

# COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES

Regular Meeting January 23, 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

- 01.23.01 Invocation-Caldwell County Christian Ministries.**  
Invocation done by representative from the Ministerial Alliance, James Green.
- 01.23.02 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.
- 01.23.03 Announcements: Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.**  
Commissioner Roland commented that he had attended the Caldwell County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Saturday, January 21, 2012. He says that it had a good turn out and was very nice. Commissioner Madrigal commented on the Luling Junior Livestock show and the good turnout for sales. County Administrator, Ron Heggemeier announced that Commissioner Buchholtz had worked with Council and moved a few of the voting boxes in his precinct. If any of the other Commissioners would like to do so, please speak to Advisor at Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta, LLP to do this. Judge Bonn addressed the subject of changes to the County Land Ordinance. He reminded the court that there were changes to the section concerning Family Land Grant and that he continues to have an open door policy to discuss changes. He asks that any suggestions be submitted in writing.
- 01.23.04 Citizen's 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 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).**  
Citizens signed up to speak are Kathy Haigler and Frank Crittenden. Mr. Crittenden has concerns about the e-mail that was sent to Commissioner Madrigal and that he was awaiting the response that Commissioner Madrigal spoke about on January 17, 2012.  
Kathy Haigler had comments and concerns about Agenda item 01.23.09. She asked how many property owners had input and the question of the jurisdiction of the property.  
TXDOT representative Roy Dill spoke to court letting them know that TXDOT supported having Old Lockhart Road (County Road 176) Dead-end at the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1854 and State Highway 21.
- 01.23.05 Staff Reports/Comments**  
None
- 01.23.06 CONSENT AGENDA**  
**A. Approval of Minutes-January 9, 2012 and January 17, 2012.**  
**B. To set Final Plat Hearing at 9:30 a.m. on February 13, 2012 for the proposed Bridgestone Ranch subdivision (FM1185).**  
**C. To approve certificate of completion for required hours of education for Tina Morgan.**  
**D. To approve certificate of completion for required hours of education for Carol Holcomb.**  
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve the Consent Agenda. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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**01.23.07      COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT/PRESENTATIONS**  
None

**01.23.08      SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**  
None

**(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)**

**01.23.09      9:30 A.M. Public Hearing: Regarding having Old Lockhart Road (County Road 176) Dead-end at the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1854 and State Highway 21.**  
**Hearing begins: 9:32 a.m.**  
Commissioner Madrigal explained some of the safety hazards at the intersection. Bill Gardner, County Engineer, clarified that the jurisdiction of the intersection was the City of Mustang Ridge. Representatives from Flint Hill Resources and TXDOT spoke concerning the closing of the intersection.  
**Hearing ends: 9:36 a.m.**

**01.23.10      Discussion/Action to approve having Old Lockhart Road (County Road 176) Dead-end at the intersection of Farm-to-Market Road 1854 and State Highway 21.**  
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, seconded by Commissioner Madrigal to approve having Old Lockhart Road (County Road 176) dead-end with the end to be determined. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

**01.23.11      10:00 A.M. Public Hearing: Regarding the installation of speed bumps on Meadow Lane (County Road 69) near Martindale.**  
**Hearing begins: 10:00**  
Jeff Heller, a resident of Meadow Lane, has a petition with signatures of sixteen (16) of the twenty-two (22) residents residing there. He spoke about the safety hazards and why they are requesting the "speed bumps". County Engineer Bill Gardner clarified the difference between "speed bumps" and "traffic cushions". He informed the court that the "traffic cushions were more beneficial to slow regular vehicles but busses and larger wheel framed vehicles could avoid them. Commissioner Madrigal and Mr. Heller acknowledge that the property owner from the new tubing business has offered to pay up to \$3000.00 for the installation of the speed bumps. Kathy Sellers spoke concerning the noise levels that may be of concern.  
**Hearing ends: 10:07**

**01.23.12      Discussion/Action regarding the installation of speed bumps on Meadow Lane (County Road 69) near Martindale.**  
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to table this item until more information is gathered. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

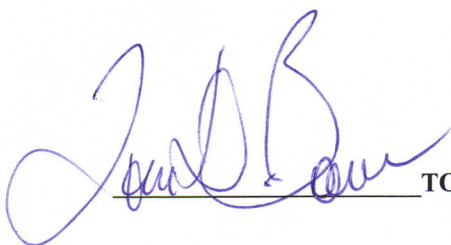
**01.23.13      Discussion/Action concerning approval of an Order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for Acorn Acres Subdivision. (Nancy Reaville Survey A-248).**  
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve an Order authorizing the filing of a Final Plat (Short Form Procedure) for Acorn Acres Subdivision. (Nancy Reaville Survey A-248). All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

**01.23.14      Discussion/Action concerning awarding bid for roof replacement at the Slater Building, 510 Pierce Street, Luling, Texas**  
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Buchholtz to table this item until next meeting. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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- 01.23.15**      **Discussion/Action regarding approval of Final Budget Amendments #31 and #32 for the Fiscal Year 2011.**  
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Roland to approve Final Budget Amendments #31 and #32 for the Fiscal Year 2011. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 01.23.16**      **Pay Bills**  
Motion made by Commissioner Cyrier, seconded by Commissioner Roland to pay bills in the amount of \$247,130.81. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED
- 01.23.17**      **Adjournment**  
Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, seconded by Commissioner Cyrier to adjourn.  
All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom D. Bonn", is written over a horizontal line.

**TOM D. BONN, County Judge**