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COMMISSIONER COURT MINUTES
NOVEMBER 14TH, 2017

STATE OF TEXAS

Be it remembered that Commissioner's Court met in a Regular Meeting November 14th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. with Judge Johnson presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

Establish Quorum-Commissioners Pickard, Wilson, Holloway and McEachern were all present.

Invocation- Commissioner Joey Holloway

Pledge of Allegiance- Robert Fitzpatrick

Welcomed Guests-Robert Fitzpatrick, Tracy Cox, Jerry Nickerson.

1. Discuss and consider approval of the minutes for the Commissioner Court on the 24th, of October 2017.
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the Court Minutes from the October 24th, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved with all ayes.

Discuss and consider Monthly Reports:

- A. Payroll-Commissioner Wilson made the motion to approve Payroll. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. Payroll was approved with all ayes.
 - B. Expenditures- Commissioner McEachern made the motion to approve Expenditures. Commissioner Holloway seconded the motion. Expenditures were approved with all ayes.
 - C. Treasurer
 - D. County Clerk- Commissioner Wilson made the motion to approve the County Clerk report. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. The Report was approved with all ayes.
 - E. District Clerk- No Report
 - F. Tax Office
 - G. Sheriff Dept.
 - H. Justice of the Peace- Commissioner McEachern made the motion to approve the Justice of the Peace Report. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The report was approved with all ayes.
 - I. Auditor
2. Public Announcements/Comments-Opportunity for the general public to address the Court on any matter. The Court may not discuss any presented issue, nor may any action be taken on any issue at this time.
There were none.
 3. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Approve travel vouchers.
Commissioner Wilson made the motion to approve a travel voucher for Treasurer Smith. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. The motion was approved with all ayes.
 4. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: San Augustine County Courthouse Flag Poles and Storage Containers at the Fair Grounds.
Former County Agent Jerry Nickerson spoke to the court requesting

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Permission to place a storage unit at the San Augustine County Fairgrounds which the Junior Livestock Committee wished to purchase in order to store supplies.

Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the Junior Livestock Committee placing a storage unit at the fairgrounds. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

Jerry Nickerson also spoke to the Court concerning the Flag Poles that were previously positioned at the Circle of Hwy 21 & Hwy 96 and were removed because of construction on the new red light. There had been discussion about placing the flag poles at the Courthouse but were unable to because of one of the pecan trees that could not be cut down. Since that discussion the pecan tree has started dying and needs to be removed. Mr. Nickerson asked the Court's permission for removal of the tree and to erect the flag poles on the Southwest side of the Courthouse by the Gazebo.

Commissioner Wilson made the motion to remove the pecan tree and to erect the Flag Poles on the Southwest side of the Courthouse by the Gazebo. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes. Approval from the Historical Commission will also be needed to remove the tree and Judge Johnson will be checking on this.

5. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Canvass the November 7, 2017 Election
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to canvass the November 7, 2017 Election. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
6. Discuss and approve Joint Resolution and Statistical Information for Joint Primary.
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the Joint Resolution and Statistical Information for Joint Primary.
Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
7. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Purchase of ePoll Books with Election Service Contract Funds.
Commissioner Wilson made the motion to approve the purchase of ePoll Books with Election Service Contract Funds. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
8. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: San Augustine County Premises Use Policy request.
Tracy Cox from Main Street requested permission from the Court to use the Stripling Pavilion Nov. 30th-Dec. 2 to place the sound System to play Holiday music during the Christmas Jubilee Days event. Commissioner Wilson made the motion to sign the County Premises Use Permit for the event. Commissioner Holloway seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
9. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Auctioneer Express Contract update.
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the Auctioneer Express Contract update pending County Attorney Wesley Hoyt's approval. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. The motion

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was approved with all ayes.

10. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Purchase Rail Road Cars
Commissioner Holloway spoke to the Court concerning some Railroad cars that the County could purchase. Commissioner Pickard made the motion to use funds from Unexpected Revenue to purchase the Railroad Cars and also for the hauling of the Cars. Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
11. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: County Road 491 North. Citizen Wanda Lee.
Judge Johnson told the Court that Mrs. Lee had called and said she thought this issue was being resolved.
12. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Emergency Management Coordinator.
Judge Johnson told the Court that San Augustine County was no longer a part of the Shelby County Emergency Agreement. Each County needed their own plan. It was in agreement that Judge Johnson would get more information and interview people to fulfill the position. Commissioner Holloway made the motion to give Judge Johnson the authority to speak on behalf of the Court in possibly finding someone to fill the position of Emergency Management Coordinator. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
13. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: San Augustine County 4th Quarter Report.
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the 4th Quarter Report. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
14. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: FEMA Updates on 2017 Hurricane Harvey
Judge Johnson told the court that FEMA had approved the paperwork and had been awarded the funds but the funds had not been received yet.
15. Discuss and take appropriate action Re: Approval 2018 County Holidays.
Commissioner Holloway made the motion to approve the 2018 County Holidays. Commissioner Pickard seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.
16. Adjournment
All business complete Commissioner Wilson made the motion to Adjourn. Commissioner McEachern seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

Respectfully Submitted

Margo Noble, County Clerk

Approved in open Court November 28th, 2017

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_____ **Samye Johnson, County Judge**

_____ **Tommy Pickard, Commissioner Pct.#1**

_____ **Edward Wilson, Commissioner Pct.#2**

_____ **Joey Holloway, Commissioner Pct.#3**

_____ **David McEachern, Commissioner Pct.#4**

Attest

**Margo Noble
County Clerk**