



STATE OF TEXAS *
 COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 22nd DAY OF AUGUST A.D., 2002, THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN A BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

JAMES L. POWERS	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
H. S. "SUSIE" CARTER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
WILLIAM "BILL" BURNETT	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
RUSS G. MOLENAAR	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
LINDA C. FRITSCHÉ	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

WHEN THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

FY2003 HAYS COUNTY BUDGET * WORKSHOP

Clerk's Note: Commissioner Burnett was not present at beginning of meeting.

County Auditor Bill Herzog presented a list of changes to date:

Department/line item	Amount
DPS-telephone	\$ 1,160
Countywide – equipment (unspecified)	\$ (1,160)
Commissioner Pct. #2 – auto allowance	\$ 1,000
Commissioner Pct. #3 – auto allowance	\$ 1,000
County Judge – auto allowance	\$ 1,000
Bldg Mtc – courthouse utilities	\$ (3,000)
Sheriff's Dept – fuel & lubes	\$ (25,000)
Sheriff's Dept – vehicles	\$ (14,949)
Sheriff's Dept – communication equipment	\$ (3,840)
Sheriff's Dept – (law enforcement equipment)	\$ 17,604
Computer Services – CAD (sheriff)	\$ (10,000)
Computer Services – air card (Commissioner Pct. #1)	\$ (700)
Jail – contract bldg mtc & repair	\$ (5,000)
Constable #2 – video camera	\$ (5,000)
Personal Health – exam table & chairs (move to tobacco funds)	\$ (1,500)
JP 1-2 – delete bookkeeper position Salary & F.B. (effect 1/1/03)	\$ (8,906)
JP 1-2 – delete Bailiff position – crthse security (effect 10/2/02)	\$ (12,652)
General Fund – increase property taxes from increased values	\$(457,588)
R&B Fnd – increase property taxes from increased values	\$(100,454)
General Fund – funding guide revenue	\$ (4,000)
Grant Dept – increase supplies for funding guide	\$ 1,000
COLA increase of 2 ½ %	\$ 515,973
TOTAL INCREASE (DECREASE) IN EXPENSES VS REVENUE	\$(115,012)

Commissioner Ingalsbe advised that JP1-2 Bailiff position was moved back into courthouse security (County Court at Law) and needs to be deleted from the list.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT [T1-253]

Luis Gonzales requested changing his department name back to Human Resources Department – he would like consistency by not being referred to as the "Personnel Dept." – he spoke of changing his title as well (currently known as Personnel Director). Mr. Gonzales requested a "Human Resources Generalist" position which has been graded at Grade 22, however, he would like it as a Grade 21 position. This would give him 4 people in his department. He spoke of volume of work and increase in county employees (as well as turnover rate of employees). He spoke of Safety Officer assisting office staff and not being able to do his job. **Commissioner Burnett came to the meeting at this time.** He spoke of trying to be frugal since he took over this department – he plans on reducing the job advertisement budget amount by utilizing various programs. He has been using volunteers from the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Internship Program, Local CSR Program, etc. He spoke of various things he has done to reduce costs. He spoke of positions for Human Resources Dept. in the City of San Marcos (staff of 8), SWTSU (staff of 16), SMCISD (staff of 6). Commissioner Carter spoke of financial problems these entities are having and they may have to reduce their staff because of the economy. Luis Gonzales advised that payroll in July showed 747 employees (249 employees per 1 HRD staff) – he factors them into his workload. Commissioner Molenaar spoke of importance of taking care of our employees. Commissioner Burnett asked about the requested position. Luis Gonzales spoke of wanting someone familiar with benefits.

**DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE**

Bill Herzog suggested moving \$1,000 from continuing education line item to postage line item. ***A motion was made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Burnett to approve transfer of \$1,000 from continuing education line item into postage line item contingent on acceptance by the District Clerk. All voting "Aye".***

GRANTS DEPT. [T1-1000]

A motion was made by Commissioner Burnett, seconded by Commissioner Molenaar to increase Grant Dept. supplies line item \$1,000 for funding guide and increase \$4,000 for funding guide revenue. All Voting "Aye".

SHERIFF'S DEPT. [T1-1026]

County Auditor Bill Herzog spoke of the Sheriff revising his request. ***A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Molenaar to accept changes submitted by the Sheriff to decrease vehicles in the amount of \$14,949 and communication equipment in the amount of \$3,840. All voting "Aye".*** Bill Herzog advised that the law enforcement equipment line item shows an increase of \$17,604 (\$10,000 of that being from the CAD system decrease). Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that the court had already agreed to take that \$10,000 out of the budget so she is not accepting that. [T1-1076] ***A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Burnett to delete the \$10,000 for Sheriff's CAD (Computer Services) from the budget. All voting "Aye".***

SAN MARCOS/HAYS COUNTY EMS [T1-1109]

Commissioner Ingalsbe spoke of attending and EMS meeting and learning that the City of San Marcos has approved funding in the amount of \$162,000 – our funding is at \$150,000. She spoke of the City of Kyle not participating as she thinks they should (they are participating in the amount of \$50,000). The City of San Marcos has approved \$162,000 funding and the contract states that the county and city will participate equally. Commissioner Molenaar spoke of EMS entities around the county. Commissioner Ingalsbe stated that Tom Parten (Director of the San Marcos/Hays County EMS) wanted to see a countywide EMS instead of the way it is now with various entities throughout the county. Commissioner Molenaar spoke of EMS Districts and contracts.

LIBRARIES [T1-1350]

Discussion was had regarding sales tax revenues for Library Districts (Wimberley and Dripping Springs have Library Districts). Commissioner Burnett spoke of all libraries asking for increases - he spoke of expansion of Wimberley Library and he assumes that is what is going on in Dripping Springs.

VILLAGE INN OF WIMBERLEY [T1-1461]

Commissioner Carter asked about this item. Commissioner Burnett spoke of it being related to a Community Center in Wimberley – funding is to help with improvements. They are a non-profit corporation. Commissioner Carter questioned their non-profit status. County Auditor Bill Herzog advised that he will send out a letter requesting all social services to provide non-profit documentation. A motion was made by Commissioner Molenaar, seconded by Commissioner Carter to delete funding \$2,500 for line item #01-407-5882 Village Inn of Wimberley. Commissioner Molenaar and Commissioner Carter voting "Aye". Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Burnett, and Judge Powers voting "No". MOTION FAILED.

Court was adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED IN OPEN COURT ON THE 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2002

**JAMES L. POWERS, COUNTY JUDGE
H A Y S COUNTY, TEXAS**

**LEE CARLISLE, COUNTY CLERK
H A Y S COUNTY, TEXAS**

