**COMMISSIONERS’ COURT**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**JANUARY 12, 2015**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF BOSQUE**

On this the 12th day of January, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners Courtroom, in Meridian, Texas, the Bosque County Commissioners’ Court convened in Regular Session with the following present:

**Dewey Ratliff, County Judge**

**Douglas Day, Commissioner, Precinct #1**

**Durwood Koonsman, Commissioner, Precinct #2**

**Sammy Leach, Commissioner, Precinct #3**

**Ronny Liardon, Commissioner, Precinct #4**

**Tabatha Ferguson, County Clerk**

**1) CALL TO ORDER –** 9:05 a.m.

**2) DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** – all present

**3) PROOF OF NOTICE**

**4) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**5) END OF MONTH FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT**

Auditor Kent Reeves reported expenditure reports have been sent out as of December 31 to the precincts. They have begun work on the 2014 audit and will be done in a few months with Boucher, Morgan and Young.

**6) ORDER APPROVING OR DISAPPROVING TO PAY CLAIMS, SALARIES AND WAGES AGAINST COUNTY FUNDS**

Commissioner Day made the motion approving to pay claims, salaries and wages against county funds in the amount of $165,132.06. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**7) ORDER APPROVING OR DISAPPROVING TO PAY CLAIMS, SALARIES AND WAGES AGAINST PRECINCT FUNDS**

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion approving to pay claims, salaries and wages against precinct funds. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**8) LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the line item transfers. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**9) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PETITION TO VACATE, CLOSE OR ABANDON A PORTION OF COUNTY ROAD 2585**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to table until the next Commissioners Court Meeting. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**10) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE MERIDIAN EDC TO FUND A PROJECT OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS AT THE BOSQUE VALLEY GOLF COURSE**

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve Meridian EDC project at the Bosque Valley Golf Course. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**11) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF USING THE BOSQUE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP. FUND FOR THE BOSQUE VALLEY GOLF COURSE AND CLOSING THE BANK ACCOUNT**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to use Bosque County Economic Development Corp. funds for Bosque Valley Golf Course and close bank account. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved including Judge Ratliff.

**12) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF LOCATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN BOSQUE COUNTY AND FOREWARNED, LLC**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the location agreement between Bosque County and Forewarned, LLC. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

**13) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DECLARE ATTACHED LIST OF EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS, HAVING NO FUTURE USE BY THE COUNTY**

Commissioner Day made the motion to surplus the equipment having no future use by the county. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

**14) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DONATE ATTACHED LIST OF EQUIPMENT TO BOSQUE COUNTY RURAL FIRE ASSOCIATION**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve to donate equipment to the Bosque County Rural Fire Association. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**15) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SET DATE PLACE AND TIME FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING BOSQUE COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #1**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to set the public hearing for 9:30 a.m. February 23, 2015 in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**16)** **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF AN EMS COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN RFP FOR COUNTYWIDE EMS SERVICE**

Commissioner Liardon made the motion to create a committee to conduct a RFP made up of the 7 Mayors or their designee and Tim Jeske representing the County. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**17) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CONSOLIDATING VOTING PRECINCTS FOR POSSIBLE MAY ELECTION**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to table until the next Commissioners Court Meeting. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

**18) DISCUSSION AND ACTION APPROVING SHERIFF DEPARTMENT MAGNETS AGREEMENT**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the Sheriff Department Magnets Agreement. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

**19) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SET HOLIDAYS FOR 2015**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the attached holidays. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**20) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SET TERMS OF COMMISSIONERS COURT**

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to set the second and fourth Mondays at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**21) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING SELECTION OF MEMBERS FOR THE 2015 SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE**

The following names were randomly drawn Teresa Stacy, Sonya Alvizo and Kathy Dellert and Alternates of Albert Aeiles, Darlene Frase and Zeke Powell.

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the Salary Grievance Committee. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

**22) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDING CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT OF DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE FOR OFF-SITE SEWAGE INSPECTIONS**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to amend the contract as presented. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. Commissioner Leach, Commissioner Liardon and Judge Ratliff voted for. Commissioner Koonsman and Commissioner Day voted against.

**23) RECEIVE AND FILE CERTIFICATES FOR TIM JESKE**

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to receive and file the certificates for Tim Jeske. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**24) STATUS REPORT FOR 2015 COLLECTIONS**

Collections Coordinator, Jimmie Lou Lewis updated the court on the criminal collections for 2014.

**25) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE OATHS AND BONDS FOR:**

**Dewey Ratliff, County Judge**

**David Christian, County Court at Law Judge**

**Jeffrey Hightower, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1**

**James Zander, Justice of the Peace Precinct 2**

**Durwood Koonsman, Commissioner, Precinct 2**

**Ronny Liardon, Commissioner, Precinct 3**

**Juanita Miller, District Clerk**

**Tabatha Ferguson, County Clerk**

**Cheryl Niemeier, Treasurer**

**Robin Hamilton, Deputy District Clerk**

**Charlotte Kelly, Deputy District Clerk**

**Sonya Taylor, Assistant Treasurer**

**County Clerk’s Office Blanket Bond**

Commissioner Liardon made the motion to approve as presented. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**26) ANNOUNCEMENTS OR COMMENTS**

Judge Ratliff introduced Don Nichols from Congressman Roger Williams Office. Sheriff Malott informed the court that Hill County jail will be raising the rate for housing inmates to $43.00 per day.

Cecil Sedberry from West Shore thanked the Sheriff for assigning a deputy to patrol their area. The West Shore Community Center will have a Valentines breakfast.

**27) ADJOURN**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to adjourn at 11:12 a.m. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

I, TABATHA FERGUSON, COUNTY CLERK, ATTEST THAT THIS IS AN ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF A PROCEEDING OF THE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT HELD JANUARY 12, 2015.

TABATHA FERGUSON, BOSQUE COUNTY CLERK