

**IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF  
BELL COUNTY, TEXAS**

**AUGUST 22, 2011**

AFTER proper posting of public notice, a copy of which is attached hereto, on this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2011, the County Commissioners Court of Bell County, Texas, met in the Commissioners' Courtroom in Belton, Texas, in regular session with the following members of said Court present, to-wit:

**JUDGE JON H. BURROWS, County Judge  
COMMISSIONER RICHARD CORTESE, Precinct #1  
COMMISSIONER TIM BROWN, Precinct #2  
COMMISSIONER EDDY LANGE, Precinct #3  
COMMISSIONER JOHN FISHER, Precinct #4  
SHELLEY COSTON, County Clerk  
BRYAN NEAVES, County Engineer**

Agenda #1 – Minutes

**MINUTE ORDER #340/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows called to the Courts attention that the minutes of August 15, 2011, 9:00 a.m. regular session, August 16, 2011, 6:00 p.m. special session, and August 17, 2011, 9:00 a.m. special session had been received. After due discussion, these minutes were accepted as presented.

Agenda #2a - County Engineer

**MINUTE ORDER #341/11:** County Engineer Bryan Neaves presented for approval authorizing the County Auditor to advertise for bids for culvert pipes. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #2b - County Engineer

**MINUTE ORDER #342/11:** County Engineer Bryan Neaves presented for approval authorizing the abandonment of a Utility Easement located between Lots 156 and 158 in the Hidden Springs Subdivision, Precinct 2. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #3 - Personnel

**MINUTE ORDER #343/11:** Upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court unanimously approved all employee status report forms, the same being attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #4 – Presentation honoring the late Deputy Ron Flippo

**MINUTE ORDER #344/11:** **Sheriff Dan Smith** made a presentation to Barbara Flippo, wife of the late Deputy Ron Flippo, a Texas Flag from TCLEOSE and the Governor's Office, along with letters from TCLEOSE, Governor Rick Perry and Sheriff Dan Smith, commemorating Deputy Ron Flippo's distinguished law enforcement career. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court endorsed this presentation.

Agenda #5 – G&K Uniform Services Renewal Agreement

**MINUTE ORDER #345/11:** After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court unanimously approved, through Texas BuyBoard, the renewal of Agreement between Bell County, Texas and G&K Uniform Services for uniform merchandise and services for Road & Bridge and Maintenance Departments for a one-year term with two one-year options. A copy of said agreement is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #6 – Annual Fiber Maintenance Contract

**MINUTE ORDER #346/11:** After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved awarding the proposal (RFP-16-1) for Annual Fiber Maintenance Contract to JC Communications.

Agenda #7 - Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

**MINUTE ORDER #347/11:** **County Judge Jon Burrows** presented for discussion the status of the Order Restricting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban) issued July 25, 2011 and set to expire on August 29, 2011. After due discussion, the Court took no action on this matter and the current Order Restricting Outdoor Burning remains in effect until August 29, 2011.

Agenda #8 –Re-announce Dates for Presentation of the FY 2012 Budget, Public Hearings and Approval of the Budget and Tax Rates

**MINUTE ORDER #348/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows re-announced the following date for the adoption and approval of the FY 2011 – 2012 Bell County Budget and Tax Rates to be held in the Commissioners’ Courtroom:

1. August 29, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

Adopt FY 2011 - 2012 Budget

Adopt FY 2011 - 2012 Tax Rates.

Agenda # 9 – Public Hearing for District Clerk’s District Court Records Technology Fund

**MINUTE ORDER #349/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows opened a public hearing at 9:24 a.m. for public comments to consider a plan for the District Clerk’s District Court Records Technology Fund, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 51.305, for preservation and restoration services performed in connection with maintaining a district courts records archive. There being no public comments, the hearing was closed.

Agenda # 10 – District Court Record Archive Fee

**MINUTE ORDER #350/11:** After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved the adoption of Bell County District Clerk Preservation and Restoration Records Plan, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 51.305, and adoption of a District Court Record Archive fee of \$5.00 effective October 1, 2011. A copy of said Plan is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda # 11 – Bell County Drug Court Program

**MINUTE ORDER #351/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows presented for approval a Resolution continuing the Bell County Drug Court Program. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved this matter. A copy of said Resolution is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #12 - Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS)

**MINUTE ORDER #352/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows presented for approval the renewal of the Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS) Maintenance Grant Contract between the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) and Bell County for the State Fiscal

Year 2012 (OAG Contract No. 1223940). After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved this matter. A copy of said Contract is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #13 -- Presentation of the FY 2012 Budget

**MINUTE ORDER #353/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows in accordance with the law governing such matters presented the FY 2011-2012 Bell County Budget. No action taken by the Court.

Agenda #14 – Public Hearing on the FY 2011- 2012 Bell County Budget

**MINUTE ORDER #354/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows opened a public hearing at 10:15 a.m. for public comments regarding the FY 2011-2012 Bell County Budget. Charles Jones spoke in favor of the matter. There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 10:16 a.m.

Agenda #15 – 2nd Public Hearing on the FY 2011- 2012 Bell County Tax Rates

**MINUTE ORDER #355/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows opened a public hearing at 10:16 a.m. for public comments regarding the FY 2011-2012 Bell County Tax Rates. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Agenda #16-Claims

**MINUTE ORDER #356/11:** County Judge Jon Burrows presented the claims for review to the Court. After proper review, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, seconded by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved all such claims. All according to a copy of the same being of record in the office of the County Auditor.

(The Court then went into workshop session to discuss those items on the workshop agenda with no action being taken on any item.)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

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Jon H. Burrows, County Judge

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Shelley Coston, County Clerk