

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 22, 2014**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BOSQUE**

On this the 22nd day of September, 2014 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
Jimmy Schmidt, Commissioner, Precinct #4
Tabatha Ferguson, County Clerk**

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – 9:04 a.m.**
- 2) DETERMINATION OF QUORUM – all present**
- 3) PROOF OF NOTICE**
- 4) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Agenda items are in the order they were taken in the meeting

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

Commissioner Schmidt made the motion to approve to pay claims, salaries and wages of \$90,875.13
Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

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

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

7) LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

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

8) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CLOSING COURTHOUSE ALL DAY ON OCTOBER 9, 2014 FOR SAFETY TRAINING

Commissioner Day made the motion to close the courthouse to the public for safety training.
Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

9) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT MARY LOU STARNATER AS ELECTION JUDGE FOR PRECINCT 8 AND RONALD W. WALTS AS ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR PRECINCT 11

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the appointments. Commissioner Schmidt seconded the motion. All approved.

10) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING ACCEPTING CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350 FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT MAGNETS ON BEHALF OF THE BOSQUE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve to accept the \$350 for magnets. Commissioner Schmidt seconded the motion. All approved.

11) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE REVISED PRIORITIZED LIST OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT PROGRAM

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the revised prioritized list. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

12) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER FUNDS OF APPROXIMATELY \$800,000 FROM THE PRECINCTS EXCESS RESERVE FUND BALANCES AND THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVE FUND BALANCE

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the request for authorization to transfer funds. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

13) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING COUNTY'S PART IN CLEAN UP ON PROPERTY AT 181 CR 1701, CLIFTON, TX

Commissioner Day made the motion for the County to furnish a dumpster and inmates and proceed with the project. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

14) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ADOPT 2014-2015 BUDGET (9:30)

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the 2014-2015 budget. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

15) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ADOPT 2014-2015 TAX RATE (9:40)

Commissioner Leach moved that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax of 0.436500, which is effectively a 2.90 percent increase in the tax rate. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

16) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE LEASE WITH AIRNET FOR RENTAL SPACE ON MERIDIAN TOWER

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the lease agreement with Airnet. Commissioner Schmidt seconded the motion. All approved.

17) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDED CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WITH NORTH BOSQUE EMS

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to approve the amended contract for emergency medical services. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

18) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE NEW COUNTY OFFICES BEING BUILT IN CLIFTON, TX

Commissioner Day reported that the insulation will be finished today. The sheet rock will go up maybe Wednesday and then they will tape and bed. The rock was ordered and should be delivered next week.

19) RECEIVE AND FILE CERTIFICATE FOR DEWEY RATLIFE, COUNTY JUDGE

Commissioner Day made the motion to receive and file the certificate. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

20) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BURN BAN

Commissioner Leach made the motion to leave the burn ban off. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

21) ANNOUNCEMENTS OR COMMENTS

22) ADJOURN

Commissioner Day made the motion to adjourn. 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 SEPTEMBER 22, 2014.

TABATHA FERGUSON, BOSQUE COUNTY CLERK