

AUGUST 10, 2015

Be it remembered that on August 10, 2015, the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: Commissioners Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1, Mike Smith, Precinct #2, Charlie Morris, Precinct #3, Sheldon Parsons, Precinct #4, Sandy Vickrey, 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 Wes Abbott, 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 July 13th, July 17th, July 29th and August 9, 2015 meetings were reviewed.
- Terry Braly, County Sheriff submitted the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 286 9-1-1 calls, and 297 other calls. There were 14 prisoners held a total of 196 days with an average stay of 14.1 days per inmate.
- Kathy Hughes, submitted the Justice of the Peace report to the Court. Total cases filed for June, 2015 was 39, and total revenue collected was \$6,417.36.
- Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$6393.54 delinquent, \$1495.16. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$2023.77, delinquent, \$612.00.
- Wes Abbott, Emergency Management Coordinator submitted a report regarding the audit and submitted a suggestion regarding needed employee fire gear. Also discussed a need for equipment storage.
- Wildlife Service Report - Rick Gilliland and James Timmons with Wildlife services met with the court to discuss the resignation of Aaron Adamson, Wildlife Agent for Dickens County and the continuation of the program with Dickens County.
- County Extension Office – No report
- Becky Hill, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$5840.01 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, County Judge Kevin Brendle, presiding, there were 4 criminal cases filed: 2 Possession of Marijuana and 2 Terroristic Threats. Eight criminal cases were heard: 2 Driving While License Invalid, dismissed, 1 Evading Arrest, 75 days jail, 1 Resisting Arrest, 75 days jail; 2 Assaults, 75 days jail; 1 possession of drug paraphernalia, dismissed; 1 possession of Marijuana, 10 days County jail. There were no Applications for Probate filed. No probate hearing held. In the 110th Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there were no criminal cases filed and 1 criminal case was heard, conviction. 5 civil cases were filed: 1 Petition in Suit Affecting Parent/Child Relationship. 1 CPS, 2 Divorces, 1 Suit on Debt. One civil case was heard: 1 Divorce, Final Decree.
- Sandy Vickrey, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report. Fund Balances as of July 31, 2015 were: General Fund \$-13,537.71, Road and Bridge, \$23,377.93.
- Department of Transportation – no report
- The commissioners gave a report on road conditions in their respective precincts and discussed readiness for FEMA resources.
- County Treasurer authorized to pay Chastain's Hardware for batteries purchased for the Annex alarm system out of the Courthouse Security Funds.
- Merla Watson presented the annual report for Dickens/Spur Library. The library has numerous programs that are beneficial to the public, such as e-books, public computers,

etc. The library is requesting additional funding to meet operating expenses for the coming year.

OPTIONAL DMV FEES DISCUSSED

The commissioners court discussed the implementation of optional additional fees to the \$10.00 Department of Motor Vehicle registration. It was decided not to make any changes.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED

On a motion by Charlie Morris, and a second by Mike Smith, the Court voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

FUEL BIDS TAKEN

Sealed bids were opened for gas and diesel. Sheldon Parsons made a motion to accept all bids for unleaded gas, off road and on road diesel and to reject bids for propane, Charlie Morris seconded with an amendment for confidential order from Judge. Mike Smith seconded the motion with amendment. Vote passed 3-2 with Mike Smith and Dennis Wyatt opposed. Motion to approve bids for gas and diesel passed 3-2 with MikeSmith and Dennis Wyatt opposed. Propane bids will be reviewed at a later date.

PERSONNEL POLICY

Updates to personnel policy were reviewed regarding vacation and smoking in county vehicles. Mike Smith made the motion to approve the updates as presented. Charlie Morris seconded, motion passed unanimously.

RESTORATION CONTRACT APPROVED

Construction Contract with KBL for Courthouse stabilization, was approved by motion from Charlie Morris and second by Judge Brendle. Vote was 3-2 with Mike Smith and Dennis Wyatt against

ROUND VIII COURTHOUSE RESTORATION

Round VIII Courthouse Restoration Grant, tentatively set for discussion on August 20, 2015

Court break 12:10 pm
Resumed at 1:00 pm

Budget Workshop held

LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Motion was made by Mike Smith with second from Dennis Wyatt to approve line item transfers. Motion passed unanimously.

BILLS APPROVED AND PAID

Sheldon Parsons made the motion to pay the bills as presented, Dennis Wyatt seconded the motion with the exception of Wyatt Tractor Supply. Motion carried unanimously. Charlie Morris made the motion to pay Wyatt Tractor Supply. On a second by Mike Smith, the motion passed, with Dennis Wyatt abstaining

On a motion by Dennis Wyatt, and a second by Sheldon Parsons, the Court voted unanimously to adjourn. Court adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF DICKENS §

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 10th day of AUGUST, 2015.



BECKY HILL, Dickens County Clerk