

THE REGULAR SESSION OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF TRINITY COUNTY WAS HELD MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2011 AT 9:00AM IN THE COMMISSIONERS' COURTROOM, 219 WEST FIRST STREET, TRINITY COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX, GROVETON, TEXAS, WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

DOUG PAGE, COUNTY JUDGE
GROVER WORSHAM, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
RICHARD CHAMBERLIN, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
CECIL WEBB, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
JIMMY BROWN, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4

1. JUDGE PAGE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:00AM AND NOTED THAT THE AGENDA WAS PROPERLY FILED AND POSTED AT 8:40AM, AUGUST 4, 2011. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE PRESENT. OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT INCLUDED COUNTY ATTORNEY JOE WARNER BELL, SHERIFF RALPH MONTEMAYOR, CONSTABLE #1 WOODY WALLACE, CONSTABLE #4 RONNIE HUNT, EXTENSION AGENT ARMON HEWITT, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE #4 SAM O. BLAIR, COUNTY TREASURER JO BARTEE, VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER GENE PRATER, CONSTABLE #1 WOODY WALLACE, CONSTABLE #2 STERLING JOHNSON, AND COUNTY CLERK DIANE MCCRORY. JUDGE PAGE WELCOMED EVERYONE TO THE MEETING.
2. BROTHER NEIL KEMPER, CHURCH OF CHRIST, GROVETON, GAVE THE OPENING PRAYER. JUDGE PAGE LED THE GROUP IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN AND TEXAS FLAGS.
3. THE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR SESSION HELD JULY 11, 2011 AND THE SPECIAL SESSION HELD JULY 25, 2011 WERE APPROVED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WEBB AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
4. REPORT FOR JUNE 2011 FOR JP #1, REPORTS FOR JULY 2011 FOR JP #2, JP #3 AND JP #4, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT, CONSTABLE #2 COUNTY CLERK, DISTRICT CLERK, COUNTY ATTORNEY, SHERIFF AND TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR WERE APPROVED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WEBB AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN. MOTION CARRIED.
5. APPROVAL OF THE G/L EXPENSE DISTRIBUTION, CHECK AND PAYROLL REGISTERS FOR JULY 2011 WAS MADE BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN. MOTION CARRIED.
6. THE TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR JULY 2011 WAS UNAVAILABLE FOR APPROVAL AND WILL BE PRESENTED AT A SPECIAL SESSION LATER THIS MONTH.
7. AUTHORITY TO SECURE FUNDS OF \$150,000.00 BY THE TREASURER TO MEET END OF AUGUST PAYROLL, BILLS AND FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS WAS APPROVED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
8. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND INVOICES AS PRESENTED WAS MADE BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
9. AMENDMENTS TO THE FY 2011 BUDGET WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
10. APPROVAL OF A PAUPER FUNERAL FOR HATTIE LEE MCGLOTHEN WAS MADE BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WEBB AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN. MOTION CARRIED.
11. NO OFFICIAL BONDS WERE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL.
12. JUDGE PAGE AND COMMISSIONERS GAVE SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO FRIENDS OF THE TRINITY COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND EFFORTS WITH THE TRINITY COUNTY COURTHOUSE REDEDICATION.
13. ACCEPTANCE OF A \$1,000.00 DONATION MADE TO THE COUNTY FROM PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS & MOTT, LLC TO OFFSET THE COST OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EFFORTS USED TO FIGHT THE BEARING FIRE IN TRINITY WAS MADE BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.

