

**MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT  
SPECIAL SESSION  
MARCH 21, 2016**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2016 A.D. at 10:01 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 March 14, 2016, with the following members present:

Honorable Woodrow W. Gossom, Jr., County Judge  
Commissioner Ray Gonzalez, Precinct No. 1  
Commissioner Lee Harvey, Precinct No. 2  
Commissioner Barry Mahler, Precinct No. 3  
Commissioner Jeff Watts, Precinct No. 4

Invocation by Commissioner Mahler

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge to the Texas Flag

Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Watts to approve and authorize the following consent agenda items 16.03.145 through 16.03.151:

16.03.145 To approve and ratify the minutes for both of the March 14, 2016 regular session.

16.03.146 To file Wilbourn & McCabe Plumbing Co. invoice #17006 in the amount of \$5,500.00 with the County Auditor for payment processing for the replacement of 100 gallon boiler in Courthouse basement with payment from Department 510 budget line(s) as assigned by the Auditor.

16.03.147 To approve and authorize County Judge to sign the Tax Resale Deed for the resale of Lot 2, Block 40, known as 1406 Terry Road and Lot 1, Block 40, 1400 Terry Road, Lee Gilbert 9 Cherokee County School Land Survey, Wichita County, Texas. A copy of the resale deed is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

16.03.148 To continue the additional charge of \$70.00 for transportation services charged by Falls Funeral Home & Cremation Center for transporting dead bodies during 2016 under the same conditions as established by Addendum No. 1 to the 2015 Agreement for disposition of dead bodies.

16.03.149 To file Texoma Heating & Air invoice #6286 in the amount of \$2,765.76 with the County Auditor for payment processing for repair of chiller unit with payment from 100.510.4454, Repair & Maintenance, Building Equipment.

16.03.150 To transfer \$1,200.00 to 100.428.4304, Travel/Out of County, Employee from 100.428.4852, Training/Conference & Seminars to cover a line item deficit in the District Attorney's budget.

16.03.151 To authorize transfer of \$500.00 from Road & Bridge Precinct #3 Operations, 223.230, to the Road & Bridge Precinct #3 Overhead, 223.232, to fully fund projected expenses for 2016.

Motion carried unanimously.

16.03.152 Motion made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve the emergency and regular bills for payment.

Motion carried unanimously.

General Business item #3 was heard next.

16.03.153 Motion made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to award bid for Sprague Annex Jail Shower Renovations to Bratcher Construction as low bidder.

Motion carried unanimously.

General Business item #2, the Quarterly Interpretation from Wichita County Ag Extension Office, was heard next with no action taken.

No action was taken on General Business item #4, the District Clerk's request to increase the salaries of her personnel.

16.03.154 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve quote from Galls in the amount of \$5,434.92 for seven (7) Tactical Vests and one (1) Tactical Outer Vest, plus shipping, to be paid from 100.560.3453, Public Safety Equipment, and 100.560.3602, Fuel, or from appropriate line(s) as determined by the County Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

16.03.155 Motion made by Commissioner Watts and seconded by Commissioner Harvey to approve Quote #2 from Holder's Jewelers for 2016 Employee Service Awards for six (6) Men's Watches and six (6) Women's Watches at \$177.00 each, with \$40.00 shipping, for a total of \$2,164.00, to be paid from 100.404.4253, Service Awards, or from appropriate line as determined by the County Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

16.03.156 Motion made by Commissioner Mahler and seconded by Commissioner Watts to authorize Human Resources Office to purchase 144 coffee cups for 1-year Employee Service Awards for 2016 at \$3.95 each, for a total of \$568.80, to be paid from 100.404.4253, Service Awards, or from appropriate line as determined by the County Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

General Business items 8 and 9 were moved to the afternoon work session.

General Business item #10 was removed per Commissioner Gonzalez.

16.03.157 Motion made by Commissioner Watts and seconded by Judge Gossom to authorize County Judge to sign Agreement with Web Fire Communications, Inc. and NEC for telecommunications services in the amount of \$389,350.00, including 5-year software warranty, and authorize a transfer of up to \$72,500 from General Fund Contingencies, 100.409.4902, to cover the 2016 payments to NEC to line items determined by the County Auditor. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Motion carried. Judge Gossom, Commissioner Mahler, and Commissioner Watts for. Commissioner Gonzalez and Commissioner Harvey against.

Discussion on jail work orders with no action taken.

Court recessed at 11:41 a.m. and went into a closed session at 1:42 p.m. for a briefing and discussion with Wichita County District Attorney's Office regarding settlement of claim with Sara York involving Wichita County Sheriff's Office. This meeting was closed pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (consultation with attorney).

Court went out of closed session and into open session at 1:54 p.m. with no action taken on closed session item, and then went into a work session for discussions on General Business items 8 and 9.

16.03.158 Motion made by Commissioner Harvey and seconded by Commissioner Mahler to authorize the Emergency Management Office to purchase materials, parts, and labor to reconfigure the Sheriff's Office repeater to operate on a different frequency and reinstall at an alternate location, and reprogram 238 mobile and portable radios at a cost of \$13,685.00, to be paid by transfer from General Fund Contingencies, to appropriate line(s) as determined by the County Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

16.03.159 Motion made by Commissioner Watts and seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez to authorize the Emergency Management Office to lease frequencies and tower space on a 600' tower from Mobile Phone of Texas for temporary operation of the Sheriff's Office radio system in the amount of \$1,500.00 per month, and cancel lease at lower tower location, to be paid by transfer from General Fund Contingencies, to appropriate line(s) as determined by the County Auditor, and authorize County Judge to sign lease agreement upon review and approval of legal counsel. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "C".

Motion carried unanimously.

Court took a short break at 2:46 p.m. and went back into a work session at 3:00 p.m. for discussions on Precinct road equipment inventory and road projects.

With no further action to be taken, Commissioners Court was adjourned at 5:11 p.m. and will meet in a special session on Monday, March 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom.

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_, Deputy  
LORI BOHANNON, COUNTY CLERK

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