

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
AUGUST 30, 2011**

**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:**

JERRY HOGAN	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 HOGAN CALLED THE WORKSHOP MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00 A.M.

**DISCUSSION OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DRIVER'S
LICENSE SERVICES FOR ROCKWALL COUNTY, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;**

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY REPRESENTATIVES STEPHEN BELL AND SALESTUS WINKLEY DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT THE CUSTOMER SERVICES PROBLEMS HAPPENING AT THE LOCAL FIELD OFFICE IN ROCKWALL DUE TO THE INCREASE IN CUSTOMER TRAFFIC. MR. BELL STATED THAT THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IS EXPECTING A 25% INCREASE IN EMPLOYEES STATE WIDE AND THAT BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF CUSTOMERS UTILIZING THE ROCKWALL OFFICE THEY WOULD RECEIVE A TOTAL OF EIGHT EMPLOYEES. THIS INCREASE IN PERSONNEL WOULD REQUIRE MORE SPACE THAN IS CURRENTLY PROVIDED AT THE OFFICE IN THE BROOKSHIRES SHOPPING CENTER. THE COURT DISCUSSED WITH MR. BELL AND MR. WINKLEY THE ESTIMATED SQUARE FOOTAGE REQUIREMENTS THAT

WOULD BE NEEDED TO ACCOMMODATE THE INCREASE IN PERSONNEL AND THE VARIOUS OTHER LOCATIONS THAT THE COUNTY MIGHT USE TO HOUSE THE DRIVERS LICENSE OFFICE.

DISCUSSION OF GOING OUT TO BID FOR DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT CENTER MODIFICATIONS TO ACCOMMODATE COUNTY OFFICES, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED THE FUTURE LOCATION OF THE LOCAL FIELD OFFICE OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY WHICH WILL AFFECT THE BID FOR DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE GOVERNEMENT CENTER MODIFICATIONS. THE COURT DISCUSSED ALTERNATIVES TO THE GOVERNMENT CENTER FOR THE LOCATION OF THE DPS OFFICE INCLUDING THE RAMIFICATIONS OF DISCONTINUING TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR THE DPS OFFICE ALTOGETHER.

DISCUSSION OF COUNTY POLICY ON THE RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE USE OF COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED A PROPOSED ORDER ADOPTING FACILITY USE RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS IN ROCKWALL COUNTY PROVIDED BY ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY JONATHAN THATCHER.

DISCUSSION OF HIRING OF SECURITY POSITIONS FOR THE NEW COURTHOUSE PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 2011, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

CAPTAIN BOB GUZIK DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT THE NEED TO HIRE THE SECURITY POSITIONS FOR THE NEW COURTHOUSE PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1, 2011 TO ALLOW TIME FOR THE TRAINING OF THE NEW PERSONNEL.

DISCUSSION OF A SMOKING ORDINANCE FOR THE NEW COURTHOUSE, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED THE VARIOUS OPTIONS FOR A SMOKING ORDINANCE FOR THE NEW COURTHOUSE AND ALL COUNTY BUILDINGS.

*JUDGE HOGAN RECESSED THE MEETING AT 10:40 A.M. FOR A TEN MINUTE BREAK.

*JUDGE HOGAN RECALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 10:50 A.M.

DISCUSSION OF PLACING DEFIBRILLATOR(S) IN THE NEW COURTHOUSE, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR JOE DELANE DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT A QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,098.88 FOR FOUR AUTOMATIC ELECTRIC DEFIBRILLATORS (AED) TO BE PLACED IN THE NEW COURTHOUSE. MR. DELANE RECOMMENDS THAT AT LEAST ONE DEFIBRILLATOR BE ON EACH FLOOR OF THE NEW COURTHOUSE.

DISCUSSION OF NAMING THE JURY SELECTION ROOM IN THE NEW COURTHOUSE, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COMMISSIONER BAILEY DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT SELECTING THE NAME "LIBERTY HALL" FOR THE JURY SELECTION ROOM IN THE NEW COURTHOUSE. COMMISSIONER BAILEY WANTED TO MAKE SURE THERE WAS NO FURTHER

DEBATE ON THE SELECTED NAME BEFORE THE ORDER FOR SIGNAGE WAS SUBMITTED.

DISCUSSION OF SECURED PARKING AT THE NEW COURTHOUSE, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COMMISSIONER BAILEY INFORMED THE COURT THAT THOSE WHO WILL HAVE A PARKING SPACE WITHIN THE SECURED PARKING GATE AT THE NEW COURTHOUSE CAN HAVE THEIR CURRENT TOLL TAG PROGRAMED TO AUTOMATICALLY OPEN THE GATE. THE COURT DISCUSSED WHICH ELECTED OFFICIALS SHOULD HAVE A SPACE IN THE SECURED PARKING AREA AT THE NEW COURTHOUSE.

DISCUSSION OF IRRIGATION MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR THE NEW COURTHOUSE AND VETERAN'S MEMORIAL, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

COMMISSIONER BAILEY DISCUSSED WITH THE COURT AN ANNUAL IRRIGATION MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL FROM TURTLECREEK LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE MONTHLY IRRIGATION SYSTEM CHECKS TO ENSURE PROPER FUNCTION OF THE IRRIGATION SYSTEMS INSTALLED AT THE NEW COURTHOUSE AND VETERANS MEMORIAL.

DISCUSSION OF CURRENT DRAFT BUDGET FOR FY2012, AND ALL RELATED ISSUES;

THE COURT DISCUSSED THE CURRENT DRAFT BUDGET FOR FY2012. COUNTY AUDITOR LISA CONSTANT PROVIDED THE COURT WITH A SPREADSHEET DETAILING ITEMS LEFT TO BE DISCUSSED AND EITHER INCLUDED OR OMITTED IN THE NEXT DRAFT BUDGET.

ANNOUNCEMENTS;

JUDGE HOGAN ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEXT COUNTY JUDGE TOWN HALL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2011 AT THE HEATH CITY HALL AND THAT THE COURT WILL BE VOTING ON THE TAX RATE AND BUDGET AT THE REGULAR COMMISSIONER'S COURT MEETING TO BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 13, 2011.

JUDGE HOGAN ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 11:42 A.M.

SHELLI MILLER
ROCKWALL COUNTY CLERK