

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL SESSION
August 18, 2014

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 18th day of August, 2014 A.D. at 10:04 a.m., the Honorable Commissioners Court of Wichita County, Texas met in a special session at the Courthouse in Wichita Falls, Texas pursuant to adjourning August 11, 2014, with the following members present:

Honorable Woodrow W. Gossom, Jr., County Judge
Commissioner Ray Gonzalez, Precinct No. 1
Commissioner Pat Norriss, Precinct No. 2
Commissioner Barry Mahler, Precinct No. 3
Commissioner Bill Presson, Precinct No. 4

Invocation by Judge Gossom

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge to the Texas Flag

Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve and authorize the following consent agenda items 14.08.380 through 14.08.384 with the removal of item #6 at Commissioner Presson's request:

14.08.380 To approve and ratify the minutes for August 8, 2014 special called session and the minutes from August 11, 2014 regular session, special meeting, and public hearing.

14.08.381 To authorize County Auditor to transfer \$9,293.00 from line 100.409.5001, General Fund, Non-Departmental, Capital Expense Budget, to line 100.428.53032014, General Fund, CDA Drug Enforcement Division, 2014 Chevy Tahoe PPV for the cost of the 2014 lease payment.

14.08.382 To transfer \$250.00 to the County Clerk's Travel, Out of County line, 100.403.4304, from a 403 budget line determined by the County Auditor.

14.08.383 To authorize County Judge to sign the FY 2015 grant contract for Wichita County from the Office of the Attorney General for the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS). A copy of the contract is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

14.08.384 To file Warren Cat invoice #0080045903 in the amount of \$2,704.38 with the County Auditor for payment processing for repair of Cat Motor Grader with payment from Precinct #4 budget line 224.240.4458, Repair & Maintenance, Road Equipment.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public hearing on the 2015 Budget was heard and commented on with no action taken.

14.08.385 Motion made by Commissioner Norriss and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to approve the emergency and regular bills for payment.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.386 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Norriss to authorize County Judge to order a General Election, according to Tex. Elec. Code § 3.005, on November 4, 2014, and authorize County Judge to sign Order of General Election. A copy of the order is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.387 Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to approve the hiring of one (1) full-time, temporary Custodian in the Building Custodial Department to begin working on or about August 22, 2014, or as soon as possible thereafter, and continue working as a full-time, temporary employee for up to ninety (90) calendar days and to compensate said employee at an hourly pay rate of up to \$9.00 per hour, plus temporary staffing service billing fees up to \$5.22 per hour for a total hourly rate of up to \$14.22 per hour. This temporary custodian position will have no County benefits.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.388 Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to approve the purchase of one (1) 24"x48" and three (3) 24"x84" tables with tops, bases, and modesty panel(s) at a cost of \$1,835.20 and seven (7) chairs at a cost of \$1,465.87, plus installation at a cost of \$265.85, for a total cost not to exceed \$3,566.92 for the early voting/conference room to be paid from Permanent Improvement Fund or a line determined by the County Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.389 Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Norriss to award bid for re-roofing of the Wichita County Courthouse original building to Menasco Roofing as low bidder at \$364,890.00 and authorize County Judge to sign contract documents as prepared by Harper Perkins Architects, and to issue Notice to Proceed with contract costs and architect fees to be paid from Permanent Improvement Fund. Copies of the above mentioned documents are attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.390 Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to approve the personnel section within the proposed 2015 Budget with modifications as presented in the public hearing and any other adjustments as needed without changing the bottom line. A copy of the changes to the personnel section are attached hereto as Exhibit "D".

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.391 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Norriss to approve the maintenance and operation section of the proposed 2015 Budget with correction on Veterans Office budget of up to \$2,000, health insurance increase correction from 10% to 4.9%, and correction to amend water rates increase of approximately \$101,000.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.392 Motion made by Commissioner Norriss and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve the proposed capital expenditures section of the proposed 2105 budget with changes.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.393 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve the 2015 Budget Preface and Policy Section to include changes and additions.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.394 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Norriss to approve the overall proposed 2015 Budget with the incorporation of any approved changes. A copy of the memo of changes to the proposed budget is attached hereto as Exhibit "E".

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.395 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to set the debt service (I&S) rate at zero.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.396 Motion made by Commissioner Norriss and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to set the maintenance and operation (M&O) rate at the proposed rate of \$0.509368 or as changed.

Motion carried unanimously.

14.08.397 Motion made by Commissioner Presson and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to set the tax rate with motion as follows:

"I move that the property tax rate for Wichita County be set at the calculated effective tax rate of \$0.509368."

THIS BUDGET WILL RAISE LESS REVENUE FROM PROPERTY TAXES THAN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET BY AN AMOUNT OF \$-73,117.00, WHICH IS A 1.0 PERCENT DECREASE FROM LAST YEAR'S BUDGET. THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE TO BE RAISED FROM NEW PROPERTY ADDED TO THE TAX ROLL THIS YEAR IS \$268,988.00

Motion carried unanimously.

With no further action to be taken, the Commissioners Court adjourned at 10:50 a.m. to meet in a special session Monday, August 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Court Room.

ATTEST:

_____, Deputy
LORI BOHANNON, COUNTY CLERK
WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS

WOODROW W. GOSSOM, JR., COUNTY JUDGE
WICHITA COUNTY, TEXAS