

**COMMISSIONERS COURT  
MAY 14, 2013**

**STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ROCKWALL**

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

<b>JERRY HOGAN</b>	<b>COUNTY JUDGE</b>
<b>CLIFF SEVIER</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER PCT #1</b>
<b>LORIE GRINNAN</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER PCT #2</b>
<b>DENNIS BAILEY</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER PCT #3 - ABSENT</b>
<b>DAVID MAGNESS</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER PCT #4</b>
<b>SHELLI MILLER</b>	<b>COUNTY CLERK</b>

- A. The meeting was called to order by Judge Hogan at 9:00 a.m.
- B. The invocation was given by Commissioner Magness.
- C. The Pledges of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Texas Flag were led by Commissioner Grinnan.
- D. Recognitions/Presentations; There were no guests that wished to address the Court.

**AGENDA**

- 1. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of authorizing the Auditor to request a proposal from Carl R. Griffith Associates, Inc. for consultation services in regards to a potential Jail expansion, a potential Consolidated Dispatch Center and a potential facility for Adult Probation and Juvenile Services with the detailed information on the size, type and technology equipment with the intent to plan for the County's build out needs.
- 2. Judge Hogan gave a brief background of the Rockwall County Public Safety and Fire Assistance District and stated that the City of Fate had requested the Court to relieve them from paying sales tax for the Public Safety and Fire District

because it limits them from establishing an Economic Development Corporation. Commissioner Magness went on to explain how this was seen as an unfair tax by the City of Fate and cited the burdens that paying the tax places on them and the benefits the City, and in turn the County, would realize if they were to be relieved of this responsibility. The motion was made by Commissioner Magness to exclude the City of Fate from the Rockwall County Public Safety and Fire Assistance District and base that district on the city limit boundaries as they were in September of 2005 and in addition to that the Court approve the annexation offered by the City of Fate of Prince Lane, Ben Payne Road, Riding Club Road and annex the previously agreed upon Blackland and Greenbriar Roads. The motion died for lack of a second. Election Administrator Glenda Denton will research the process to have an election to ask for the will of the voters and advise the Court.

3. Sheriff Eavenson presented the Court with the response from Rockwall Independent School District (RISD) turning down the Courts offer to supply an officer for school security but not pay for the salary or vehicle. The Sheriff advised that their response was due to the fact the other agencies in the program had committed to supplying the needed vehicles. This was a discussion item only. No action taken.
4. Judge Hogan moved this item regarding the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to later in the meeting to allow the speaker time to arrive.
5. Judge Hogan led the discussion on various County offices that will need to be relocated sometime in the future and stated the possibility of using the County Services Building for some of these needs. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Judge Hogan with the Court voting 3-1 in favor of approving the concept of moving the County records stored at the County Services Building as presented. Commissioner Magness voted against. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Judge Hogan to approve the concept of moving the Tax Assessor, DPS Troopers, DPS License

and the Election office as outlined at a cost not to exceed \$350,000 using the remainder of the bond money from the County Services Building of \$297,000 and the remainder to come from contingency. The motion failed with the Court voting 2-2. Judge Hogan and Commissioner Grinnan voted for and Commissioner Magness and Commissioner Sevier voted against.

4. Re-Addressed - County Extension Agent Todd Williams gave the court a presentation on Earth-Kind, a research-based, cutting-edge approach to environmental landscape management developed by horticultural experts with Texas A&M Extension. Mr. Williams cited the goals, objectives and anticipated results of the program. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier to authorize the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Rockwall County to conduct an Earth-Kind Research-Result Demonstration trial to include both the annuals and the dwarf/compact roses and other plantings in a designated area between the Rockwall County Library and Rockwall County Courthouse to work within the Texas A&M system to move the project forward. Dr. George explained to the Court how the research would be published in scientific journals and the nationwide visitors that would visit the Courthouse. The Court discussed the possibilities for funding. The motion failed with a 2-2 vote. Commissioner Grinnan and Commissioner Magness voted for and Judge Hogan and Commissioner Sevier voted against.
  
6. Human Resource Director Randy Jennings gave the Court a recap of the Benefit Committee's Compensation Project Team recommendations. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Magness with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of revising the Performance Salary Plan effective October 1, 2013, to increase Step 1 by 5% and make each incremental step a 3% increase per the Civilian matrix and the Law Enforcement matrix recommended by the Compensation Project Team. The motion was made by Commissioner Magness, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of revising the Longevity Policy, B.16 as recommended by the Compensation Project Team effective October 1, 2013. The motion was made

by Commissioner Magness, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of authorizing Human Resources to seek the services of a consulting company to assist with putting in place job descriptions and a performance management system not to exceed \$10,000 to be funded from Professional Fees.

7. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Judge Hogan with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving the request to grant permission to conduct a 50' bore under Blackland Road, corner of Marlin Drive in Rockwall County. First Assistant District Attorney Craig Stoddart encouraged the Court to use an existing crossing agreement drafted by Assistant District Attorney Jon Thatcher when granting permission.
8. This item regarding proposals received to perform architect services at the County Services Building was postponed.
9. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving an Interlocal Agreement with Denton County allowing them to donate twenty large ballot cans to Rockwall County for election purposes.
10. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving a notification letter of non-renewal of the Information Technology Agreement to Government Records Services, Inc., (ACS), effective August 25, 2013.
11. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving the Request for Proposal for a building wide paging system for the County Courthouse and authorizing the Auditor to advertise by legal notice.
12. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving a Statement of Work for

services to be provided by Dell Marketing LP (Dell) for VMware implementation at a cost of \$11,525.00.

