

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF

BELL COUNTY, TEXAS

DECEMBER 12, 2011

AFTER proper posting of public notice, a copy of which is attached hereto, on this the 12TH day of December, 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 #551/11: County Judge Jon Burrows called to the Courts attention that the minutes of December 5, 2011, 9:00 a.m. regular session had been received. After due discussion, these minutes were approved as presented.

Agenda #2 -- County Engineer

MINUTE ORDER #552/11: No action taken.

Agenda #3 - Personnel

MINUTE ORDER #553/11: 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 #4 – Hazardous Fire Conditions Determination

MINUTE ORDER #554/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented the matter of determining under Texas Local Government Code Section 352.051, Subsection C, whether conditions on rural acreage not under cultivation for a period of at least 12 months, are extremely hazardous for the danger of fire because of high grass or dry vegetation. Following a report from Fire Marshall Steve Casey, the Court took no action on this matter.

Agenda #5 – Prohibiting Sale, Use, Detonating, Ignition of Fireworks

MINUTE ORDER #555/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented the matter of determining if conditions on rural acreage were extremely hazardous, to consider an Order

prohibiting the sale, use, detonating, ignition, or other use of fireworks classified under 49 C.F.R., part 173.100 (r) (2) (10-1-86 edition), as “skyrockets with sticks” and “missiles with fins” in any portion of the unincorporated area of Bell County. Following a report from Fire Marshall Steve Casey, it was determined that no hazardous conditions exist at this time. No action taken by the Court.

Agenda #6 - Order Restricting Outdoor Burning

MINUTE ORDER #556/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented for discussion the status of an Order Restricting Outdoor Burning (Burn Ban). The Court took no action on this matter.

Agenda #7 –Equal Employment Opportunity Plan

MINUTE ORDER #557/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented for approval an updated Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) plan. After due discussion, upon motion by Commissioner John Fisher, second by Commissioner Tim Brown, the Court unanimously approved this matter. A copy of said plan is attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

Agenda # 8 –Technology Services Equipment Purchase

MINUTE ORDER #558/11: After due discussion, upon motion by Commissioner Tim Brown, second by Commissioner John Fisher, the Court unanimously approved the purchase of Technology Services equipment and infrastructure to support increased technology security, upgrade servers, and upgrade network components, including VOIP system, increased storage space, upgrade network security, and fiber backbone maintenance, to be funded from bond funds and insurance proceeds.

Agenda #9- Claims

MINUTE ORDER #559/11: County Judge Jon Burrows presented the claims for review to the Court. After proper review, upon motion by Commissioner Tim Brown, second by Commissioner Richard Cortese, 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