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COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 23, 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MET IN A SPECIAL MEETING ON MONDAY, MAY 23, 2011 AT 9:00 AM. IN THE TITUS COUNTY COURTROOM, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

BRIAN P. LEE  
DON BOGGS  
MIKE FIELDS  
PHILLIP HINTON  
THOMAS HOCKADAY  
DIANNE NORRIS  
CARL JOHNSON  
SHERYL PREDDY  
TIM INGRAM

COUNTY JUDGE  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4  
COUNTY CLERK  
COUNTY AUDITOR  
COUNTY TREASURER  
SHERIFF

PUBLIC ATTENDING MEETING

CAROLYN NORMAN  
BRAD FOSDICK  
CHRISTIE DAVIS

JERRY CLARK  
NORMA NARRAMORE  
CHARITY JEFFERY

MICHELLE CLARK  
JAKE NARRAMORE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY: JUDGE BRIAN P. LEE  
INVOCATION: COMMISSIONER DON BOGGS

- 1) IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551-042, TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT. (LISTEN TO AUDIO TRACK 1, 00:00:45).

A. NO PUBLIC COMMENTS.

- 2) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES FROM MAY 12, 2011 REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT. (LISTEN TO AUDIO TRACK 1, 00:00:54)

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOGGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HINTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1 00:01:17).

- 3) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN TITUS COUNTY & DISTRICT RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN PROVISIONS FOR THE 2012 PLAN YEAR.  
(LISTEN TO AUDIO TRACK 1, 00:01:22)

A. CARL JOHNSON: THIS IS AN ANNUAL REVIEW THAT WE DO, IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE SUBMITTED THIS EARLY, BUT WE ALREADY KNOW WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO. THIS WILL NEED TO BE APPROVED AS PART OF THE BUDGETING PROCESS. IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE ANYTHING IN THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM SUCH AS PUT A COLA (COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT) WE HAVE TO LET THEM KNOW SO THEY CAN ADJUST THE RATES. THE COLA IS ONLY GOOD FOR ONE YEAR, AND THEN ADDRESS IT EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER. I RECOMMEND THAT YOU APPROVE THE PLAN AS IT HAS BEEN IN THE PAST.

THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HOCKADAY THAT WE LEAVE OUR PLAN AS IS, AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FIELDS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:03:54)

- 4) OPEN AND REVIEW BIDS ON CONTROL PANEL FOR JAIL. (LISTEN TO AUDIO TRACK 1, 00:04:06).

A. JUDGE BRIAN LEE:

(1) THE FIRST BID IS FROM CCC GROUP INCORPORATED OUT OF SAN ANTONIO: BASE BID OF \$161,714.00, THERE IS A DEDUCTION OPTION FOR REPORT LOGGING COMPUTER OF \$4,619.00, PAYMENT AND PERFORMANCE BOND OF 1.8%

(2) METROPLEX CONTROL SYSTEMS OF SAN ANTONIO: BASE PRICE OF \$212,740.00, AN ADDER FOR A FIVE YEAR EXTENDED WARRANTY FOR \$22,000.00.

(3) EASTER OWENS: \$278,217.00

(4) SYDAPTIC INC OF WACO: THEY HAVE A COUPLE OF OPTIONS (1) 270,509.99 AND A SLIGHTLY CHEAPER OPTION AT \$260,750.00.

THAT IS THE FOUR BIDS AND THEY WILL BE PACKAGED UP AND SENT WITH SHERIFF INGRAM FOR INVESTIGATION AND REVIEW.

THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HOCKADAY THAT WE TABLE THIS DECISION UNTIL THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THESE BIDS, AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HINTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:10:28)

