

STATE OF TEXAS

SEPTEMBER 8, 2003

COUNTY OF JOHNSON

COMMISSIONER'S COURT

BE IT KNOWN that on the 8th day of September, 2003, the Honorable Commissioner's Court of Johnson County, Texas, met in regular session at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m., with all members present, and following the Invocation led by Comm. John Matthews, and the Pledge of Allegiance, the following items, having been lawfully posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on September 4, 2003 at 8:46 a.m. and the Addendum filed on September 11, 2003 at 4:21 p.m., were considered:

IV. WELCOME VISITORS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATION

1. PROCLAMATION FOR A DAY TO REMEMBER: 9-11

Commissioner's Court proclaimed "A Day to Remember" on September 11, 2003.

2. PROCLAMATION FOR FAMILY DAY: "A DAY TO EAT DINNER WITH YOUR CHILDREN"

Commissioner's Court proclaimed Family Day: "A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children" on September 22, 2003.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

VI. PUBLIC HEARING

1. "PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TOTAL TAX REVENUES FY 2004"

A public hearing to increase total tax revenues

FY 2004 was open for discussion at 9:10 a.m. Comments against the increase were made by R.D. Curtis, Joseph Sirchia, Carol Crafton, Charles Sides and Ray Thomas. The hearing was closed at 9:30 a.m.

VII. PRECEDING BUSINESS

1. ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT

a. AUGUST 18, 2003 – SPECIAL

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Matthews, made a motion to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's Court for August 18, 2003 as presented to the Court by the County Clerk.

All voted aye; motion carried.

2. ACTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 111.010C OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE – SHERIFF FORFEITURE

Comm. Thompson, seconded by Comm. Carpenter, made a motion to approve budget amendments pursuant to *Section 111.010C* of the Local Government Code for the Sheriff's Office, Sheriff's Forfeiture Fund, Equipment (non-cap) line item #028-560-320 in the amount of \$3,000.00 in order to purchase radio equipment and Equipment (capitalized) line item #028-560-570 in the amount of \$7,000.00 in order to purchase a vehicle.

All voted aye; motion carried.

3. ACTION TO PAY BILLS

Comm. Carpenter, seconded by Comm. Thompson, made a

motion to pay the bills as present by the County Auditor with additional payments to Matt Wylie, Constable Precinct #1 in the amount of \$130.00 and a payment to Sandy Bradley, Purchasing Agent in the amount of \$231.00.

All voted aye; motion carried.

4. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE COUNTY AUDITORS REPORTS TO THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT

Commissioner's Court acknowledged receipt of the County Auditor's Reports.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. ACTION ON ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, SPECIFICATION, FINANCIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND CONTRACTS

- a. GUINN JUSTICE CENTER
- b. JOHNSON COUNTY CORRECTION REMODELING POD II
- c. JOHNSON COUNTY JAIL EXPANSION POD III
- d. ALVARADO COURTHOUSE REMODELING

Passed.

2. ACTION TO ENTER INTO A LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT WITH BROWN MCCARROLL L.L.P. FOR SERVICES RELATED TO MEDICAL, HOSPITAL AND INDIGENT HEALTH CARE

Comm. Thompson, seconded by Comm. McFall, made a motion to table this item.

All voted aye; motion carried.

3. ACTION TO APPROVE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ROAD REPAIRS WITH BURLESON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT – PRECINCT #2

Comm. Matthews made a motion to approve an Inter-local

Agreement between Precinct #2 and the Burleson Independent School District for road repairs in the amount of \$14,383.28.

Motion dies for lack of a second.

4. ACTION TO SCHEDULE AND ANNOUNCE MEETING TO VOTE AND ADOPT TAX RATE

Comm. Carpenter, seconded by Comm. McFall, made a motion to schedule a meeting to vote and adopt the tax rate for September 22, 2003.

All voted aye; motion carried.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. ACTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS/PROPOSALS

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Thompson, made a motion to advertise for proposals for the removal and construction of a bridge on CR 1126 and to advertise for an RFP for auctioneer services for the Sheriff's Auction.

All voted aye; motion carried.

2. ACTION TO SET OCTOBER 18, 2003 FOR SHERIFF'S AUCTION AND APPROVE CONTRACTION WITH WOOLEY AUCTIONEER

Passed.

3. ACTION TO SUBMIT A NOMINEE BY RESOLUTION FOR THE ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT OF JOHNSON COUNTY

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Carpenter, made a motion to approve a Resolution to appoint Comm. Troy Thompson as a nominee to the Board of Directors for the Central Appraisal District of Johnson County.

All voted aye; motion carried.

4. ACTION TO ADOPT NEW REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR TRAVEL FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Comm. Matthews, seconded by Comm. Thompson, made a motion to adopt the following as new reimbursement rates for travel for county employees: mileage, \$0.35 per mile, meals, \$31.00 per day at \$8.00 for the morning meal, \$10.00 for the noon meal and \$13.00 for the evening meal effective October 1, 2003.