13. The motion was made by Commissioner Sevier, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan with the Court voting 3-1 in favor of approving a proposal from Redlee/SCS Group for the labor, materials, equipment and insurance for the parking lot re-striping at the County Courthouse at a cost of \$1,880.00. Commissioner Magness voted against.
14. The motion was made by Commissioner Magness, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving a maintenance agreement with ManagePlus Solutions, LLC for the software used by the County Jail maintenance staff at a cost of \$598.00 with the effective dates of May 22, 2013 through May 22, 2014.
15. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Magness with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of adopting a special budget of grant money in the amount of \$6,903.00 from the FY2012 State Homeland Security Program pursuant to Section 111.0106 of the Texas Local Government Code.
16. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving a letter of agreement with the City of Rockwall allowing them to use the County's outside electrical outlets for Farmers Market vendors for a fee of \$240.00.
17. The motion was made by Commissioner Sevier, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving a proposal from Premier Surveying to survey County property located on T.L. Townsend.
18. Health Coordinator Ron Merritt explained a safety issue involving a dangerous pool located in the County. The motion was made by Judge Hogan, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of immediately taking

steps to place a fence around the pool and haul off debris and follow-up with any formal letter that may be needed; the expense will be funded from contingency.

\*Judge Hogan recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m.

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION 10:45 A.M. – 11:50 A.M.

- a. Executive Session, under Texas Government Code Chapter 551, the County Commissioners may enter into closed session to discuss any items listed or referenced on this agenda under the following exceptions:
- b. Discussion of purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (Texas Gov't Code §551.072), and all related issues;

\*Judge Hogan reconvened the meeting at 11:55

20. No action taken from the Executive Session.

21. The motion was made by Commissioner Sevier, seconded by Commissioner Magness with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving Consent Agenda items A–N. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Magness with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving Consent Agenda item O.

- a) Minutes of previous meeting(s);
- b) Indigent Health, monthly expenditure/case report(s);
- c) Treasurer, monthly report(s);
- d) J.P. Pct. 4, monthly judicial activity report(s);
- e) Librarian, activity monthly report(s);
- f) J.P. Pct. 3, monthly judicial activity report(s);
- g) Environmental Health Coordinator, monthly activity report(s);
- h) J.P. Pct. 2, monthly judicial activity report(s);
- i) J.P. Pct. 1, monthly judicial activity report(s);
- j) District Clerk, monthly fee report (s);
- k) Auditor, Approve payment to CH2M HILL, Inc. for engineering services provided thru March 2013 at SH 276 from SH 205 to FM 549 in the amount of \$43,915.75;
- l) Auditor, Approve payment to Halff Associates, Inc. for engineering services provided thru 3/31/13 at SH 66 from SH 205 to FM 1777 in the amount of \$30,421.46;

- m) Auditor, Approve payment to HNTB Corporation for engineering services provided during March 2013 at FM 552 from SH 205 to SH 66 in the amount of \$9,500.00;
- n) Auditor, Approve payment to Parsons Transportation Group Inc., for engineering services rendered for January thru March 2013 at the FM551/I30 interchange in the amount of \$384,198.74;
- o) Auditor, Approve payment to Dannenbaum Engineering Company for engineering services provided during March 2013 at FM 549 from SH 276 to SH 205 in the amount of \$10,173.94;

22. The motion was made by Commissioner Sevier, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan to approve items A-G if the following Property Acquisitions/Dispositions. The motion failed with a 2-2 vote. Commissioner Magness and Commissioner Sevier voted for and Judge Hogan and Commissioner Grinnan voted against. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 3-1 in favor of approving items A, B, C, D, F and G, excluding item E, of the following Property Acquisitions/Dispositions. Commissioner Magness voted against.

- A. Emergency Management to purchase from CRI Grant: Polyvision mobile interactive whiteboard @ an estimated cost of \$4,750.93.
- B. Emergency Management to purchase from CRI Grant: (4) Panasonic Toughbook laptops @ a quoted cost of \$6,082.76.
- C. Emergency Management to purchase from State Homeland Security Program Grant: 10 X 10 popup canopy @ an estimated cost of \$269.99.
- D. County Sheriff to purchase from County Sheriff General Fund Capital Outlay: replacement vehicle @ an estimated cost of \$32,500.00.
- E. Justice Court Security to purchase from Justice Court Security Fund Capital Outlay: (3) Tasers including cartridges, holsters and shipping @ a quoted cost of \$2,933.24.
- F. Justice of the Peace #2 to purchase from Justice of the Peace Court Technology Fund Capital Outlay: (2) time/date stamp machines @ an estimated cost of \$600.00.
- G. Justice of the Peace #1 to transfer to Justice of the Peace #4: computer, (2) monitors, printer, telephone and printer stand.

23. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving the following Non-Emergency Budget Transfer:

1. 2013-31 – Transfer \$850 of funds within the General Fund budget TO Constable Pct. #1/Uniforms & Accessories FROM General Government/Contingency resulting from the purchase of body armor approved in Commissioners Court on October 9, 2012.
24. The motion was made by Commissioner Grinnan, seconded by Commissioner Magness with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving Paid Claims in the Amount of \$56,974.29. The motion was made by Commissioner Magness, seconded by Commissioner Sevier with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving Unpaid Claims in the amount of \$878,591.02. The motion was made by Commissioner Sevier, seconded by Commissioner Grinnan with the Court voting 4-0 in favor of approving Payroll for the pay period ending April 27, 2013 in the amount of \$532,091.61.
25. There were no announcements made.
26. There being no further business before the Court, Judge Hogan adjourned the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

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SHELLI MILLER  
Rockwall County Clerk