

## SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

Be it remembered that on September 14, 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 Rory Mosely, 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:

<b>CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS</b>
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- Minutes of the August 20, 2015 meeting were reviewed.
- Terry Braly, County Sheriff submitted the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 287 9-1-1 calls, and 289 other calls. There were 10 prisoners held a total of 336 days with an average stay of 34 days per inmate.
- Nancy Stone, submitted the Justice of the Peace report to the Court. Total cases filed for August, 2015 was 24, and total revenue collected was \$3,153.80.
- Rebecca Haney, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$5730.67 delinquent, \$891.92. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$1814.49, delinquent, \$390.01.
- Emergency Management Coordinator, Wes Abbott was unable to attend. Judge Brendle informed the court that he met with Wes Abbott and that Mr. Abbott had successfully procured \$72,414.00 from FEMA to help defray some of the costs from rain damaged areas earlier in the year. Money will help pay for new culverts, gravel and road work.
- Wildlife Service Report was presented to the court in writing by Texas Wildlife Services Program
- Chase Witt, Dickens County Extension Agent presented his report. Agent Witt stated that he had numerous ongoing projects at the present time, including recruitment of new 4-H members.
- Becky Hill, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$4643.80 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, County Judge Kevin Brendle, presiding, there were 4 probate cases filed. 1 probate hearing held. In the 110<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there were 7 criminal cases filed and 2 criminal case was heard, 1 dismissal and 1 conviction. 2 civil cases were filed: 1 Suit on Debt. 1 Divorce, no civil cases were heard.
- Sandy Vickrey, County Treasurer presented the treasurer's report. Fund Balances as of August, 2015 were: General Fund \$-27,315.96, Road and Bridge, \$19,991.03, dedicated fund balance 53,457.35.
- Department of Transportation – no report
- The commissioners gave a report on road conditions in their respective precincts. Road conditions dry. Finishing up on repairs to roads declared disaster.
- Dickens County holiday scheduled reviewed and set.

On a motion by Sheldon Parsons and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Wyatt the following agenda items were approved unanimously.

- Resolutions adopted authorizing grants for home-delivered meals for North and South Dickens County Senior Citizens through Texas Department of Agriculture.

- Sheriff fees set for 2016 as required by Texas LGC Section 118.131. No changes to fees.
- County Treasurer authorized to pay invoice from Wes-Tex Graphics \$450.36 out of the County Clerk's Record Management Fund.
- County Treasurer authorized to pay invoice for maintainer tires that exceeded the County spending policy.
- Komatsu Architecture invoice for \$1,762.86 approved on Round VIII of Courthouse Emergency Stabilization.

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CAPROCK PUBLIC DEFENDERS  
OFFICE APPROVED**

Motion was made by Mike Smith with a second by Dennis Wyatt to approve the renewal of Interlocal Agreement with Texas Tech University. Motion passed unanimously.

**HELEN FARABEE CENTER AGREEMENT**

The court discussed the Bridge Agreement with Helen Farabee Center for MHMR services. No action taken at this time.

**CONTRACT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH  
SERVICES APPROVED**

On a motion by Charlie Morris, and a second by Mike Smith, the Court voted unanimously to approve the contract with Texas Department of State Health Services for online birth certificates. Motion passed unanimously.

**STATE OF TEXAS PURCHASING PROGRAM APPROVED**

Sheldon Parsons made the motion to approve the Purchasing Program (Co-op) annual membership participation fees. Mike Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**TAX RATE ADOPTED**

Combined tax rate of 0.72019 was adopted with a motion by Charlie Morris and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennis Wyatt. Motion passed 4-1 with Mike Smith voting against.

**ROUND VIII AND IX GRANTS DISCUSSED**

The court discussed the Round VIII and IX Grants for the courthouse renovation. No action was taken. Judge Brendle will meet with architects and Texas Historical Commission to determine if there is a more cost efficient way to proceed.

**LINE ITEM TRANSFERS APPROVED**

On motion by Sheldon Parsons and a second by Mike Smith the court voted unanimously to approve the line item transfers presented by Sandy Vickrey.

**BUDGET AMENDMENTS APPROVED**

Charlie Morris made the motion to approve the budget amendments as presented by Sandy Vickrey. Dennis Wyatt seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously

Motion was made by Dennis Wyatt and seconded by Sheldon Parsons to pay bills excluding Wyatt Tractor Service. Motion passed.

Motion was made by Charlie Morris and seconded by Mike Smith to pay Wyatt Tractor Service. Motion passed with Dennis Wyatt abstaining.

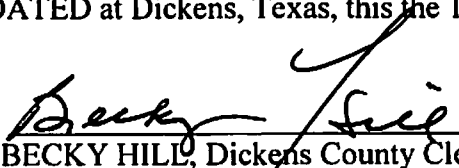
Motion was made by Mike Smith and Seconded by Dennis Wyatt to pay bills from Dickens County Historical Commission. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to Adjourn was made by Sheldon Parsons and seconded by Charlie Morris. Motion passed.

Court adjourned at 1:20 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 14th day of SEPTEMBER, 2015.

  
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BECKY HILL, Dickens County Clerk