

**THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF FANNIN**

**IN COMMISSIONERS COURT
FANNIN COUNTY, TEXAS**

On this 4th day of August, 2014 the Fannin County Commissioners Court met in a Regular Meeting after public notice was posted on the 31st day of July 2014 at 4:53 p.m. with the following members being present:

Creta L. Carter II	County Judge
Gary Whitlock	Commissioner, Precinct 1
Stan Barker	Commissioner, Precinct 2
Jerry Magness	Commissioner, Precinct 3
Dean Lackey	Commissioner, Precinct 4

The following business was transacted to-wit:

CALL TO ORDER

Judge Carter called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

INVOCATION

Dean Lackey, Commissioner Pct 4

ITEM 2. ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Judge Carter stated all commissioners are present.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC FORUM

Judge Carter thanked Scott Dyer, Auditor for his efforts in assisting in the Budget Workshops.

ITEM 4. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

Minutes were presented for July 28, 2014 and July 21, 2014 (R).

Motion By: Commissioner Stan Barker
Second By: Commissioner Dean Lackey
Vote: 4 - 0 Approved

ITEM 5. DISCUSSION REGARDING TCOG GENERAL PRESENTATION ON PROGRAMS AND SERVICES – TCOG

Susan B. Thomas, PhD, Executive Director of TCOG thanked Judge Carter for serving on the Board of Directors. Dr. Thomas stated program managers are present to advise the court on services provided.

Randy McBroom, PhD, Planning & Development Department Director stated Public Safety is one of two primary areas in his department which includes the 9-1-1 Program, another is Homeland Security which deals with FEMA grants and funding; the second primary area is Criminal Justice and includes GIS and mapping; another area is Economic Development which includes Waste Management and also Planning.

Stacey Sloan, Finance Director stated her department includes Purchasing and Human Resources; transparency and stabilizing the Indirect Rate are two areas of primary focus.

Karen Bray, Aging Services Department Director stated her area deals with veterans, caregivers, schools, hospitals and those with disabilities.

Allison Minton, Client Service Department Director stated her department works with Section 8 Housing and Public Housing, energy assistance programs and a 2-1-1 information assistance program with a focus on improving quality of life.

ITEM 6. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AWARD OF BID #14009 FOR CULVERTS FOR ALL PRECINCTS FOR 2014 / 2015 - PURCHASING AGENT

Jill Holmes, Purchasing Agent stated the annual contract is up for renewal; three vendors responded, it is recommended Wilson Culverts be awarded the contract and provided a majority of low bids; ADS is recommended for the alternative.

Commissioner Barker moved to approve as recommended.

Motion By: Commissioner Stan Barker
Second By: Commissioner Jerry Magness
Vote: 4 – 0 Approved

ITEM 7. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, FOR MAINTENANCE ON COUNTY'S COMMUNICATION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SERVICE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 2014 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF FANNIN COUNTY - PURCHASING AGENT & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

Jill Holmes, Purchasing Agent stated the annual contract is up for renewal and covers emergency services and precinct barn communications, there is a 3% increase from last year for a total of \$9,211.80.

Darrell Brewer, Emergency Services Coordinator stated the communications affects fire departments, Sheriff, law enforcement and commissioners.

Ms. Holmes stated the agreement includes coverage 24/7 with a response time of no more than 7-8 hours.

Scott Dyer, Auditor stated 75% of the funding comes from the General Fund and 25% will be split

between the county commissioners.

Motion By: Commissioner Stan Barker
Second By: Commissioner Gary Whitlock
Vote: 4 - 0 Approved

[Attachment]

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF METAL DETECTOR(S) AND NECESSARY RENOVATION TO BE PAID OUT OF COURTHOUSE SECURITY FUND #11-510-571 - COUNTY JUDGE

Judge Carter stated Judge Blake 336th District Court asked that she and Wayne Shouse, Bailiff be consulted before a decision is made; today will be discussion.

Judge Carter asked if any commissioners were interested in closing the 3 of 4 entrances into the courthouse; none responded in the affirmative.

Commissioner Barker stated opposition to denying open access to the courthouse.

Judge Carter stated a metal detector requires figuring out logistics of location and operating personnel; Commissioner Barker recommended in front of the District Courtroom doors was the best location.

Commissioner Lackey inquired as to exactly what area needed security. Judge Carter related two events including an incident in the District Courtroom and one on the first floor. Judge Carter stated he has not been approached by any citizens or attorneys other than one letter written by Michael Evans, County Bar Association President recommending the courthouse be secured.

Judge Carter stated if the District Court is going to be secured; the County Court at Law should also have the same protections.

Commissioner Barker stated about \$16,000 is added to the Security Fund each year; hiring security personnel would quickly exhaust those funds.

Scott Dyer, Auditor stated a part time person might be considered for particular cases.

Jill Holmes, Purchasing Agent recommended visitations be made to other counties to review their security.

ITEM 9. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS - AUDITOR

Motion By: Commissioner Jerry Magness
Second By: Commissioner Gary Whitlock
Vote: 4 - 0 Approved

[Attachment]

ITEM 10. ADJOURN

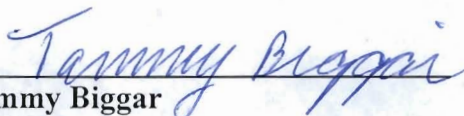
Motion By: Commissioner Gary Whitlock
Second By: Commissioner Jerry Magness
Vote: 4 - 0 Approved

Adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

The above and foregoing represents true and correct minutes of the Fannin County Commissioner's Court meeting in Regular Session the 4th day of August, 2014.

(LGC 81.003)

ATTEST:



Tammy Biggar
Fannin County Clerk

