

MINUTES OF COMMISSIONER'S COURT
March 20, 2017

Be it remembered that on March 20, 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 9:05 a.m. by County Judge, Kevin Brendle. The meeting opened with a prayer by P. J. Schmidt, 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 February 13, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved.

- Sheriff Terry Braly submitted the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 229, 9-1-1 calls, and 129 other calls. There was a total of 9 prisoners held.
- Nancy Stone, J.P. presented the Justice of the Peace report to the Court. Total cases filed for January was 33, and total revenue collected was \$5,143.40.
- Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor Collector Presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$50,153.57, delinquent collected \$2,174.53. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$11,972.09, delinquent collected, \$599.11.
- Becky Hill, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$2883.65 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, Kevin Brendle presiding, 7 criminal cases were filed and 1 probate case heard In the 110th Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there was 11 criminal cases filed and 2 Attorney General cases heard.
- Darla Thomason, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report. Fund Balances as of February 29, 2017 were: General Fund \$-46,563.87, Road and Bridge, \$11,637.16, dedicated fund balance \$71,961.87.
- Thomas Boyle, county extension agent, presented his report to the court. Extension office has been busy with stock shows, fashion shows and other activities. The 4-H members are starting to work on the arena in Dickens to begin play days there.
 - Clint Martin, Wildlife Services presented his report to the court. Fifty seven coyotes and 31 swine were destroyed in February. Airplane has been flying. Mr. Martin also stated that swine poison will not be used in his program due to the uncertainty of secondary effects it might have on the environment.
- County commissioner reported on the road conditions in their precincts. All precincts are grading roads, hauling gravel and pulling ditches. Additional gravel pits are needed to continue to supply the counties needs.
 - Harry Bob Martin present the Historical Commission report. The last two school markers have been placed. Historical Markers have been indexed. Cemetery indexing was maintained and updated. Most of the work has been done on the Palace Theater Currently working on restrooms, lobby, doorways, and securing projection equipment. Hopefully the

theater will be operational for homecoming this year. Brummett building in Dickens is in need of repainting. Repairs on the Dickens Springs wagon will be fixed with expanded metal.

- Invoices presented to court for approval included KBL in the amount of \$5,283.90. Lubbock Grader Blades in the amount of \$1,675.80.00, Spur Farmers Coop Gin & Supply in the amount of \$3,080.00 for Precinct 3 tires, Double X Rangeworks in the amount of \$2500.00.

Motion was made by Mike Smith and seconded by Charlie Morris to approve all the consent agenda items as presented. Vote carried unanimously.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ITEMS DISCUSSED

Wes Abbott, Emergency Management Coordinator for Dickens County met with the court to discuss radio towers and maintenance, burn ban, emergency preparedness and supplies, mobile response resources available, Debbie Daughtry and P. J. Schmidt recruited to aid Wes Abbott as first responder assistants, and the need for new communication computer system for Marvin West.

No action item.

IN TRUST PROPERTY WITH RESIDENCES POLICY CONSIDERED

No action taken

BURN BAN APPROVED

Motion was made by Charlie Morris and seconded by Mike Smith to initiate the County burn ban due to recent wildfires in other counties. Vote was unanimous.

Court adjourned for lunch at 12:05 PM

Court reconvened at 1:05 PM

ROUND VIII TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION GRANT DISCUSSED

No action Taken

UNFUNDED COURTHOUSE RENOVATIONS APPROVED

Motion was made by Mike Smith and seconded by Charlie Morris to approve miscellaneous proposals not funded through THC grant. Motion carried unanimously.

INSURANCE AND ELECTRICITY FOR 4-H PAVILLION

On a motion by Dennis Wyatt and second by Sheldon Parsons the court voted unanimously to add the 4-H pavilion to the counties insurance and pay electric bills at this time.

No line item transfers

No budget amendments

- ❖ Charlie Morris made the motion to approve and pay all bills with the exclusion of Dickens County Historical Commission. Sheldon Parsons seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- ❖ 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 Sheldon Parsons. On second by Charlie Morris, motion passed unanimously.

Court adjourned at 2:55 p.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 20th day of March, 2017.



Becky Hill

