

FILED  
December 9, 2014  
at 10:32 A.M.  
Karen Phillips, County Clerk  
Smith County, Texas  
By: [Signature] Deputy

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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES  
December 9, 2014

On Tuesday December 9, 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	Present

**II. INVOCATION**

Gary Pinkerton, Smith County's Pre-Trial Services Director, led the invocation.

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

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment at this time.

**V. OPEN SESSION**

1. Smith County Employee Deferred Compensation Plan

Commissioners Court discussed the Smith County Employee Deferred Compensation Plan. No action taken.

2. Monthly Reports: Smith County Departments

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

3. Report: Property Tax Collections Current/Delinquent

Commissioners Court received into the Court's minutes the current and delinquent property tax collections report for Smith County from Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP. Report attached.

4. Report: Auditor/Treasurer

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to accept the Auditor/Treasurer report for November 2014.

*Passed 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).*

5. Payment of Accounts

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to approve and/or ratify payment of accounts, bills, payroll, and transfer of funds, amendments, and health claims. Copies attached.

*Passed 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).*

6. Jail Projects Update and Recommendation(s)

a) Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton to approve the additional balance in the amount of \$2,911.00 to finish the offices in the tunnel at the jail.

*Passed 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).*

b) Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to approve change order request in the amount of \$15,600.00 to replace the old water valves at the jail.

*Passed 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).*

7. Report: Smith County Jail Status and Related Information

\$20,280,014 Expenditure to date (Contract Housing)

\$70,110 Expenditure Budget Year 14/15 (Contract Housing)

617 Total Population, 497 Male, 120 Female

598 in Smith County Jail and 19 transferred to other Counties.

19 Federal Prisoners, 8 scheduled to TDC, 31 papers ready.

16 Parole violations and 42 Parole violations with other charges.

56 Total child support cases, 26 non-payment of child support and

30 non-payment of child support with other charges.

Average stay for non-payment of child support: 85 days.

16 open jailer positions

Smith County Jail Population Summary attached. No action necessary.

Commissioners Court recessed Open Session at 9:46 a.m. and went into Closed Session.

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

8. Receive consultation and seek legal advice regarding available options for general real estate and lease matters related to master plan and county facilities.

Commissioners Court recessed Closed Session at 10:05 a.m. and went directly into Open Session.

**VII. OPEN SESSION**

9. County Facilities: Real Estate

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner -- Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve the renewal lease agreement with State Representative Matt Schaefer.  
*Passed 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).*

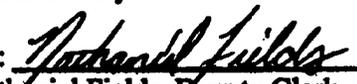
**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned by Judge Joel P. Baker

Approved:   
Chairperson Commissioners Court



ATTESTED:  
Karen Phillips, County Clerk  
Smith County Texas

By:   
Nathaniel Fields, Deputy Clerk



# COUNTY OF SMITH

**KAREN PHILLIPS, County Clerk**  
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## THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SMITH

I, KAREN PHILLIPS, COUNTY CLERK, OF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a Notice of Commissioners Court Meeting of Smith County as appears on record in Commissioners Court Minutes records of Smith County, Texas.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, this 9th day of December, 2014 A.D.

Karen Phillips, Clerk County Court,  
Smith County, Texas



By Nathaniel Fields  
Nathaniel Fields, Deputy Clerk