#### HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES



APRIL 7, 2015 \*\*\*\*\* VOLUME V PG 591

STATE OF TEXAS \*
COUNTY OF HAYS \*

ON THIS THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL A.D., 2015, THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

ALBERT H. COBB JR

DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE

MARK JONES

WILL CONLEY

RAY O. WHISENANT JR

ROSE ROBINSON

COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1

COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3

COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

### AND THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Reverend Carl W. Clark, Chaplin gave the invocation and Judge Cobb led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Judge Cobb called the meeting to order.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Marshall Jennings - Dripping Springs Resident and Suzanne Teshera - Driftwood Resident made public comments.

## PRESENTATION BY THE VETERAN SERVICES OFFICE TO ANNOUNCE AN UPCOMING VETERANS SUMMIT ON APRIL $22^{\rm ND}$

Jude Prather, Veteran Services Officer spoke of the April 22<sup>nd</sup> Veterans Service Organization at 5:30 p.m. at the Hays County Court House; Topics of discussion: Emergency assistant funds that each organization uses; Veterans Issues in the Texas Legislative Session; Veterans events that each organization is planning and or organizing; Coordination and updates about Veterans Benefits and Veterans access to Healthcare and suicide prevention efforts.

## PRESENTATION BY REPRESENTATIVES OF OHL USA, INC. REGARDING WORK ZONE AND CONSTRUCTION AREA AWARENESS AND SAFETY

David Dennis, CSHO, SSH- Director of Safety, OHL USA gave a presentation to the Court. TxDOT and the Federal Highway Administration recently observed National Work Zone Awareness Week, urging drivers to slow down, pay attention and be extra cautious when driving through work zones and construction areas. According to TxDOT, 146 people were killed in Texas work zone crashes last year – an increase of more than 20 percent from 2013. The County has a number construction projects underway, including the Interstate 35/Yarrington Road bridge replacement that has already required closures and stoppages on Interstate 35 main lanes and will require additional closures, stoppages and detours as this large construction project on Interstate 35 continues.

PRESENTATION BY THE BARTON SPRINGS EDWARDS AQUIFER CONSERVATION DISTRICT RELATED TO HYDROLOGICAL STUDIES AND ANALYSIS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ELECTRO PURIFICATION ("E.P.") GROUNDWATER PROJECT IN PRECINCT 3. DISCUSSION MAY INCLUDE MATTERS RELATED TO THE E.P. PROJECT, PROPOSED USERS OF GROUNDWATER DELIVERED FROM THE E.P. PROJECT, ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF WATER FOR PROPOSED USERS OF GROUNDWATER DELIVERED FROM THE E.P. PROJECT, AND LEGISLATIVE MATTERS RELATED TO THE E.P. PROJECT

Trinity Aquifer. General Manager Rick Broun and Mary Stone – with BSEACD made public comments. Brian A. Smith, PhD.,PG Aquifer Science Team Leader Senior Hydrogeolist spoke and gave an presentation to the Court.

### 30562 APPROVE PAYMENTS OF COUNTY INVOICES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve payments of County Invoices in the amount of \$ 479,886.43 as submitted by the County Auditor. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

### 30563 APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES OF MARCH 31, 2015

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of March 31, 2015 as presented by the County Clerk. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

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APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR ERICA CARPENTER AND MELISSA PIÑA TO ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIES OF EMERGENCY DISPATCH CONFERENCE IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

The Sheriff's Office needs approval for out of state travel for Erica Carpenter and Melissa Piña to attend and speak at the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch Conference April 28th through May 2nd, 2015 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Erica and Melissa have been invited to participate as speakers at the Conference. Registration, flight and hotel fees are being paid for by the International Association of Emergency Dispatch. Per diem and shuttle service will be requested from the Sheriff's Office Continuing Education General Ledger. Amount required \$350.00 line item 001-618-00.5551 Continuing Ed. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve out of state travel for Erica Carpenter and Melissa Pena to attend the International Academies for Emergency Dispatch Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

