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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
July 15, 2014

On Tuesday July 15, 2014, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Smith County, Texas, met for a regular meeting in the Smith County Commissioners Courtroom at the Smith County Courthouse Annex, 200 East Ferguson, in the City of Tyler, Texas.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Joel P. Baker, County Judge, called the meeting to order with members present:

County Judge: Joel P. Baker	Presiding
Commissioner: Precinct 1 Jeff Warr	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 2 Cary Nix	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 3 Terry Phillips	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton	Absent

II. INVOCATION

Commissioner Terry Phillips led the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF TEXAS

IV. OPEN SESSION

1. Bids: Window Replacement

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to authorize Purchasing Director to advertise and request sealed bids for window replacement project at 322 East Ferguson.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

2. Bids: Meal Services at Correctional Facilities

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to authorize Purchasing Director to advertise and request sealed bids for meal services at Smith County correctional facilities.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

3. Bids: Medical Services at Correctional Facilities

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to authorize Purchasing Director to advertise and request sealed bids for medical services at Smith County correctional facilities.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

4. Vacant Positions: Road & Bridge Department

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to approve filling vacant Operator I positions in Quadrant 4 in the Road & Bridge Department.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

5. Standard Letters of Agreement: Dredged Materials

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to approve ratification of standard letters of agreement for disposal of dredged materials. Agreements attached.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

6. Report: Road and Bridge Department

Commissioners Court received status report from the Road and Bridge Department. Copy attached.

7. Payment of Accounts

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve and/or ratify payment of accounts, bills, payroll, and transfer of funds, amendments, and health claims. Copies attached.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

8. Jail Projects Update and Recommendation(s)

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to approve change order request (COR) #038 in the amount of \$2,347.00 to add emergency power to the jail project.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

9. Report: Smith County Jail Status and Related Information

\$20,111,684 Expenditure to date (Contract Housing)
\$526,110 Expenditure Budget Year 13/14 (Contract Housing)
700 Total Population, 570 Male, 130 Female
683 in Smith County Jail and 17 transferred to other Counties.
11 Federal Prisoners, 7 scheduled to TDC, 38 papers ready.
25 Parole violations and 34 Parole violations with other charges.
66 Total child support cases, 42 non-payment of child support and
24 non-payment of child support with other charges.
Average stay for non-payment of child support: 75 days.
11 open jailer positions
Smith County Jail Population Summary attached. No action necessary.

VI. **CLOSED SESSION: To consult, receive, and seek advice from attorney pursuant to Section 551.071, 551.072 and 551.0725 of the Texas Government Code.**

10. Receive consultation and seek legal advice regarding available options concerning security issues and/or public safety, including but not limited to the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices or a security audit pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 551.076.
11. Receive legal update briefing and consultation and seek legal advice regarding pending contracts and procurement requirements.

Commissioners Court passed on Closed Session and moved to agenda item 12 still in Open Session.

V. **OPEN SESSION**

12. Security: Personnel/Devices/Audit

Commissioners Court took no action on agenda item 12 to discuss, consider, and take any necessary action relevant to the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices or a security audit.

13. Contract: Procurement Requirements.

Commissioners Court took no action on agenda item 13 to discuss, consider and take any necessary action regarding pending contract and procurement requirements.

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VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment: Mr. Bob Brewer. Public participation form attached.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Judge Joel P. Baker

Approved: Joel Baker

Chairperson Commissioners Court



ATTESTED:

Karen Phillips, County Clerk
Smith County Texas

By: Nathaniel Fields
Nathaniel Fields, Deputy Clerk