COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES 110 S. Main St. 2nd Floor, Lockhart, Texas Regular Meeting January 08, 2018 9:00 a.m.



KEN SCHAWE CAROL HOLCOMB County Judge County Clerk TERRY WRIGHT EDDIE MOSES ED THERIOT Commissioner Pct. 1 Commissioner Pct. 2

ED THERIOT Commissioner Pct. 3
JOE IVAN ROLAND Commissioner Pct. 4

Call Meeting to Order.

Judge Schawe calls the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. All members are present.

Invocation. Lockhart Ministerial Alliance

Caldwell County resident Kenneth Sneed volunteers to open the meeting in prayer.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.</u> (<u>Texas Pledge</u>: Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible).

Judge Schawe leads all present in the pledge to both flags.

Announcements. Items or comments from Court members or staff.

Commissioner Wright says he met with County Engineer Jacque Thomas, Lockhart Mayor Lew White, Elections Administrator Pamela Ohlendorf, and Human Recourses Coordinator Bob Bush. He says the County has very good employees and the reports he has reviewed are detailed and informative. He says he was congratulated on his Commissioner position by high school classmate Janet Carrigan who is Fayette County's Emergency Management Coordinator.

Commissioner Moses says there is a GoTexan meeting tonight and that he met with Unit Road Administrator Donald LeClerc regarding County Road 160. He announces that Sunday the 21st at 2:00 p.m. at the Ainsworth House Friends of the Library will host a Book Tasting for two local authors and that Luling's FFA/4H Stock Show is the 19th-20th. He also says he is resuming Coffee with a Commissioner at Mom's Front Porch in Luling Saturday from 9:00am-10:00a.m.

Commissioner Theriot says he is getting up to speed on the functions of the CAMPO Board and activities. He thanks Ashby Johnson for his assistance. He says that while Caldwell is one of the smallest counties under CAMPO's coverage and struggles to receive federal funds steps are in the works to assist the County's ability to receive funds.

Commissioner Roland reiterates that the stock show and book signing mentioned by Commissioner Moses are good events and says Happy New Year.

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Martin Ritchey addresses a fatal accident that occurred in Dale and recognizes the first responder's hard work. He says that January the 30th and February the 6th free CPR training will be available at the Justice Center free for Caldwell County employees. Anyone else can participate for \$50.00. To sign up for the training email eoc@co.caldwell.tx.us or call him. He says there is ICS (Incident Command System) 300 training February 9th-11th and Skywarn Training March 14th from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. both at the Scott Annex. He also attended the American Meteorological Society Conference and encountered knowledgeable boy and girl scouts from Caldwell County.

Judge Schawe says he would like court members to review the proposed nuisance abatement policy for later discussion. He thanks County Auditor Barbara Gonzales for her work on procurement policies. He has asked County Engineer Jacque Thomas and Unit Road Administrator Donald LeClerc to provide policies and procedures for County Roads. He says Luling has taken over EMS in the southern half of the County and that plans are in progress for DPS officers to be housed at the Slater Building. He thanks Ashby Johnson for his assistance with CAMPO information.

<u>Citizens' Comments.</u> 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).

There are no Citizens' Comments.

CONSENT AGENDA. (The following consent items may be acted upon in one motion).

- 1. Approve payment of County invoices in the amount of \$ 148,371.92.
- 2. Ratify re-occurring County payments in the amount of:
 - A. \$301,072.08 (Payroll)
 - B. \$ 126,430.24 (Texas Department of Motor Vehicle Fees collected from 11/13/17 12/02/17).
- 3. Accept the Final Voting Results for the Election Caldwell County Appraisal District Board of Directors for the term January 01, 2018 December 31, 2019.

Motion made by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Wright to accept consent agenda items 1-3. All voting "Aye."

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ACTION AGENDA ITEMS

4. Discussion/Action regarding the burn ban. Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Schawe/Martin Ritchey; Backup: None.

Martin Ritchey emphasizes the need to use caution when burning, but does not recommend a burn ban at this time. Motion made by Commissioner Roland, second by Commissioner Moses to leave the burn ban off. All voting "Aye".

5. Discussion/Action to approve the nomination of Alton Williams as the Director of the Luling Foundation for a two-year term. Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Schawe/Julie Zimmerman; Backup: 1.

Julie Zimmerman and Gary Dickenson with Luling Foundation explain Alton Williams' nomination based on his history and responsibilities with Luling Foundation. Motion made by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Theriot to nominate Alton Williams on the Board of Directors for the Luling Foundation for a two-year term. All voting "Aye".

6. Discussion/Action to approve Resolution 01-2018 authorizing the filing of a grant application with the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) for a regional solid waste grant. Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Schawe; Backup: 1.

Judge Schawe reads and explains the agenda item and is asking for approval of the Resolution. So moved by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Theriot. All voting "Aye".

7. **Discussion/Action** to reallocate \$225,000 in Surface Transportation Block Group funding and 56,250 in Transportation Development Credits for the Luling Relief Route Alternative Analysis to the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) and execute Resolution 02-2018 accordingly. **Cost: None; Speaker: Judge Schawe; Backup: 1.**

Ashby Johnson with CAMPO explains the request for the resolution and its potential to assist the County's ability to influence how the funds are used in the future. Motion made by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Roland that we accept this. All voting "Aye". The court discusses the date on the Resolution.

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Discussion/Action to support Caldwell County's application for the 8. Extension/Yarrington Road Project in the 2019-2022 Project Call administered by the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) and to certify Concession Funds received from SH-130 to support local match requirements for the project of no less than 21 Resolution percent and execute 03-2018 accordingly. Cost: None; Speaker: Commissioner Theriot; Backup: 1.

Judge Schawe introduces the agenda item and Commissioner Theriot explains the details. Motion made by Commissioner Theriot, second by Commissioner Moses that the County proceed and authorize the execution of Resolution 03-2018. All voting "Aye".

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Sections 552.071 and 552.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, or value of Right of Way along proposed FM 110 in Precinct 3. Possible action may follow in open court. Cost: None; Speaker: Commissioner Theriot; Backup: None.

The Executive Session begins at 9:31 a.m. Court resumes at 10:32 a.m. No action is taken.

10. Adjournment.

Judge Schawe asks for a motion to adjourn. So moved by Commissioner Moses, second by Commissioner Wright. All voting "Aye".

Court adjourns at 10:33 a.m.

I, CAROL HOLCOMB, COUNTY CLERK AND EX OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT. do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Caldwell County Commissioners' Court on January 08, 2018.

> CAROL HOLCOMB, COUNTY CLERK AND EX OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF

CALDWELL COUNTY, TEXAS