## 30565 AUTHORIZE INSTITUTIONAL OSSF PERMIT AT 601 OLD OAKS RANCH ROAD, WIMBERLEY, TX

Matthew Gorman is proposing an OSSF to serve the kitchen and offices for a Nova Recovery Rehabilitation Center at 601 Old Oaks Ranch Road in Precinct 3. This property is 20.004 acres in size and water will be supplied by an on-site public water supply well. The components of this on-site sewage facility will be, 2 lift stations, a non-standard treatment system made up of a grease trap, trash tank, equalization tank, and 4 aerobic treatment units. Effluent will be dispersed to a drip irrigation field. The system was designed by David McGhee, R.S. for a maximum of 1400 gpd. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize Institutional OSSF permit at 601 Old Oaks Ranch Road, Wimberley, Tx. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30566 APPROVE THE CANCELLATION OF THE HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: JUNE 16, AUG 25, SEPT 8, OCT 6, DEC 1, 22 AND 29

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve the cancellation of the Hays County Commissioners Court on the following dates: June 16, Aug 25, Sept 8, Oct 6, Dec 1,22 and 29. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

## 30567 AUTHORIZE THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO ATTEND ON SITE COBAN SERVER TRAINING AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

This training provided by Coban will allow the IT Department to obtain administrative functionality for the servers. Currently the Sheriff's Office has the administrator rights. This will give each respective department control of their own profile and videos and allow the IT Department to maintain the administrative functions. Additional continuing education funds needed have been identified in the IT operating budget to cover this request. Amount Required \$2,500; Increase Continuing Education: 001-680-00.5551 \$1,500; Decrease Data Supplies: 001-680-00.5202 (\$900); Decrease Office Supplies: 001-680-00.5211 (\$600). A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the Information Technology Department to attend on Site Coban Server Training and amend the budget accordingly, All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30568 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS WITH SAN MARCOS CISD, HAYS CISD, WIMBERLEY ISD, AND DRIPPING SPRINGS ISD FOR FACILITY USE IN THE EVENT OF A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

Hays County has had Interlocal Cooperation Agreements with the San Marcos, Hays, Wimberley, and Dripping Springs School Districts for the purposes of facility use in the event of public health emergency. Each agreement runs for a 5 year term; this item will renew for a period ending in 2020. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to sign Interlocal Agreements with San Marcos CISD, Hays CISD, Wimberley ISD, and Dripping Springs ISD for facility use in the event of Public Health Emergency. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30569 APPROVE SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASING TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS REGARDING AN UPDATE TO A CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM ASSESSMENT AND JAIL POPULATION STUDY

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Conley to approve specifications and authorize purchasing to advertise Request for Proposals regarding an update to a Criminal Justice System Assessment and Jail Population Study. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED



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30570 APPROVE AN ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION AGREEMENT WITH DRIFTWOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

The district plans to commence assessing a property tax with the 2016 tax year. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve an Assessment and Collection Agreement with Driftwood Economic Development Municipal Management District. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30571 AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO UTILIZE DRUG FORFEITURE FUNDS FOR SUPPLEMENTAL PAY FOR ONE SERGEANT POSITION, SLOT 0475-015 FOR A 25 DAY PERIOD AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

The Sheriff is requesting supplemental pay for one Sergeant Position that covered the CID Lieutenant, slot 0473- 005 during a temporary vacancy for 25 days between February 12th and March 8th. Drug Forfeiture funds are available to fund this request. Amount required \$665.00; Increase Staff Salaries - \$554; Increase FICA - \$35; Increase Medicare - \$9; Increase Retirement - \$67; Decrease Misc Expense - (\$665). A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the Sheriff's Office to utilize Drug Forfeiture funds for supplemental pay for one Sergeant Position, slot 0475-015 for a 25 day period and amend the budget accordingly. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30572 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A LETTER AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE AGREEMENT WITH YARBROUGH AGENCY FOR GROUP INSURANCE RELATED SERVICES