All voted aye; motion carried.

5. ACTION TO APPROVE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT FOR ROAD REPAIRS WITH THE CITY OF GRANDVIEW – PRECINCT #4

Comm. Thompson, seconded by Comm. McFall, made a motion to approve an Inter-local Agreement between Precinct #4 and the City of Grandview for road repairs for labor only in the amount of \$8,400.00.

All voted aye; motion carried.

6. ACTION ON RE-OCCURRING EXPENSE FOR CELL PHONE FOR H.D. PETERS, BUILDING MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR – PUBLIC WORKS

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Thompson, made a motion to approve the re-occurring expense for a cell phone for H.D. Peters, Building Maintenance Supervisor in Public Works.

All voted aye; motion carried.

7. ACTION TO APPROVE TRANSFER OF MONEY TO THE JOHNSON COUNTY 150th SESQUICENTENNIAL PROJECT

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Carpenter, made a

motion to approve the transfer of \$5,000.00 to an escrow account for the Johnson County 150th Sesquicentennial Project.

All voted aye; motion carried.

8. ACTION TO APPROVE INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BURLESON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR A.S.A.P. TRUANCY PROGRAM – CONSTABLE PRECINCT #2

Comm. Matthews, seconded by Comm. Carpenter, made a motion to approve an Inter-local Agreement between the Constable Precinct #2 and the Burleson Independent School District for the A.S.A.P. Truancy Program and to give the County Judge authorization to sign the agreement.

All voted aye; motion carried.

9. ACTION TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR ACCORDING TO TEXAS ELECTION CODE 31.031-039

Passed for further discussion in workshop session.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

Comm. Matthews, seconded by Comm. McFall, made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented to the Court.

All voted aye; motion carried.

Commissioner's Court recessed at 10:11 a.m. and reconvened at 10:35 a.m. to consider the following:

XI. WORKSHOP

Commissioner's Court met in workshop session at 10:37 a.m. to discuss the request made from the North Central Council of Governments Regional Aging Advisory for funding FY 2004 and the response from Meals on Wheels for

Johnson County. The Court reconvened into open session at 11:10 a.m. to consider the following:

XII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. ACTION ON ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN, SPECIFICATION, FINANCIAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS AND CONTRACTS
 - a. GUINN JUSTICE CENTER
 - b. JOHNSON COUNTY CORRECTION REMODELING POD II
 - c. JOHNSON COUNTY JAIL EXPANSION POD III
 - d. ALVARADO COURTHOUSE REMODELING

No action.

XII. WORKSHOP

Commissioner's Court met in workshop session at 11:35 a.m. to discuss the creation of the Office of Election Administrator according to the *Texas Election Code 31.031-.039*. The Court recessed at 11:55 a.m. and reconvened at 1:25 p.m.; with Comm. Matthews not present, for a presentation of the Omnibase Collection Program. Commissioner's Court recessed at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened into open session at 2:55 p.m. to consider the following:

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. ACTION TO REPLACE THE VENUS COMMUNITY CENTER WITH THE VENUS CITY HALL AS THE CONSOLIDATED VOTING LOCATION FOR PRECINCT #25 FOR THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2003, CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION

Comm. Thompson, seconded by Comm. Carpenter, made a

motion to replace the Venus Community Center with the Venus City Hall as the consolidated voting location for Precinct #25 for the September 13, 2003, Constitutional Amendment Election.

All voted aye; motion carried.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

9. ACTION TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR ACCORDING TO TEXAS ELECTION CODE 31.031-.039

Comm. McFall, seconded by Comm. Thompson, made a motion to create the Office of Election Administrator according to *Texas Election Code 31.031-.039* by combining the Election Budget and the Voter Registration Budget, but not assuming the duties of the Voter Registration Office until January 1, 2004 and to hire an Election Administrator after October 6, 2003 with a salary of \$37,000.00, classified as a Grade Level 19.

All voted aye; motion carried.

BE IN KNOWN that the Commissioner's Court met in Executive Session at 3:05 p.m. in accordance with Government Code *Sec. 551.074 – Personnel – Indigent Health*: Shannon Hinkle and Rachael Smithey. The Court reconvened into open session at 3:15 p.m. to consider the following:

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. GOVERNMENT CODE SEC. 551.074 – PERSONNEL

a. INDIGENT HEALTH

1. SHANNON HINKLE
2. RACHAEL SMITHEY

Comm. Carpenter, seconded by Comm. McFall,

made a motion to re-classify Shannon Hinkle to Administrative Assistant and to re-classify Rachael Smithey to Assistant Administrative Assistant in Indigent Health.

All voted aye; motion carried.

There being no further business before the Court concerning this agenda,
Commissioner's Court adjourned at 3:17 p.m. on the same date.

Submitted by: _____
Curtis H. Douglas
County Clerk

Approved by: _____
Roger Harmon
County Judge