

Taylor County Commissioners' Court

February 7, 2017

The Commissioners' Court of Taylor County met in Regular Session on February 7, 2017, with the following members present:

1. Judge Downing A. Bolls Jr., County Judge
2. Randy Williams, Commissioner, Precinct 1
3. Kyle Kendrick, Commissioner, Precinct 2
4. Brad Birchum, Commissioner, Precinct 3
5. Chuck Statler, Commissioner, Precinct 4

When the following motions were heard:

1. Judge Bolls convened the Court in open session at 10:00 a.m.

2. Chris Hale, Abilene Fire Department Chaplain gave the invocation and Commissioner Statler led the Court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

3. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on January 24th and January 31st, 2017 and to adopt the agenda for the meeting of February 7, 2017 as printed and posted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously.

4. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve budget transfers as recommended by the Auditor. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

5. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve bills from the following funds and to order them paid according to minutes of the accounts. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

1. General Fund
2. Tobacco Settlement
3. County Clerk's Microfilm
4. Restricted Fees
5. Juvenile Education Services
6. Local TYC
7. Jail Commissary
8. S.O. Forfeiture
9. Road and Bridge
10. Lateral Road

- 11. Capital Construction
- 12. Employee Benefit
- 13. Payroll Clearing

- 6. Receive 1st Quarter Investment Report

Lesa Crosswhite, County Treasurer presented the Investment Report as certified by the Investment Committee for the 1st Quarter of the 2017 fiscal year which ending December 31, 2016. [Exhibit]

- 7. Consider approval of an Appointed Public Officials Bond and Oath for Constable Precinct 2, James Tuck and any appropriate action.

Judge Bolls administered the Oath of Office to James Tuck, Constable Precinct 2. Cathy Taff presented the Public Officials Bond for Mr. Tuck. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the Public Officials Bond for Constable Precinct 2, James Tuck. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 8. Consider approval of lease agreement for operations and management of Buffalo Gap Historical Village and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Statler and Frank Stamey Assistant District Attorney presented documents related to the County becoming owner of the Buffalo Gap Historic Village. The Court also discussed maintenance of the facility. Commissioner Statler made a motion to approve the lease agreement with Taylor County History Center DBA Buffalo Gap Historic Village and authorize the Judge to sign on behalf of the Commissioners' Court. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Birchum and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 9. Consider appointment of applicants to the Taylor County Historical Commission and any appropriate action.

Larry Sanders, Chair of the Commission presented a list of names for appointment. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to approve the appointment of the applicants to the Taylor County Historical Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

- 10. Consider approval of request to accept the Windmill Crossing road, located in the Windmill Crossing Subdivision, Precinct 4

Commissioner Statler received a request from the Developer, Rex Miller to accept for county maintenance this road which had previously been designated as a private road. He stated the road exceeds county specifications. Commissioner Statler made a motion to accept the Windmill Crossing Road into the County inventory to include the paved roadway and sixty foot easement the paved road is built upon. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

11. Consider approval of the final plat of the Hillside addition located in Precinct 3 and any appropriate action.

Commissioner Birchum reported all requirements of the Taylor County Subdivision have been met or exceeded. Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the final plat of the Hillside Addition located in Precinct 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

12. Consider approval of the preliminary plat called South Fork Ranch in Buffalo Gap, Precinct 3.

Commissioner Birchum said South Fork is being developed by Kyle Paul and Gary McDowell and is just south of Buffalo Gap near County Roads 150 and 151. Commissioner Birchum made a motion to approve the preliminary plat called South Fork Ranch in Buffalo Gap, Precinct 3. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

13. Consider approval to Exhibit A-Work Order #1, Project 2, Taylor County Courthouse Renovations with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper regarding courthouse sidewalk replacement.

Scott Henderson, County Purchasing Agent presented the document which is an addendum to the agreement dated June 1, 2015. Commissioner Birchum made a motion to accept Exhibit A, Work Order #1, Project 2, Taylor County Courthouse Renovations as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

14. Discuss and Consider drought conditions with outdoor burning and any appropriate action.

The Court determined the necessity to declare a ban on outdoor burning based upon conditions in each precinct. Commissioner Statler made a motion to Order

a Ban Outdoor Burning. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and carried unanimously. [Exhibit]

15. Discuss and Consider firework sales for Texas Independence Day, March 2, 2017.

The Court took no action on this item.

16. Commissioner Kendrick made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Williams and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

The foregoing Minutes have been examined, read and approved this 21st day of February 2017.



County Clerk, Taylor County, Texas



County Judge, Taylor County, Texas

