

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF

BELL COUNTY, TEXAS

NOVEMBER 7, 2011

AFTER proper posting of public notice, a copy of which is attached hereto, on this the 7TH day of November, 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 – Moment of Silence

MINUTE ORDER # 490/11: County Judge Jon Burrows called for a Moment of Silence in memory and in honor of former District Attorney Cappy Eads, who passed away on November 1, 2011. He had served as County Attorney from 1975 – 1976 and District Attorney from 1976 – 2000.

Agenda #2 - Minutes

MINUTE ORDER #491/11: County Judge Jon Burrows called to the Courts attention that the minutes of October 31, 2011, 9:00 a.m. regular session had been received. After due discussion, these minutes were approved as presented.

Agenda #3a -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #492/11: County Engineer Bryan Neaves presented awarding bids for the following materials: 1) Aggregate Grade 4, Bid#22-11 to Knife River Company and Killeen Crushed Stone. After due discussion upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved the recommendation. 2) Reinforcing Steel, Bid #233.11 to CMC Alamo Steel upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, and unanimously approved by the Court;. and 3) Base, Bid #24-11 to Lhoist NA/Franklin Matl of Nolanville upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange** and unanimously approved by the Court.

Agenda #3b -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #493/11: County Engineer Bryan Neaves presented for approval authorizing the County Engineer to reject previously received bids and advertise for new bids on Grade 5 Aggregate. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #3c -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #494/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court unanimously approved an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Belton for Seal Coating. A copy of said Agreement is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #3d -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #495/11: County Engineer Bryan Neaves presented for approval a policy as amended for procedures to evaluate and manage retro-reflectivity of signs on county roads. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #3e -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #496/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved the 2011 Annual Report to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the Bell County Phase II MS4 Program. A copy of said report is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda #4 - Personnel

MINUTE ORDER #497/11: Upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court approved all employee status report forms, the same being attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Agenda #5 – Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

MINUTE ORDER #498/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented for discussion the status of the Order Restricting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban) issued on October 24, 2011 and set to expire on November 21, 2011. After due discussion, the Court took no action on this matter.

Agenda #6 – Emergency Alert System Nationwide Test

MINUTE ORDER #499/11: Emergency Management Coordinator Dennis Baker provided an update on the first Nationwide Test of the Emergency Alert System to occur on November 9, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. CST and last about three minutes. No action taken by the Court.

Agenda # 7 –Amended Order of Appointment for Election Judges and Alternates

MINUTE ORDER #500/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved the Amended Order of Appointment for Election Judges and Alternates for a two-year term beginning September 1, 2011. A copy of said order is attached hereto and made part of these minutes

Agenda #8 – Awarding Bids for Vehicles

MINUTE ORDER #501/11: Russell Williams presented the matter of awarding bids for vehicles and, if applicable, considering a local preference under Section 271.905 of the Local Government Code upon determination that the local bidder offers the best combination of contract price and additional economical development (including employment of local residents and increased local tax revenues) on the following vehicles: A. Bid #25-11 for two patrol cars for the Sheriff's Office. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, the Court unanimously approved awarding this bid to Caldwell Country Chevrolet. B. Bid #26-11 for One 1-Ton Crew Cab Pickup for the Road & Bridge Department. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously awarded the bid to Johnson Brothers Ford. C. Bid #27-11 for One Cargo Van for the Building & Grounds Department. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously awarded the bid to Johnson Brothers Ford.

Agenda #9 –Lawn Care Service Bids

MINUTE ORDER #502/11: **County Judge Jon Burrows** presented for approval rejecting the Lawn Care Service bids of October 31, 2011 due to the need to clarify bid response requirements and authorizing the County Auditor to advertise for re-bids for Lawn Care Services. After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, the Court unanimously approved this matter.

Agenda #10 –Change Order Number 002 – Animal Shelter

MINUTE ORDER #503/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner Richard Cortese**, second by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, the Court unanimously approved Change Order Number 002 between Bell County and Corporate Facilities Management Services, LLC in the amount of \$28,945 for site work at the Animal Shelter to cover the addition of a City of Belton required back flow preventer on the fire main at the Animal Shelter.

(NOTE: Commissioner Richard Cortese left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.)

Agenda #11 – United Way Funding for Bell County HELP Center

MINUTE ORDER #504/11: After due discussion, upon motion by **Commissioner John Fisher**, second by **Commissioner Eddy Lange**, the Court unanimously approved authorizing the Bell County HELP Center to apply for United Way Funding for the Temple and Killeen HELP Centers.

Agenda #12– Claims

MINUTE ORDER #505/11: **County Judge Jon Burrows** presented the claims for review to the Court. After proper review, upon motion by **Commissioner Tim Brown**, second by **Commissioner John Fisher**, the Court unanimously approved all such claims. All according to a copy of 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.

Jon Burrows, County Judge

Attest:

Shelley Coston, County Clerk