

58-14
COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
December 30, 2014

FILED
December 30, 2014
at *11:47 A.M.*
Karen Phillips, County Clerk
Smith County, Texas
By: *M. Fisher* Deputy

On Tuesday December 30, 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

Commissioner Terry Phillips 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. Presentation: Employee Recognition/Longevity Certificates/Service Pins

Employee Recognition:

Michael Willard, Facility Services Department, 5 years of service
Oren Hale, Fire Marshal's Office, 15 years of service
Verna Carroll, Pre-Trail Office, 15 years of service

2. Commissioners Court Meetings and Procedures

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve renewal of Public Official bonds for the following:

- a) Commissioner JoAnn Hampton, Precinct 4 Commissioner, for a four-year term
- b) Judge Jason Ellis, County Court at Law Judge, for a four-year term
- c) Mrs. Lois Rogers, District Clerk, for a four-year term
- d) Ms. Kim Gould, County Purchasing Director, for a term commencing on January 2, 2015

Bonds attached.

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

3. Commissioners Court Minutes: October 2014

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to accept Commissioners Court minutes for October 2014. Copies attached.

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

4. Commissioners Court Recordings: October 2014

Commissioners Court received recordings of the Commissioners Court's meetings for October 2014.

5. Payment of Accounts

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton 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 5-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: (None).

6. Jail Projects Update and Recommendation(s)

Commissioners Court received status report and update from Commissioner Jeff Warr on the progress of the jail project.

7. Report: Smith County Jail Status and Related Information

\$20,287,424 Expenditure to date (Contract Housing)
\$77,520 Expenditure Budget Year 14/15 (Contract Housing)
589 Total Population, 471 Male, 118 Female
579 in Smith County Jail and 10 transferred to other Counties.
18 Federal Prisoners, 13 scheduled to TDC, 38 papers ready.
10 Parole violations and 33 Parole violations with other charges.
46 Total child support cases, 27 non-payment of child support and
19 non-payment of child support with other charges.
Average stay for non-payment of child support: 86 days.
19 open jailer positions
Smith County Jail Population Summary attached. No action necessary.

Commissioners Court recessed Open Session at 9:40 a.m. and went into Closed Session.

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.**

8. Discuss personnel matters, including but not limited to employment or duties of departments supervised by the Smith County Commissioners Court.
9. Receive legal update briefing and seek legal advice regarding pending contracts and procurement requirements.
10. 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 10:33 a.m. and went directly into Open Session.

VII. **OPEN SESSION**

11. Personnel: Employment / Duties of Departments

Commissioners Court took no action on agenda item 11 to consider and take any action regarding employment or duties of departments supervised by the Smith County Commissioners Court.

12. Contracts: Procurement Requirements

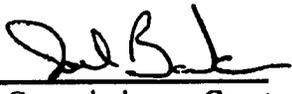
Commissioners Court took no action on agenda item 12 to consider action regarding pending contracts and procurement requirements.

13. County Facilities: Real Estate

Commissioners Court took no action on agenda item 13 to consider general real estate and lease matters related to master plan and county facilities.

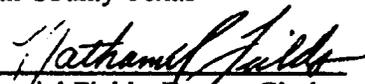
VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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



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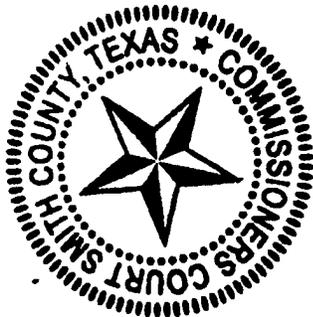
KAREN PHILLIPS, County Clerk
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THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SMITH

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 30th day of December, 2014 A.D.

Karen Phillips, Clerk County Court,
Smith County, Texas



By Nathaniel Fields
Nathaniel Fields, Deputy Clerk