

**COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR SESSION
December 12, 2011**

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day, the Commissioners Court of Kaufman County, Texas met in Regular Session with the following members present to wit: **Bruce Wood**, County Judge; **Jerry Rowden**, Commissioner Precinct No. 1; **Ray Clark**, Commissioner Precinct No. 2; **J.C. Jackson**, Commissioner Precinct No. 3; **Tom Manning**, Commissioner Precinct No. 4; and **Laura Hughes**, County Clerk.

INVOCATION;

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG;

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG;

REMARKS FROM VISITORS;

ITEM 1.

ROUTINE CORRESPONDENCE

There came on to be an update from Jeff Brown, Attorney for Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP on collection of delinquent fines and fees. *See Attachments.*

There came on to be an update from the Texas Department of State Health Services on the NorthSTAR Program. *See Attachment.*

ITEM 2.

CONSENT AGENDA

There came on to be considered a motion to accept Consent Agenda.

- A) Acceptance of minutes for the meeting of November 21, 2011. *See Attachment.*
- B) Acceptance of minutes for the meeting of November 28, 2011. *See Attachment.*
- C) Approval of Deputation of Williams S. Spoon for the Kaufman County Sheriff's Dept. *See Attachment.*
- D) Approval of 2012 Official County Holidays, with the addition of the Wellness Program day off. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner Jerry Rowden.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 3.

MOTION TO APPROVE AWARDING RFP #11-02

There came on to be considered a motion to approve awarding RFP #11-02 for delinquent tax collection services to Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson L.L.P. for a one year contract with a one year renewal and authorizing County Judge to sign contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

MOTION TO WITHDRAW MOTION

There came on to be a motion to withdraw Item 3 Motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

MOTION TO APPROVE AWARDING RFP #11-02

There came on to be considered a motion to approve awarding RFP #11-02 for delinquent tax collection services to Linebarger Goggan Blair and Sampson L.L.P., according to bid specifications and authorizing County Judge to sign contract. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner J.C. Jackson

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote with Commissioner Jerry Rowden and Commissioner Tom Manning voting 'for' and County Judge voting 'against'. Motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 4.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT

There came on to be a presentation of the Kaufman County Children Shelter Director's Report for September, October, and November 2011, presented by LaReta Williams. *See Attachment.*

ITEM 5.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS

There came on to be considered a motion to approve appointing Wayne Gent, James Crouch, James R. "Dick" Neal, Johnny Countryman, Danny Booth, and Richard "Dick" Bramblitt (Ad Hoc) as board members to the Kaufman County Veterans Memorial Park Board, effective January 1, 2012. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner J.C. Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Jerry Rowden.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 6.

MOTION TO APPROVE AUDIT

There came on to be considered a motion to approve auditing of the FY2011 Chapter 59 Asset Forfeiture Report by Law Enforcement Agency of the Kaufman County Sheriff. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jerry Rowden and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 7.

MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDING FUNDS AND AMENDING BUDGET

There came on to be considered a motion to approve expending additional funds (\$5,125) for the repairs of Lower East Fork Laterals Site #7 and amending budget accordingly. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner J.C. Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Ray Clark.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 8.

MOTION TO APPROVE ACCEPTING DONATION

There came on to be considered a motion to approve accepting donation of \$115.00 from Oak Hollow Home Owners Association (HOA) for road repairs to Oak Hollow, in Kaufman County Precinct 4.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner Ray Clark.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 9. MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS

There came on to be considered a motion to approve re-appointing Bill Penner and Dr. Lisa Jones as Commissioners of the Kaufman County Emergency Services District #5, in Kaufman County Precinct 4. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner J.C. Jackson.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 10. MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT

There came on to be considered a motion to accept Auditor's Report for November 2011, presented by Auditor Hal Jones. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner J.C. Jackson and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 11. MOTION TO APPROVE RENOVATIONS TO ARMORY

There came on to be considered a motion to approve completing renovations with voice and data install for the offices and training room designated for occupancy at the Armory. This would not include the area under consideration for development of an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Regional Dispatch Center.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner Ray Clark.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 12. MOTION TO APPROVE SECURING THE ARMORY

There came on to be considered a motion to approve securing the Armory with the ability to monitor activity from the Sheriff's Office, as presented by IT Director George York.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jerry Rowden and seconded by Commissioner J.C. Jackson.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 13. MOTION TO APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR BID

There came on to be considered a motion to approve advertising a bid for an Annual Contract for Office Supplies. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner Jerry Rowden.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 14. MOTION TO APPROVE ADVERTISING FOR BID

There came on to be considered a motion to approve advertising a bid for an Annual Contract for Various Road Materials. Bid to close on Tuesday, December 27, 2011 at 10 a.m. and will open on December 27, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner Jerry Rowden.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 15. MOTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT RENEWAL

There came on to be considered a motion to approve exercising a renewal option with 3D Mechanical Services for an annual contract for HVAC Services. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jerry Rowden and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 16. MOTION TO APPROVE ALLOCATING FEE

There came on to be considered a motion to approve making allocations from the Family Protection Fee. Fund amount, as of December 31, 2011, to be divided equally between the Genesis Center, the Kaufman County Children's Shelter and Lone Star CASA and from then on, distributed annually at the end of each calendar year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ray Clark and seconded by Commissioner Tom Manning.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 17. MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASING AUTHORITY LIMIT

There came on to be considered a motion to approve giving Purchasing Agent authority for any new expenditures not to exceed \$25,000, in any one purchase order, excluding emergencies, with County Judge Bruce Wood approving all emergencies.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner Jerry Rowden.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 18. MOTION TO APPROVE EMPLOYING OUTSIDE COUNSEL

AND ENTERING INTO AGREEMENT

There came on to be considered a motion to approve employing outside counsel, Ted Lyons and Associates, to represent the County in connection with the County's claims relating to Mortgage Electronic Registry Systems, Inc. (MERS) and related entities for outstanding filing fees and damages as allowed by law and authorizing County Judge to enter into a fee agreement with outside counsel. *See Attachment.*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jerry Rowden and seconded by Commissioner Ray Clark.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 19. MOTION TO APPROVE LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS

There came on to be considered a motion to approve line-item transfers, as presented by Auditor Hal Jones.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner Ray Clark.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 20. MOTION TO APPROVE CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT

There came on to be considered a motion to approve claims for payment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner J.C. Jackson.

Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

ITEM 21.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

There came on to be considered a motion to adjourn regular meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tom Manning and seconded by Commissioner J.C. Jackson.

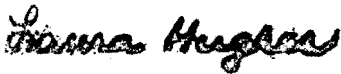
Whereupon said motion was put to a vote and motion carried.

AND IT IS SO ORDERED.

I, Laura Hughes, County Clerk of Kaufman County, Texas, do hereby certify that the above Commissioner Court Minutes are a true and correct record of the proceedings from the Commissioners Court Meeting.

ATTEST:

Laura Hughes, County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners Court of
Kaufman County, Texas



Laura Hughes
County Clerk