14. COMMISSIONER WORSHAM GAVE THE COURT AND UPDATE ON THE BRIDGE COLLAPSE PORT ADVENTURE SUBDIVISION.
15. CARL DYER WAS APPOINTED AS PART-TIME EOC OFFICER ON BEHALF OF TRINITY COUNTY BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN. MOTION CARRIED.
16. TRINITY RURAL WATER WAS PERMITTED TO RUN A WATER LINE FROM THE END OF HENRY PARKER ROAD TO 1210 FOUNTAIN CREEK ROAD BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
17. CONSTABLE #1 WALLACE AND CONSTABLE #2 JOHNSON ADDRESSED THE COURT REGARDING POSSIBLE CONTRACT BETWEEN WESTWOOD SHORES POA AND PRECINCT 1 CONSTABLE'S OFFICE TO MAINTAIN SECURITY WITHIN THE SUBDIVISION. ON A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WORSHAM, IT WAS AGREED TO TABLE THIS ITEM PENDING RECEIPT AND REVIEW OF CONTRACT. MOTION CARRIED.
18. APPROVAL OF CUSTOMER SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A MANAGED NETWORK SECURITY WAS MADE BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
19. TWO LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH TEXAS IMAGING FOR TWO COPY MACHINES WERE APPROVED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
20. THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S QUARTERLY REPORT ON CASH COUNTS AND MONTHLY REPORTS OF FEE COLLECTING OFFICES WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
21. CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTION BOXES FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2011 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION WAS APPROVED AS SUBMITTED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN. MOTION CARRIED.
22. EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE LOCATIONS, TIMES AND DATES WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER BROWN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
23. PURSUANT TO ELECTION CODE 32.001 & 32.002 COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCT PRESIDING AND ALTERNATE JUDGES FOR 2011-2012 WERE APPOINTED AS PROPOSED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
24. PURSUANT TO ELECTION CODE 127.005 APPOINTMENT OF CENTRAL STATION MANAGER, TABULATION SUPERVISOR, ASSISTANT TABULATION SUPERVISORS AND CENTRAL COUNTING JUDGE WAS APPROVED AS SUBMITTED BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER BROWN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
25. ADOPTION OF SHERIFF'S AND CONSTABLES' FEES WAS TABLED PENDING RECEIPT OF INFORMATION ON SURROUNDING AND COMPARABLE COUNTIES BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
26. COUNTY ATTORNEY JOE WARNER BELL GAVE COMMISSIONERS AN UPDATE ON REDISTRICTING COMMISSIONERS PRECINCTS IN TRINITY COUNTY.
27. A PUBLIC HEARING ON REDISTRICTING COMMISSIONERS PRECINCTS AND VOTING PRECINCTS WAS SET FOR 8-22-11 AT 1:00PM WITH POSTING AND PUBLISHING OF NOTICE AUTHORIZED BY COUNTY ATTORNEY BY A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WORSHAM AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WEBB. MOTION CARRIED.
28. AT 11:50AM A PUBLIC HEARING WAS OPENED TO DISCUSS ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF SAFETY SIGNAGE ON PINECREST ROAD. NO ONE WAS PRESENT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT AND THE HEARING WAS CLOSED AT 11:52AM.
29. ON A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER CHAMBERLIN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WORSHAM, AUTHORIZATION FOR ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF SAFETY SIGNAGE ON PINECREST ROAD WAS APPROVED. MOTION CARRIED.

30. A BUDGET WORKSHOP WAS HELD. SUSAN MCKINLEY, TCAD, DISCUSSED TAX RATES AND NEW APPRAISALS WITH COMMISSIONERS. OTHER ITEMS DISCUSSED INCLUDED ROAD AND BRIDGE BUDGETS, TIMBER MONEY AND BUDGET REQUESTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS. NO OFFICIAL ACTION WAS TAKEN BY COMMISSIONERS ON THIS ITEM.

31. GENE PRATER, VSO, ADDRESSED COMMISSIONERS' COURT DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING. HE THANKED COMMISSIONERS FOR AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE CONFERENCE IN SEPTEMBER, BUT EXPLAINED THAT IT WAS FOR NEWLY APPOINTED VSO'S AND THAT HE HAD ATTENDED A CONFERENCE EARLIER IN THE SPRING OF 2011.

32. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON A MOTION FROM COMMISSIONER WEBB AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BROWN COURT WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:35PM. MOTION CARRIED.

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ATTEST:

DIANE MCCRORY, COUNTY CLERK