**COMMISSIONERS’ COURT**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**MARCH 9, 2015**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF BOSQUE**

On this the 9th day of March, 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 –** 9:06 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 86% of General Fund Revenues are collected through taxes and 90% has been collected ($5,853,000.94). We have had $7.4 million in revenue and $4.2 million in expenditures. There is $4.3 million in the bank and $2.5 million in investments. All financial requests should go through the Auditor not the Treasurer. Audit schedules are being prepared and should start the audit in a few weeks. Commissioner Leach asked if there was a fund set up for building a jail. No money has actually been set aside for the jail but there is money going into the permanent improvement fund. Judge Ratliff suggested that it should be considered to set up a dedicated jail fund in the next budget process. There is currently $664,000 in permanent improvement.

**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 $99,645.21. 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 Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**8) LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the line item transfers. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**9) STATUS REPORT ABOUT JAIL FROM MARY FARLEY, JAIL ADMINISTRATOR**

Due to the bad weather Mary has not been able to get the figures together for the out of county beds and transportation cost. Inmates are being transferred to State Jail this should open up beds to bring inmates housed in other counties back to Bosque County. A plumber was called to assess the issues with the February high water bill. While troubleshooting the problem a leak was fixed in one of the cells. The intercom system in the eight mail cell will be installed when a tech can get here, once fixed it will op ened back up. The fire inspection is also being set up. Once these are fixed the Jail Commission will come back to finish the inspection. There are issues with the generator, which was purchased in 1964, it is having major leaks. She has talked to Wallace Electric and Beacon regarding quotes to have it repaired or purchase a new one. Bids for food are going out for bid now. New wiring was not installed when the intercom system was purchased in 2009. It is the wiring that needs to be replaced at this time. Once that is installed it should solve the problem.

**10) PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTION HONORING BEVERLY DULL**

Resolution was presented to Beverly Dull.

**11) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR POSSIBLE FUNDS UNDER PROVISIONS OF SECTION 381.004 OF TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE**

Commissioner Leach made the motion submit a request for possible funds under provisions of Section 381.004 of Texas Local Government Code. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**12) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPOINTMENTS FOR THE BOSQUE COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the list as presented for the Bosque County Historical Commission. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

**13) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING LAKE WHITNEY BOARD OF TOURISM LETTER, PROFIT & LOSS REPORT AND APPROVE AGREEMENT TO DELEGATE MANAGEMENT OF FUNDED ACTIVITIES TO ANOTHER ENTITY**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve agreement to delegate contingent to the County Attorney approval and annual report. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**14) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AZI EQUIPMENT MONTHLY RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR AN ASPHALT ZIPPER 600 TO BE RENTED BY COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to allow Precinct 1 to rent zipper for one week for contracted amount contingent to approval of the County Attorney. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

**15) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO DESIGNATE MICHAEL SHARP AND RITA BRUTON AS PLAN REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE “457” BENEFITS PLAN AND SECTION 125 CAFETERIA BENEFITS PLAN**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to designate Michael Sharp and Rita Bruton as plan representatives for the “457 Benefits plan and Section 125 Cafeteria Benefits Plan. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**16)** **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE LAKE PATROL LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the Lake Patrol Contract. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

**17) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT KEITH VANDIVER TO THE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION COUNCIL**

Commissioner Day made the motion to appoint Keith Vandiver to the Regional Transportation Coordination Council. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

**18) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SETTING COMPENSATION REGARDING PETIT JURORS, GRAND JURORS AND JURY COMMISSION**

Commissioner Liardon made the motion to set the jury compensation as presented. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

**19) RECEIVE AND FILE CERTIFICATE FOR DEWEY RATLIFF, COUNTY JUDGE**

Commissioner Leach made the motion to receive and file the certificate for Dewey Ratliff. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

**20) ANNOUNCEMENTS OR COMMENTS**

Next Monday a baked potato dinner fundraiser will be held for Maddy at 6:00 p.m. at the Meridian Civic Center.

**21) ADJOURN**

Commissioner Day made the motion to adjourn at 10:37 a.m. Commissioner Leach 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 MARCH 9, 2015.

TABATHA FERGUSON, BOSQUE COUNTY CLERK