

DECEMBER 8, 2014

Be it remembered that on December 8, 2014 the Honorable Commissioners Court met in Regular Session with these members present, to-wit: Commissioners Dennis Wyatt, Precinct #1, Ricky West, Precinct #2, Charlie Morris, Precinct #3, Sheldon Parsons, Precinct #4, and Winona Humphreys, County and District Clerk. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by County Judge Lesa Arnold. The meeting opened with a prayer by Commissioner Precinct #3 Charlie Morris, 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 November 10, November 14, December 1, 2014 meetings were reviewed.
- Terry Braly, County Sheriff submitted the Sheriff's Department report. There were a total of 263 9-1-1 calls, and 328 other calls. There were 14 prisoners held a total of 134 days with an average stay of 19.57 days per inmate.
- Kathy Hughes, Justice of the Peace submitted her report to the Court. Total cases filed for November 2014 was 72, and total revenue collected was \$9,742.36.
- Sherry Hill, Tax Assessor Collector presented the Tax Office report. Tax Collections for Dickens County were: current, \$598,290.51 delinquent, \$838.03. Tax Collections for Road and Bridge were: current, \$189,441.31, delinquent, \$369.10.
- Emergency Management Coordinator – report submitted by Wes Abbott
- Wildlife Service Report - No report submitted
- County Extension Office – Chase Witt presented report
- Winona Humphreys, County and District Clerk, presented the Clerk's office report. Total revenue in the amount of \$4,822.50 for fines, fees and court costs was collected. In County Court, County Judge Lesa Arnold, presiding, there were 0 criminal cases filed, and 0 cases heard. Four applications for Probate were filed, and 1 Probate hearing was held. In the 110th Judicial District Court, Judge William P. Smith, presiding, there were 0 criminal cases filed. Two criminal cases were heard: 1 Burglary of a Habitation, 8 years probation, and 1 Revocation of Probation, Burglary of a Building, Probation terms modified. Three civil cases were filed – 1 Suit for Divorce, and 2 Suits Affecting Parent/Child Relationship.
- Sandy Vickrey, County Treasurer submitted the treasurer's report. Fund Balances as of November 30, 2014 were: General Fund \$94,278.21, Road and Bridge, \$6,881.41.
- L.G. Little, with Texas Department of Transportation met with the Court.
- Approve bonds for elected officials for terms beginning January, 2015 – County Judge Elect, Kevin Brendle, County Treasurer, Sandy Vickrey, County and District Clerk, Winona Humphreys, and Justice of the Peace, Kathy Hughes.
- County Judge to approve bonds for Commissioners elect – Mike Smith, Precinct #2 and Sheldon Parsons, Precinct #4
- Approve bond renewal for Ramiro Rodriquez, Chief Deputy

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS APPROVED

On a motion by Dennis Wyatt, and a second by Ricky West, the Court voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.

The Court discussed the swearing-in ceremony for newly elected officials. It was decided to hold the ceremony at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, January 2, 2015.

BURN BAN ORDER APPROVED

Ricky West made the motion to approve the order restricting outdoor burning for 90 days beginning on this the 8th day of December, 2014. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACT APPROVED

The Court reviewed electrical contracts from submitted proposals. Charlie Morris made the motion to take the appropriate action to join P3 Public Power Poll as an option to purchase electrical power. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.

COURTHOUSE ROUND VIII GRANT

- Ricky West made the motion to authorize the County Judge to submit a letter to the Texas Historical Commission requesting supplemental funding for the Round VIII Emergency Grant and for the additional scope to include a Second Floor Jury Room Toilet Room. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion was unanimous.
- Charlie Morris made the motion to authorize the County Judge to provide a letter to each proposer requesting that the period for maintaining proposals in effect be extended from 60 to 90 days. On a second by Dennis Wyatt, the motion was unanimous.

UPDATE ON ANNEX AND APPROVE PAYMENT TO COLLIER CONSTRUCTION

- An update on the construction of the Courthouse Annex was discussed. Collier Construction submitted payment application No. 9 for \$288,158.00 to the Court. Dennis Wyatt made the motion to approve the payment. On a second by Charlie Morris, the motion was unanimous.
- The Court discussed the minutes from the Owner/Architect meeting.

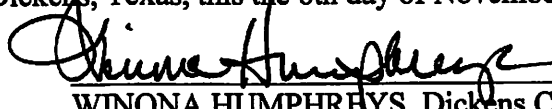
BILLS APPROVED AND PAID

On a motion by Sheldon Parsons, and a second by Ricky West, the Court voted unanimously to pay the bills as presented, with the exception of the Wyatt Tractor Service bill. Ricky West made the motion to pay the Wyatt Tractor Service bill. On a second by Sheldon Parsons, the motion passed by a vote of 4, with Dennis Wyatt abstaining.

The Court recessed at 11:00 a.m. to tour the Annex. Judge Arnold declared the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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 8th day of November, 2014.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Winona Humphreys", written over a horizontal line.

WINONA HUMPHREYS, Dickens County Clerk