

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF BOSQUE**

On this the 14th day of September, 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) FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

Kent Reeves gave an end of year summary. 97% of taxes have been collected with \$166,274 left to receive. There is \$4,843,636 in checking and CD's. It takes \$587,000 a month for general fund to operate. There are a few transfers left to go into the precincts. Total revenue \$10,874,006 and total expenses \$9,736,475. He again reminds everyone to get purchase order numbers.

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

Commissioner Liardon made the motion approving to pay claims, salaries and wages against county funds in the amount of \$164,714.11. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

7) 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.

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

Ms. Farley reported that there are currently 33 housed in Bosque County, 30 males and 3 females. 10 are being housed out of county, 7 males and 3 females for an overall total of 43. Bed leasing as of the 3rd of September is \$4130 at Hill County, \$2100 at Comanche County and there hasn't been a bill received yet for Limestone County. Medical bills were substantially higher due to a female inmate. Transportation for the month was 4 trips to Hill County, 3 trips to Comanche County and 2 trips to Limestone County. She has been told Hill County is going up on the rates, she has not received a letter in writing yet. We have until the end of the month to get the inmates out if we do not agree with the new rate. She is looking at rates with other agencies. The rate

for Limestone County is \$42 and \$32 in Comanche County. She is also looking at the Jack Harwell Detention Center in Waco. Judge Ratliff set the first jail workshop for 1:30 p.m., October 13, 2015.

10) FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE

Judge Ratliff opened the public hearing at 9:43 a.m., no comments were made, public hearing closed at 9:44 a.m.

11) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE ONGOING DONATIONS TO SENIOR SERVICES FOR MEALS AND HELP SUPPORT THE OPERATIONS OF THE CENTER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the ongoing donations to the Senior Services for October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

12) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE RENEWAL OF CONTRACT NUMBER 537-16-0087-0001 BY AND BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES VITAL STATISTICS UNIT AND BOSQUE COUNTY FOR REMOTE SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE OF ISSUING INDIVIDUAL BIRTH CERTIFICATES

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

13) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE LICENSE AND SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AND BOSQUE COUNTY

Commissioner Day made the motion approve the license and service agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. and Bosque County. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

14) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CONTRACT FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY AND BETWEEN INTEGRATED DATA SERVICES AND BOSQUE COUNTY

Commissioner Day made the motion to approve the contact with Integrated Data Services. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

15) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FROM MERIDIAN CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TO PARTICIPATE IN BOSQUE COUNTY SHERIFF'S INMATE WORK CREW PROGRAM

Commissioner Day made the motion to accept Meridian Cemetery Association to participate in Bosque County Inmate Work Crew Program. Commissioner Koonsman seconded the motion. All approved.

16) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT BETWEEN TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT AND BOSQUE COUNTY FOR LEASE AGREEMENT ON RADIO TOWER

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Contract with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Bosque County for lease on the radio tower. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

17) DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE HEART OF TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND BOSQUE COUNTY FOR E9-1-1 AUTOMATIC LOCATION INFORMATION MAINTENANCE SERVICES AND E9-1-1 PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT SERVICES

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve both the Interlocal Agreement's. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

18) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE BOND AND OATH FOR AZUSENA V. LIRA, DEPUTY DISTRICT CLERK

Commissioner Leach made the motion to approve the bond and oath for Azusena V. Lira, Deputy District Clerk. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

19) RECEIVE AND FILE ORDER REAPPOINTING COURT REPORTER

Commissioner Koonsman made the motion to receive and file the Order Reappointing Court Reporter. Commissioner Liardon seconded the motion. All approved.

20) RECEIVE AND FILE ORDER OF RE-APPOINTMENT WITH SALARY INCREASE FOR JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS FOR 220TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Commissioner Leach made the motion to receive and file the Order of Re-appointment. Commissioner Day seconded the motion. All approved.

21) DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BURN BAN

Commissioner Liardon made the motion to leave the burn ban off and put on the next agenda. Commissioner Leach seconded the motion. All approved.

22) ANNOUNCEMENTS OR COMMENTS

A resident on CR 2545 spoke regarding the deplorable conditions of CR 2540 North. She also asked for a recycling program to be looked into for the residents. Judge Ratliff announced that TxDOT gave feedback that Bosque County was one of the few submitting the CTERZ properly. He also received a note from a resident on CR 2720 that Commissioner Koonsman was doing an outstanding job. The Old Whipple Bridge is scheduled to be replaced next year and TxDOT will have an open house at 6:00 p.m. next Monday at the Clifton Civic Center to answer any questions. Commissioner Koonsman let the Judge know that Judge Harmon from Johnson County contacted him in regards to the bridge at Brazos Point needing repair.

23) ADJOURN

Commissioner Leach made the motion to adjourn at 10:29 a.m. All approved.

I, TABATHA FERGUSON, COUNTY CLERK, ATTEST THAT THIS IS AN ACCURATE ACCOUNTING OF A PROCEEDING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT HELD SEPTEMBER 14, 2015.

TABATHA FERGUSON, BOSQUE COUNTY CLERK