

CALDWELL COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
1703 South Colorado, Lockhart, Texas
Regular Meeting December 15, 2014 9:00 a.m.



TOM D. BONN County Judge
CAROL HOLCOMB County Clerk

ALFREDO MUÑOZ Commissioner Pct. 1
FRED F. BUCHHOLTZ Commissioner Pct.2
NETO MADRIGAL Commissioner Pct. 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct.4

Call Meeting to order.

- 2014.12.15.01 Invocation.** Lockhart Ministry Alliance.
Phyllis Metcalfe opened the meeting with prayer.
- 2014.12.15.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.** (Texas Pledge: Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).
Judge Bonn led all present in the Pledge to both Flags.
- 2014.12.15.03 Announcements:** Items or comments from Court Members or Staff.
Commissioner Roland expressed pleasure for the LISD varsity men's basketball team. They have done exceedingly well and this past weekend two of the team members were awarded two tournament trophies. Commissioner Madrigal welcomed everyone to the new Justice Center. Commissioner Buchholtz and Commissioner Muñoz express that this is an exciting day and are looking forward to showing it off. Judge Bonn Recognized Architect Robert Steinbomer, Project Manager Les Reddin and Contractor Darrel Quinlivan for their work on the Justice Center.
- 2014.12.15.04 Citizens' Comments:** At this time any person may speak to Commissioners Court if they have filled out a Caldwell County Commissioners Court Participation Form. Comments will be limited to four (4) minutes per person. No action will be taken on these items and no discussion will be had between the speaker(s) and members of the Court. The Court does retain the right to correct factual inaccuracies made by the speakers. (If longer than 30 minutes, then the balance of comments will continue as the last agenda item of the day).
Lou McNaughton spoke concerning Agenda items #9 and #12. She felt that the newly elected County Judge Shawe should be appointed to make the decision for the engineering contract. And on #9, that the county should maintain workers comp for volunteer emergency personnel.
- 2014.12.15.05 Consent Agenda.** (Any member of the Court may request that an item within the Consent Agenda to be moved to the Regular Agenda for further discussion and action).
- A.** To approve Commissioners Court Minutes for December 8th, 2014.
- B.** To approve Caldwell County employee's renewal of Bonds for the following:
- Edward Moses, Jr.,** Commissioner, Precinct 2, Official Bond and Oath No. 62238921 for Caldwell County in the amount of Three Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2019. **Cost:** \$177.50.
- Neto Madrigal,** Commissioner, Precinct 3, Official Bond and Oath No. 15663556 for Caldwell County in the amount of Three Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2017. **Cost:** \$92.50.

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Fred Weber, District Attorney, Official Bond and Oath No. 62238849 Caldwell County in the amount of Five Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2019. **Cost:** \$177.50.

Lori Rangel, Treasurer, Official Bond and Oath No. 15530864 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Hundred Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2019. **Cost:** \$1,775.00.

County Clerks, Official Bond and Oath No. 18263303 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Hundred Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 2, 2016. **Cost:** \$350.00.

Homer Horne, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, Official Bond and Oath No. 15530861 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2019. **Cost:** \$177.50.

Richard Callihan, Constable, Precinct 2, Official Bond and Oath No. 14268135 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2018. **Cost:** \$135.00.

Ben Brady, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Official Bond and Oath No. 62238883 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2019. **Cost:** \$177.50.

Margarito Zapata, Jr., Constable, Precinct 3, Official Bond and Oath No. 15663557 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2017. **Cost:** \$92.50.

Raymond DeLeon, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 4, Official Bond and Oath No. 15530862 for Caldwell County in the amount of One Thousand dollars for the term beginning January 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2016. **Cost:** \$177.50.

- C. To approve Continuing Education for Darla Law, Caldwell County Tax Assessor-Collector for the year January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.
Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to approve Consent Agenda items A-C. All Voting "Aye"

2014.12.15.06 **Reports. None.**

2014.12.15.07 **Special Presentations. Presentations to County Judge, Tom D. Bonn and Commissioner Buchholtz for their commitment and service to the citizens of Caldwell County.**

Judge Bonn presented Commissioner Buchholtz with a plaque for his service to the County. Commissioner Buchholtz thanked God and the people of Precinct 2 for giving him the opportunity to represent them. He said that it has been rewarding and appreciates the honor. Commissioner Madrigal presented Judge Bonn with a plaque for his service as a Commissioner from 2005-2010 and then as County Judge from 2011 to the present. Both agreeing that while through the ups and downs, the Court has maintained respect for each other. Judge Bonn thanked those that he has worked with and his wife for supporting him the past ten years.

(ALL OTHER AGENDA ITEMS)

2014.12.15.08 **Discussion/Action** regarding Burn Ban for Caldwell County.
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to leave the burn ban off at this time. All Voting "Aye"

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- 2014.12.15.09** **Discussion/Action** to approve Resolution No. 23-2014 ordering that Volunteer Emergency Medical Personnel be removed from Workers' Compensation benefits under the County's contract with Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool. **Cost:** None; **Speaker:** Judge Bonn/Larry Roberson;
County Auditor Larry Roberson explained that this pertains to the CCMAT that had been dissolved a few years back. The resolution is needed for insurance purposes. Motion made by Commissioner Buchholtz, second by Commissioner Muñoz to approve Resolution No. 23-2014 ordering that Volunteer Emergency Medical Personnel be removed from Workers' Compensation benefits under the County's contract with Texas Association of Counties Risk Management Pool. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.12.15.10** **Discussion/Action** to accept public streets and drainage of Sunrise Meadows Subdivision Phase I development as complete and ready to begin the two year performance period of said public improvements as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the amount of \$28,383.25
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Madrigal to accept public streets and drainage of Sunrise Meadows Subdivision Phase I development as complete and ready to begin the two year performance period of said public improvements as evidenced by a maintenance bond in the amount of \$28,383.25. All voting "Aye"
- 2014.12.15.11** **Discussion/Action** to accept public improvements in Terra Verde Subdivision for permanent county maintenance and to release maintenance bond posted by Dale Lowden Excavating Incorporated as security against damages or defected work for public improvements in Terra Verde Subdivision, as provided by subsections 3.8.5(G) and 3.8.5(H) of the Caldwell County Development Ordinance.
Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Madrigal to accept public improvements in Terra Verde Subdivision for permanent county maintenance and to release maintenance bond posted by Dale Lowden Excavating Incorporated as security against damages or defected work for public improvements in Terra Verde Subdivision, as provided by subsections 3.8.5(G) and 3.8.5(H) of the Caldwell County Development Ordinance. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.12.15.12** **Discussion/Action** to authorize Judge Bonn to negotiate and sign a contract with **Jones & Carter, Inc.** to provide engineering services for the four SH 130 Concession Funded county road projects.
Michael Aulick refreshed the details behind the selection of Jones & Carter. Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Buchholtz to authorize Judge Bonn to negotiate and sign a contract with Jones & Carter, Inc. to provide engineering services for the four SH 130 Concession Funded county road projects. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.12.15.13** **Discussion Action** to appoint Commissioner Alfredo Muñoz as Caldwell County's representative on the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Transportation Policy Board (TPB).
Motion made by Commissioner Madrigal, second by Commissioner Roland to appoint Commissioner Alfredo Muñoz as Caldwell County's representative on the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) Transportation Policy Board (TPB). Judge Bonn adds that former Commissioner Cyrier has resigned the position. All Voting "Aye"
- 2014.12.15.14** **Adjournment**
Motion made by Commissioner Muñoz, second by Commissioner Madrigal to recess for the Grand opening of the Justice Center.



TOM D. BONN, County Judge