- 5) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TITUS COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2011 TO REFINANCE CURRENT OBLIGATIONS AT A LOWER INTEREST RATE. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:10:30).
- A. JUDGE BRIAN LEE: WE ARE NOT TAKING ON ANY ADDITIONAL DEBT JUST LOOKING AT A REFINANCE OPTION THAT WE HAVE THAT MIGHT SAVE US SOME MONEY.
- B. TOM LAWRENCE, LAWRENCE FINANCIAL CONSULTING: THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR ON THE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION IN 2004 THAT CAME WITH AN INTEREST RATE 4.5%. THEY WERE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT 10 YEARS LATER (2014) AT A RATE TIED TO A PERCENTAGE TO FIVE YEAR TREASURIES AND THAT WOULD ADJUST UNTIL 2019. THE MAX WOULD BE 7% ON THAT ADJUSTMENT, WE DON'T KNOW IF THAT WOULD GO UP OR DOWN BUT MR LAWRENCE DISCUSSES THE REFINANCING BOND NUMBERS. (SEE ATTACHMENT #1)
- C. JUDGE BRIAN LEE: IF WE WERE TO DO NOTHING, THREE YEARS FROM NOW COULD ADJUST. IF RATES STAY THE SAME, WE ARE STILL LOOKING AT \$63,000.00 IN SAVINGS. IF THEY GO UP THAT SAVINGS COULD NEARLY DOUBLE.
- D. TOM LAWRENCE: RIGHT NOW THE FEDERAL RESERVE IS DOING EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO KEEP RATES DOWN AND THE REST OF THE MARKET FALLS IN LINE WITH WHAT THE TREASURY DOES.

THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER FIELDS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOCKADAY THAT WE ENTER INTO THIS REFINANCE ON OUR BONDS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:21:19).

- 6) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE FIRE TRAINING SEMINAR FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:22:22 )
- A. JERRY CLARK: MOST OF THE FIRES IN WEST TEXAS ARE CONTAINED RIGHT NOW, THE ONE THAT WE WERE ON WAS 200,000 ACRES AND IT WAS AN EXPERIENCE THAT WE WILL PROBABLY NEVER FORGET.
- B. JERRY CLARK IS REQUESTING THAT WE SEND SOME FIREFIGHTERS TO TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE ("TEES") ANNUAL SCHOOL THIS YEAR. TWO FIREFIGHTERS WILL COMPLETE THE FIRE EDUCATION PROGRAM (TWO YEAR PROGRAM) THEY WILL BECOME CERTIFIED FIRE EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS. TWO OTHERS WILL GO FOR THE SECOND OF THREE SEMINARS TO COMPLETE THE FIRE INVESTIGATOR, AFTER COMPLETION WE WILL BE CERTIFIED FIRE

INVESTIGATORS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS. WE ARE REQUESTING \$1700.00 FOR THE FOUR OF US TO GO.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HINTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HOCKADAY. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:28:02 AND/OR SEE ATTACHMENT #2)

- 7) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE TRAVEL AND SEMINARS FOR TITUS COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:29:50).

A. JUDGE BRIAN LEE PRESENTS THREE REQUESTS FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND TRAINING AND SCHOOLS.

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOGGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HINTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:31:46 AND/OR SEE ATTACHMENT #3)

- 8) APPROVE ORAL AND WRITTEN REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00: 31:55)

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOGGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HINTON. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:33:00 AND/OR SEE ATTACHMENT #4)

- 9) CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:33:05)

MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HINTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER FIELDS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:34:33 AND/OR SEE ATTACHMENT #5)

- 10) APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:34:39).

A. NONE

- 11) SIGN PAY ORDERS AND APPROVE PAYMENTS. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:34:45).

A. MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER HINTON AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BOGGS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:34:58).

- 12) CLOSING COMMENTS BY THE COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 00:35:00)

A. JUDGE BRIAN LEE: DURING OUR LAST MEETING WE APPROVED HIRING CHRIS BASHAM FOR LOOKING AT SOME OF OUR SPACE NEEDS AND SPECIFICALLY LOOKING AT THE FAR WEST END OF THE ANNEX. WE VISITED WITH JUDY COOK AND DEBRA ABSTON ALONG WITH SOME OF OUR EMPLOYEES AT ADULT PROBATION. NOTHING TO REPORT RIGHT NOW, CHRIS CAME UP WITH A LOT OF GOOD OBSERVATIONS. JUDY COOK HAD SOME GOOD IDEAS, AND CHRIS HAS A LOT BETTER FEEL OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

WE REALLY NEED SOME MORE COMPLETE FLOOR PLANS.

13) IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT. (LISTEN TO AUDIO TRACK 1, 00:40:17).

THE MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER BOGGS AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HINTON TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (LISTEN TO TRACK 1, 01:40:19)

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TITUS

The above and foregoing is a true and complete Transcription of my notes taken in my capacity as County Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011 at the time and place heretofore set forth.

Attested to this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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DIANNE NORRIS, Titus County Clerk