

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
MARCH 16, 2010**

**STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ROCKWALL**

**BE IT REMEMBERED THERE WAS HELD A WORKSHOP MEETING
OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT ON THE ABOVE DATE WITH THE FOLLOWING
MEMBERS OF THE COURT PRESENT:**

CHRIS FLORANCE	COUNTY JUDGE
JERRY WIMPEE	COMMISSIONER PCT #1
LORIE GRINNAN	COMMISSIONER PCT #2
DENNIS BAILEY	COMMISSIONER PCT #3
DAVID MAGNESS	COMMISSIONER PCT #4
LEA CARLSON	CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

JUDGE FLORANCE CALLED THE WORKSHOP MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M.

**DISCUSSION OF LETTER OF AGREEMENT FROM THE CITY OF ROCKWALL
CONCERNING A FARMERS MARKET ON COUNTY PROPERTY, AND ALL
RELATED ISSUES;**

COUNTY AUDITOR LISA CONSTANT GAVE THE COURT AN OVERVIEW OF A LETTER FROM THE CITY OF ROCKWALL CONCERNING HOLDING A FARMER'S MARKET AT THE HISTORICAL COURTHOUSE. MS. CONSTANT STATED THAT MAY 8TH IS THE DAY THAT THE CITY WANTED TO START THE SATURDAY MORNING FARMERS MARKET BUT THAT CONGRESSMAN HALL'S OFFICE HAS ALREADY BOOKED THE COURTHOUSE ON THAT DAY FOR TWO HOURS. THE CITY WANTED TO CONTACT CONGRESSMAN HALL'S OFFICE TO GAIN PERMISSION TO HOLD BOTH EVENTS SIMULTANEOUSLY.

DISCUSSION OF LETTER OF AGREEMENT FROM THE CITY OF ROCKWALL CONCERNING HOLDING 205 SH ROAD OPENING CELEBRATION ON COUNTY PROPERTY, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COUNTY AUDITOR LISA CONSTANT DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT A LETTER OF AGREEMENT FROM THE CITY OF ROCKWALL CONCERNING HOLDING A 205 SH ROAD OPENING CELEBRATION AT THE HISTORICAL COURTHOUSE ON MARCH 27TH FROM 9:00 A.M. THRU 3:00 P.M.

DISCUSSION OF COUNTY FINANCIAL POLICIES, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COUNTY TREASURER BILL SINCLAIR PRESENTED TO THE COURT FOR THEIR REVIEW A DRAFT FINANCIAL RESERVE POLICY. THE COURT DISCUSSED ASSIGNING TWO COMMISSIONERS TO MR. SINCLAIR AND MS. CONSTANT TO DISCUSS FUTURE FINANCIAL POLICIES AS THEY ARE BEING DRAFTED. MR. SINCLAIR ALSO GAVE THE COURT AN OVERVIEW OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKWALL STRATEGIC PLANNING REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09 AND PLAN YEAR 2009.

DISCUSSION OF HIGHTOWER LANE AND BURKETT LANE, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COMMISSIONER MAGNESS LED THE DISCUSSION CONCERNING HIGHTOWER LANE AND BURKETT LANE. MR. MAGNESS DISTRIBUTED TO THE COURT FOR THEIR REVIEW TRANSPORTATION CODE TITLE 6, SUBTITLE C, CHAPTER 253 PERTAINING TO COUNTY IMPROVEMENT OF SUBDIVISION ROADS. THIS ITEM WILL BE PLACED ON THE NEXT COMMISSIONERS COURT WORKSHOP AGENDA.

DISCUSSION OF RENOVATIONS TO THE COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED FURTHER RENOVATIONS TO THE COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING FOR STORAGE.

DISCUSSION OF THE 2010 CENSUS, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

NO DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 2010 CENSUS.

DISCUSSION OF COUNTY SPACE ISSUES, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

NO DISCUSSION REGARDING COUNTY SPACE ISSUES.

DISCUSSION OF ROADS AND ROAD BOND ISSUES, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

FIRST SOUTHWEST FINANCIAL INC. REPRESENTATIVE BOYD LONDON AND MARTI SHEW DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT CURRENT INTEREST RATES AND POSSIBLE REFUNDING OPPORTUNITIES ON COUNTY TAX BONDS ALONG WITH FUTURE ROAD BOND ISSUANCE.

DISCUSSION OF ROCKWALL COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED POSSIBLE CONSTRUCTION COST ESTIMATES FOR THE ROCKWALL COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL.

DISCUSSION OF NEW COURTHOUSE/ ARCHITECTURAL/ CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT/ CHANGE ORDERS, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED WHETHER OR NOT THERE IS A NEED TO RETAIN A PROFESSIONAL OWNERS REPRESENTATIVE TO OVERSEE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW COURTHOUSE.

*JUDGE FLORANCE RECESSED THE MEETING AT 10:35 A.M. FOR A FIVE MINUTE BREAK.

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AUSTIN LEWIS AND MATHEW KING DESCRIBED TO THE COURT THE ROLE OF A PROFESSIONAL OWNERS REPRESENTATIVE AND THE RESPONSIBILITIES THEY WOULD TAKE ON IF CHOSEN TO BE THE PROFESSIONAL OWNERS REPRESENTATIVES TO OVERSEE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW COURTHOUSE.

DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL PURCHASES FUND 2005, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COUNTY TREASURER BILL SINCLAIR EXPLAINED TO THE COURT HOW THIS PARTICULAR CAPITAL PURCHASE FUND CAME TO HAVE A SHORTFALL OF AVAILABLE FUNDS VERSUS THE BUDGET OF \$225,000. A SERIES OF ADJUSTING JOURNAL ENTRIES DURING FISCAL YEARS 2005 AND 2006 WERE NOT PROPERLY REVERSED CAUSING THE FUND TO HAVE AN OVERSTATED BALANCE BY APPROXIMATELY \$104,000. THE FY2010 BUDGET WAS BASED UPON THE INCORRECT FUND BALANCE FOLLOWED BY CORRECTING JOURNAL ENTRIES RELATING TO THE RESOLUTION OF BANK RECONCILIATION PROBLEMS WERE MADE IN DECEMBER 2009 AS PART OF CLOSEOUT OF FY2009, THUS CAUSING THE AVAILABLE FUNDS TO BE LESS THAN WHAT IS BUDGETED. UPON DISCOVERY OF THIS CONDITION, THE TREASURER NOTIFIED THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE AND STEPS WERE TAKEN TO REALLOCATE THE BUDGETED ITEMS TO OTHER FUND SOURCES. APPROXIMATELY \$49,000

WILL BE REQUIRED FOR A BUDGET TRANSFER FROM THE CONTINGENCY LINE
ITEM TO COMPLETE THE PLANNED AND APPROVED PURCHASES.

*JUDGE FLORANCE ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:28 A.M.

LEA CARLSON, CHIEF DEPUTY
ROCKWALL COUNTY CLERK