

## MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT

January 9, 2017

Be it remembered that on January 9, 2017 the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: County Judge Kevin Brendle. Commissioners Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1, Mike Smith, Precinct #2, Charlie Morris, Precinct #3, Sheldon Parsons, Precinct #4, Darla Thomason, Treasurer, and Becky Hill, County and District Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. by County Judge, Kevin Brendle. The meeting opened with a prayer by Brian York, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag and the Texas Flag.

Whereupon the following business was transacted and is now placed of record in the minutes of said Court:

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Minutes of the December 12, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved. Minutes of the Special Commissioner Court of December 22, 2016 were reviewed and approved.

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- Sheriff Terry Braly submitted the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 237, 9-1-1 calls, and 140 other calls. There was a total of 8 prisoners held.
- Nancy Stone, J.P. presented the Justice of the Peace report to the Court. Total cases filed for December was 33, and total revenue collected was \$3,899.30.
- Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor Collector Presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$147,318.21, delinquent collected \$1399.11. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$35,166.14, delinquent collected, \$468.96.
- Becky Hill, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$4,498.15 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, Kevin Brendle presiding, 1 criminal case was filed, 2 criminal cases were heard, 2 Probate cases were filed. In the 110<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there was 1 civil case filed, 1 civil case heard, 2 Attorney General cases heard.
- Darla Thomason, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report. Fund Balances as of December 31, 2016 were: General Fund \$-2,358.09, Road and Bridge, \$28,608.20, dedicated fund balance \$68,376.47.
- Thomas Boyle, county extension agent reported that stock show preparations are under way.
- Randy Martin the newly appointed superintendent for Texas Department of Transportation met with court.
- Clint Martin, Wildlife Services presented his report to the court. Fifteen coyotes, nine pigs, as well as other small varmints were destroyed.
- McAdoo Water & Sewer project contract with OJD Engineering was discussed and approved.
- Each commissioner reported on the road conditions in their precincts. All precincts are grading roads, hauling gravel and pulling ditches.
- Invoices presented to court for approval included KBL in the amount of \$49,530.62 and Kamatsu Architecture in the amount of \$432.00 for courthouse repairs.
- Court considered the request from Precinct #3 Charlie Morris and Precinct #4 Sheldon Parsons to exceed the county spending budget for repairs to Loader.
- Surety Bond for Deputy Romiro Rodriguez was presented to the court for approval

- Approval of THC Historic Buildings and Structures Permit #883 to complete rehabilitation of the County Courthouse beyond the Round VIII agreement. Timeline will be extended for completion.
  - Continuing Educations certificates for 2016 were presented to the court for Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor, Nancy Stone, Justice of the Peace and Becky Hill, Dickens County and District Clerk..
- Motion was made by Mike smith and seconded by Sheldon Parsons to approve all the consent agenda items as presented. Vote carried unanimously.

### **DICKENS COUNTY TO ACQUIRE DICKENS COUNTY LIONS CLUB RODEO ARENA**

Motion was made by Mike Smith, and seconded by Charlie Morris to receive the donated property of Dickens County Lions Club Rodeo Arena. Dickens County 4-H will utilize the arean for shooting sports, possibly horse and archery activities. Debbie Gardner informed the court that under the ownership of the county grants could be available to improvements to the property. Liability for shooting sports would fall under the 4-H through A& M as long as there is a qualified instructor present. All other liability would fall under the counties TAC policy. Utilities would remain in the counties name. Motion passes with all voting in agreement.

### **INTERIOR PAINTING FOR COURTHOUSE CONSIDERED**

Motion was made by Charlie Morris and seconded by Dennis Wyatt to accept the bid from Caleb Phipps in the amount of \$5500.00 to finish painting of interior walls of courthouse contingent upon favorable references obtained y Judge Brendle and Commissioner Smith. Vote was unanimous.

### **THC ROUND VIII DISCUSSED**

No action taken.

### **JANNA SMITH RECOGNIZED FOR AOUTSTANDING SERVICE**

Janna Smith, County Extension Office Manager was presented the Texas A & M AgriLife Extension Award for Superior Service.

- ❖ Charlie Morris made the motion to approve and pay all bills with the exclusion of Wyatt Tractor. Dennis Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously..
- ❖ Sheldon Parsons made motion to pay Wyatt Tractor invoice, motion seconded by Mike Smith, motion carried unanimously with Dennis Wyatt abstaining.
- ❖ Motion was made by Mike Smith and seconded by Dennis Wyatt to pay Dickens County Historical Committee invoice as submitted. Motion passed.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Dennis Wyatt, on second by Sheldon Parsons. Motion passed unanimously.

Court adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

STATE OF TEXAS           §  
COUNTY OF DICKENS   §

I, Becky Hill, Dickens County Clerk, attest that the above and foregoing is a true and complete transcription of my notes taken in my capacity as County Clerk of the Commissioners Court of Dickens County, Texas, at the time and place heretofore set forth. DATED at Dickens, Texas, this the 9th day of January, 2017.

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Becky Hill



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