This service fee is charged to our Medical and Dental Professional and Administrative Services Fee fund. The Yarbrough Agency has provided consulting and administrative services since 2010 for Hays County. Recent services included RFP analysis, and Health Care Reform information and advice as well as upcoming open enrollment and employee benefit meetings. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the County Judge to sign a Letter Amendment extending the Agreement with Yarbrough Agency for group insurance related services. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

AUTHORIZE THE HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR FUNDS TO THE TEXAS COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE FOR UNCLAIMED CAPITAL CREDITS PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, SECTION 74.602 AND CERTIFY ANY AVAILABLE FUNDING WILL BE USED PER LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 381.004

The County Judge's office has received notification from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts regarding possible available funding through unclaimed capital credits received from electric cooperatives in this area. The County must request these funds and certify that funds will be used for purposes as specified under section 381.004 of the Local Government Code. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the Hays County Commissioner's Court to submit a request for funds to the Texas Comptroller's Office for unclaimed capital credits pursuant to the Texas Property Code, Section 74.602 and certify any available funding will be used per Local Government Code, Section 381.004. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30574 CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL 21ST, 2015 TO DISCUSS FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE REPLAT OF LOT 17, HILL CREEK WEST SUBDIVISION

A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Jones to call for a public hearing on April 21st, 2015 to discuss final plat approval of the Replat of Lot 17, Hill Creek West Subdivision. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

30575 APPROVE AN AMENDED HAYS COUNTY PROPERTY USE POLICY, INCLUDING A NEW SECTION REGARDING POLLING PLACES; AND TO ESTABLISH A NEW GROUNDS USE LICENSE AGREEMENT; AND TO DECLARE AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Russell Hayter – San Marcos Resident, Kurt Hildebrand – Wimberley Resident and Jon Leonard San Marcos resident made public comments. General Counsel Mark Kennedy and Joyce Cowan Elections Administrator spoke. A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve an amended Hays County Property Use Policy, including a new section regarding polling places; and to establish a new Grounds Use License Agreement; and to declare with an effective date of June 1<sup>st</sup> for section 2 with section 1 & 3 being effective immediately. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED



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## 30576 ACTION TO ABANDON A PORTION OF RIGHT OF WAY NEAR GATEWAY BOULEVARD AND FM 967 IN PRECINCT 2 OF HAYS COUNTY

Commissioner Mark Jones and General Counsel Mark Kennedy spoke. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to abandon a portion of Right of Way near Gateway Boulevard and FM 967 in Precinct 2 of Hays County. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

County Clerk's Note Agenda Item #19 RE: AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE A LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR PASSIVE PUBLIC RECREATION PURPOSES BETWEEN HAYS COUNTY AND THE DAHLSTROM FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; TO AUTHORIZE GENERAL COUNSEL TO BRING THE COUNTY INTO COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AN OPERATIONS PLAN AND AN IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE PROJECT – was pulled

# DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY JAIL, AND THE PLANNING OF PROJECTS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES NEEDS WITHIN THE COUNTY

Judge Cobb gave the Hays County Jail Report. Hays County's current maximum jail capacity is 362 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding approximately 10% of capacity open. That lowers our capacity to 311. The jail's daily average was 321 and peak was 334 on April 1st for the week of March 29 to April 4, 2015. The maximum female capacity is 76 inmates. Last week's average was 60 and peak was 68 on 4/1/2015. The maximum male capacity is 256 inmates. Last week's average was 261 and peak was 280 on 3/29/2015.

### ACTION RELATED TO THE BURN BAN AND/OR DISASTER DECLARATION

Judge Cobb declared the Burn Ban will remain lifted and recommended that the public used extreme caution when conducting outdoor burning.

County Clerk's Note Agenda Item # 22 RE: DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE ROAD BOND PROJECTS, INCLUDING UPDATES FROM MIKE WEAVER, PRIME STRATEGIES, LAURA HARRIS, HNTB AND ALLEN CROZIER, HDR - was pulled

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to adjourn court at 12:12 p.m.

I, LIZ Q. GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners' Court on <u>April 7, 2015</u>.



LIZ Q GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS

