

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

REGULAR MEETING

10.05.2018

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OCTOBER 5, 2018**

The Titus County Commissioners' Court, after notice posted in the manner, form and contents as required by law, met in Regular Meeting on Friday, October 5, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Titus County Courtroom, Room 205, located at 100 West 1st Street with the following members present:

Brian P. Lee	-	County Judge
Al Riddle	-	Commissioner Precinct 1
Mike Fields	-	Commissioner Precinct 2
Dana Applewhite	-	Commissioner Precinct 3
Jimmy Parker	-	Commissioner Precinct 4
Joan Newman	-	County Clerk
Sheryl Preddy	-	County Treasurer
Tim Ingram	-	County Sheriff - Absent
Carl Johnson	-	County Auditor
Ray Barrett	-	Constable Precinct 2

PUBLIC ATTENDING

Steve Austin – VSO/TCHS	Rendy Orr - TCSO
Janice R. Chism	Philip Hoffman
Jessica Marvray	Chris Caplinger
Glen Calvert	Christie Davis
Carolyn Norman	

INVOCATION: Judge Brian Lee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Judge Brian Lee

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551.042, TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS

There were none.

2. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve minutes from September 24, 2018 special meeting of the Commissioners' Court. Motion passed unanimously.

3. REPORT FROM ROAD ENGINEER (ROGER LEDBETTER)

Due to the absence of Roger Ledbetter, Philip Hoffman gave the following report:

- Finished seal coat on CR 3225 and CR 2470
- Sections of CR 1315 sealed over
- CR 1670 – double seal on sections from two (2) weeks ago. Should be ready for final seal soon
- CR 1468 – leveled and final seal coat
- CR 3450 – leveled and final seal coat this week
- Received yearly allotment of RAP from TxDOT for the county and Chapel Hill ISD and have already started using.
- Started mowing again – have one (1) side cutter going
- Patching pot holes and leveling places where water stands
- Truck beds should be here soon
- Need bid from Ergon to provide liquid asphalt

4. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE STOP LOSS INSURANCE PROVIDER AND PREMIUM FOR RENEWAL

Motion was made by Commissioner Fields and seconded by Commissioner Riddle to approve QBE as Stop Loss Insurance Provider and premium for renewal and to go with Option 1 effective 01/01/2019. Motion passed unanimously. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 01\)](#)

5. REPORT FROM STEVE AUSTIN, TITUS COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION, REGARDING THE TCHC MERIT AWARD PROJECT

Chairman Steve W. Austin from the Titus County Historical Commission (TCHC) presented the Court with a handout regarding the TCHC Merit Award Project Log Book which was opened July 20, 2016. The purpose of the Merit Award is to further public awareness and education about the historical significance of a person, place or thing within Titus County. Markers are provided as a visual symbol that there is historic significance relating to the location of the TCHC Marker. The Greenhill Presbyterian Church was presented their Merit Award yesterday. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 02\)](#)

6. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE 2019 TITUS COUNTY RESOLUTION REGARDING THE INDIGENT DEFENSE GRANT PROGRAM

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve 2019 Titus County Resolution regarding the Indigent Defense Grant Program. Motion passed unanimously. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 03\)](#)

7. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE A MODIFICATION TO THE ELECTION ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Motion was made by Commissioner Riddle and seconded by Commissioner Fields to approve a modification to the Election Administration Office by cutting a 3 ft. wide cased opening between the Election Administrator's office and the work area of two employees; divide double wide cabinet into two (2) parts and reattach to another wall and minor electrical work to be done by Buck Jones in the amount of \$1400.00. Motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE REPAIRS TO THE NORTH COURTHOUSE STEP INCLUDING ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION

Glen Calvert from Priefert Complex Design came before the Court regarding repairs to the north courthouse steps. The main problem is a result of freeze thaw starting at the top and as it falls, moisture starts getting into the bottom causing deterioration on the bottom side. The concrete absorbs water and stays cold longer because the sun never warms up the north side. Salting makes it worse. The floor drains on the west side under the steps needs to be cleaned. Mr. Calvert gave the worst case scenario if complete concrete repair is needed. The landing and steps would have to be demolished with sidewalks needing repair work. It is difficult to get a bid until the state and quality of the concrete is determined. Another option is going with a company that builds chemical epoxy for repairs which would be less expensive and time consuming. [\(SEE ATTACHMENT 04\)](#)

The first step is to do a selective demolition to determine the thickness of the landing; drill into the top of the slab and cut a hole in the slab and steps. His recommendation is to get an investigative proposal for hourly and a not to exceed amount. Regardless of what is decided, Mr. Calvert stressed that the drainage needs to be investigated and addressed.

Commissioner Applewhite wanted clarification as to whether bids had been put out because someone had approached him about it. Commissioner Riddle stated that no bids had gone out but that two (2) people had come and looked at the project.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fields and seconded by Commissioner Riddle to hire Glen Calvert to review proposal rates and revisit at next Commissioners' Court meeting on October 22, 2018. Motion passed unanimously.

9. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE PLAT FOR LITTLE LAKE SUBDIVISION #3 REVISED, TEXAS BONARRICO HOMES, LLC, LOTS 5, 6, 7, 8 AND 9

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Applewhite to approve plat for Little Lake Subdivision #3 revised, Texas Bonarrico Homes, LLC, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. Motion passed unanimously. ([SEE ATTACHMENT 05](#))

10. APPROVE ORAL AND WRITTEN REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS

Motion was made by Commissioner Fields and seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve oral and written reports of county officials. Motion passed unanimously. ([SEE ATTACHMENT 06](#))

11. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Parker to approve treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously. ([SEE ATTACHMENT 07](#))

12. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

There were no budget amendments.

13. SIGN PAY ORDERS AND APPROVE PAYMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Parker and seconded by Commissioner Fields to sign pay orders and approve payments. Motion passed unanimously. ([SEE ATTACHMENT 08](#))

14. CLOSING COMMENTS BY COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY

Judge Lee reminded the Court that Monday was a holiday.

Commissioner Riddle wants to consider having some night meetings.

Commissioner Fields announced that there would be a Cross Country Meet at the high school.

ADJOURN:

Motion was made at 10:18 a.m. to adjourn by Commissioner Applewhite and seconded by Commissioner Parker. Motion passed unanimously.