

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

AUGUST 29, 2011

AFTER proper posting of public notice, a copy of which is attached hereto, on this the 29th 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 #357/11: County Judge Jon Burrows called to the Courts attention that the minutes of August 22, 2011, 9:00 a.m. regular session had been received. After due discussion, these minutes were accepted as presented.

Agenda #2 - County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #358/11: No action taken.

Agenda #3 - Personnel

MINUTE ORDER #359/11: 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 – Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

MINUTE ORDER #360/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented for discussion the status of the Order Restricting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban) issued on July 25, 2011, and set to expire on August 29, 2011. After due discussion, upon motion by Commissioner Tim Brown, second by Commissioner Richard Cortese, the Court unanimously approved a new order effective August 29, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. through September 26, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. A copy of said Order is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #5 – FY 2011-2012 Budget

MINUTE ORDER #361/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, the Court unanimously approved and adopted the FY 2011-2012 Budget.

Agenda #6 – FY 2011 – 2012 Tax Rates

MINUTE ORDER #362/11: After notice and hearing, the following motion was offered by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**:

“I move that property taxes be increased by the adoption of a tax rate per \$100 valuation for Bell County of \$0.4096 (which is comprised of \$0.3155 for Maintenance and Operations and \$0.0941 for Debt Service) and Bell County Road District of \$0.0299 for a total tax rate for the 2011-2012 Fiscal Year of \$0.4395, which is effectively a 6.674757 percent increase in the tax rate.”

After due discussion, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #7 — Ratification Under Section 111.039(c) of the Local Government Code

MINUTE ORDER #363/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court pursuant to Section 111.039(c) of the Local Government Code unanimously ratified the property tax increase reflected in the budget.

Agenda #8 – Greater Killeen Free Clinic Memorandum of Understanding

MINUTE ORDER #364/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, the Court unanimously approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the Greater Killeen Free Clinic (GKFC) and Bell County regarding access to bell County’s Voice Over IP System for phone service and access to the internet through the Bell County Public Internet Zone.

Agenda #9 – County Indigent Health Care Program Report

MINUTE ORDER #365/11: Rita Kelly, Director of Indigent Health Care presented for approval a report on the County Indigent Health Care Program for the period September 1, 2010 – August 31, 2011 (CIHCP Fiscal Year 2011). After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved this report. A copy of said report is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #10 –Indigent Health Care Continued Administration

MINUTE ORDER #366/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved the continued administration of the County Indigent Health Care Program (CIHCP) according to policies described in the County Indigent Health Care Program Handbook of the Texas Department of State Health Services.

Agenda # 11 –Optional Services – County Indigent Health Care Program (CIHCP)

MINUTE ORDER #367/11: **County Judge Jon Burrows** presented for approval the inclusion of Optional CIHCP existing services during the State of Texas FY 2012. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved this matter. A copy of said contract is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda # 12 – Redistricting Plan for Justice of the Peace and Constable Precincts

MINUTE ORDER #368/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved the Resolution adopting the Justice of the Peace and Constable Precincts portion of a plan of Redistricting and directing its submission to the Department of Justice for approval . A copy of said Resolution is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda # 13– Change Order Number One – Animal Shelter Facility

MINUTE ORDER #369/11: **County Judge Jon Burrows** presented for approval change order number one to the site work contract with Corporate Facilities Management to include gas line, water supply line, sewer lines and connection, two each fur separator tanks, electrical service and ditch and conduit work to support fiber installation at the animal shelter at a cost of \$190,337.00. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #14-Claims

MINUTE ORDER #370/11: **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:

Jon H. Burrows, County Judge

Shelley Coston, County Clerk