.12.03 Announcements: Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.**
Judge Bonn recognized the passing of Judge Louis Cisneros and his life here in Caldwell County. Commissioner Buchholtz told the court that the County website had been down on Friday but let everyone know that TAC, should have it back on line by now.
- 12.12.04 Citizen's Comments: At this time any person may speak to Commissioner 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 any items discussed and no discussion will be allowed between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by any speaker. (If longer than 30 minutes, then balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the meeting).**
Henry Hanson gives the Commissioners a brief overview of his credentials and asks to be recognized when they nominate for the Caldwell County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Susan Modrall is concerned about Non-Governmental Organizations and the involvement that Caldwell County may have with them.
- 12.12.05 Staff Reports/Comments:**
None
- 12.12.06 Consent Agenda: Approval of Minutes - November 28, 2011**
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the Minutes from the meeting dated November 28, 2011. Commissioner Cyrier abstains from vote due to absence of that meeting. All others voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.07 County Administrator/Manager Report/Presentation:**
A-Sales Tax update
B-Federal Prisoner Revenue update
C-Tax Collection Report November 2011
County Administrator Ron Heggemeier gave the report on the three items listed above. Sales Taxes and Federal Prisoner Revenue's are a little above the expected forecast at this time but the Tax Collection's are under at this time. He reports that the December collections are expected to bring up the amounts.

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- 12.12.08** **Special Presentations:**
None
- 12.12.09** **Executive Session pursuant to §551.072 of the Open Meeting Act concerning deliberations about real property and pursuant to §551.074 (Personnel Matters). Executive Session begins: 9:12 a.m. Court Reconvenes: 10:13 a.m.**
No decision made.
- 12.12.10** **Discussion/Action concerning the purchase of certain real property-Judge Bonn.**
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland for Caldwell County to purchase the property now known as the Wal-Mart on S. Colorado, Lockhart, for the amount of \$1,320,000.00 using \$105,000.00 as earnest money out of our reserves. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED. Judge Bonn reports that the plans are to begin remodeling the building March of 2012. Recognition is given to Ron Heggemeier for the constant communication between Caldwell County and Wal-Mart.
- 12.12.11** **Discussion/Action concerning appointment of Tax Assessor Collector-Judge Bonn Applicants are Joy Pardo, Rick Johnson, Karen Kirkpatrick, Sylvia Juarez, Debra French, and Grant Rostig.**
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to appoint Debra French to the position of in term Tax Assessor Collector. Commissioner's Madrigal and Roland both feel that the present Chief Deputy, Joy Pardo should be put in the position. Roll Vote taken, Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Commissioner Madrigal-No, Commissioner Roland-No. Judge Bonn-Yes.
- 12.12.12** **Discussion/Action concerning the appointment of Debra Korton as the new Human Resources Director- Judge Bonn**
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to appoint Debra Korton as the new Human Resources Director. Commissioner's Madrigal and Roland both agree that she is very qualified, but that Caldwell County is not in need of a Human Resource Department at this time. Roll Vote taken, Commissioner Cyrier-Yes, Commissioner Buchholtz-Yes, Commissioner Madrigal-No, Commissioner Roland-No. Judge Bonn-Yes.
- 12.12.13** **Discussion/Action concerning approval of the contribution rate of 4.44% of payroll to the Texas County District Retirement System for County Employees-Judge Bonn**
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve the contribution rate of 4.44% of payroll to the Texas County District Retirement System for County Employees. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.14** **Discussion/Action to consider outdoor Burning Ban for Caldwell County-Judge Bonn**
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to leave the outdoor Burn Ban for Caldwell County off at this time. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.15** **Discussion/Action to consider adopting an order regulating fireworks for the December 2011 fireworks season in either unincorporated areas or in specified areas of Caldwell County-Judge Bonn**
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to allow fireworks for the December 2011 fireworks season in either unincorporated areas or in specified areas of Caldwell County. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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- 12.12.16 Discussion/Action to consider Resolution No. 23-2011 casting votes on nomination for Directors to serve on the Caldwell County Appraisal District Board of Directors- Judge Bonn**
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland approving Resolution No. 23-2011, to cast 619 votes for Hye Brown, 502 for Frank Hinds, 558 for Bill Watson for the nomination for Directors to serve on the Caldwell County Appraisal District Board of Directors. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.17 Discussion/Action to appoint a staff person from Caldwell County to participate on the Technical Advisory Committee of CAMPO-John Cyrier**
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to appoint Bill Gardner, if he would accept, to the Technical Advisory Committee of CAMPO. Bill Gardner addressed the court accepting the position. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.18 Discussion/Action to choose name of title for position currently occupied by Ron Heggemeier.**
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to keep the title as County Administrator. Commissioner's Cyrier, Madrigal and Roland voting "Aye". Commissioner Buchholtz-No. Judge Bonn abstains from vote. MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.19 Discussion/Action to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$2,450.00 to cover the cost of radar unit ordered by Constable Villareal and Deputy Constable Michael Bell during the year ending 2010-2011-Joe Roland**
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve budget amendment to transfer \$1,000.00 from line 0461 to line 0531 and pay invoice for \$2,187.72 and to reimburse Constable Villareal with leftover available funds from \$2400.00, for any out of pocket payments on the unit. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.20 Discussion/Action to approve Resolution No. 25-2011 concerning the extension of both FM 150 and Yarrington Road from State Highway 21 to State Highway 130 in Caldwell County.- Neto Madrigal**
Michael J. Weaver gave an overview of the enclosed map with extensions listed above. He answered questions about costs and funds provided and the lengths of proposed extensions. Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to approve Resolution No. 25-2011 concerning the extension of both FM 150 and Yarrington Road from State Highway 21 to State Highway 130 in Caldwell County. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.21 Discussion on overtime for the month of November 2011-Judge Bonn**
12.12.22 Pay Bills.
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to pay bills in the amount of \$387,133.58. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 12.12.23 Adjournment**
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to Adjourn. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED



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