

**JANUARY 13, 2020**

**WISE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING**

On this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, A.D., 2020 at 9:00 A.M. came on to be had a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Wise County, Texas held in the County Court at Law Court Room (3<sup>rd</sup>) Floor in County Courthouse of said County in the town of Decatur with the following members present and presiding:

J.D. Clark	County Judge
Danny White	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Kevin Burns	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Harry Lamance	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Gaylord Kennedy	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Sherry Lemon, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court when and where the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

All attachments referred to in the minutes of the Wise County Commissioners' Court are designated original or copy and are provided at the time of action by the Court unless otherwise indicated by provider.

County Judge Clark votes aye on all agenda items unless otherwise indicated.

- 1) Clark called the court to order at 9:00 AM. All court members were present.
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Moment of Silence
- 4) Community Forum:

Wise County resident Topp Robertson appeared before the court thanking the court for precinct work maintaining roads, road signs, ditches and trees. Robertson expressed concern about illegal signage in the county right-of-way and discussed possible solutions for enforcement of sign removal.

- 5) Correspondence:

Clark reminded the court of the Veterans Court kickoff today in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor jury room from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

Clark presented two thank you notes from Wise Hope for county contributions to funding Wise Hope Shelter.

- 6) Precinct Cooperation/Coordination: None

7) Plats:

Motion made by White seconded by Burns and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the following plats, as presented, including letters of conformance from Development Services and/or Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

- Catlett Creek Estates III, Block 1, Lots 1 and 2, Final Plat located in Precinct No. 1 granting a variance on a drainage study. (See attachment)
- Estates of Bison Creek, Lots 1-11, Block 1, Maintenance Period Acceptance located in Precinct No. 1, as presented. (See attachment)
- Spring Creek Farms, Phase II, 28 Lots, Maintenance Period Acceptance located in Precinct No. 3, as presented. (See attachment)
- Breceda Addition, Lots 1-2, Block 1, located in Precinct No. 4, as presented, granting variances for drainage study and ingress/egress footage on entrance. (See attachment)

8) Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Western Surety Company Official Bond and Oath No. 68918842 for County Auditor, Ann McCuiston, as presented. (Original Bonds and Oaths are filed in the County Clerk's Office by Sherry Lemon, County Clerk.)

9) Motion made by White seconded by Burns and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Western Surety Company Official Bond and Oath Continuation Certificate for Bond No. 71626388 for Elections Administrator Sabra Srader, as presented. (Original Bonds and Oaths are filed in the County Clerk's Office by Sherry Lemon, County Clerk.)

10) Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Western Surety Company Official Bond and Oath Continuation Certificate for Bond No. 71608409 for Projects Manager Glenn Hughes, as presented. (Original Bonds and Oaths are filed in the County Clerk's Office by Sherry Lemon, County Clerk.)

11) Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Western Surety Company Official Bond and Oath Continuation Certificate for Bond No. 15103136 for County Engineer Chad Davis, as presented. (Original Bonds and Oaths are filed in the County Clerk's Office by Sherry Lemon, County Clerk.)

12) The court discussed the fact that County Tax Assessor/Collector Monte Shaw has a county bond and a state bond. Commissioners Court Attorney Thomas Aaberg stated that the county pays on Shaw's state bond annually but only receives the bond document every four years. Aaberg commented that this bond document is almost like a receipt for payment on the state bond.

Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the Western Surety Company Official Bond and Oath No. 68916011 (being the state bond

document) for Wise County Tax Assessor/Collector Monte Shaw. (No bond document provided for filing with the County Clerk.)

13) Motion made by White seconded by Burns and unanimously adopted by the Court to reappoint Jeff Doughty as the Wise County Fire Marshal for a two years term beginning February 1, 2020. (No attachment)

14) Donations:

Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to accept the following donations with the court's thanks:

- \$75.00 from Gordon and Sue Khune to the Animal Shelter in remembrance of Greta Massey.
  - \$500.00 - Texas Impound for Santa's Cops
  - \$500.00 - All American Towing and Recovery for Santa's Cops
  - \$500.00 - Terry Hand for Santa's Cops
  - \$200.00 - Hawkins Funeral Home for Santa's Cops
  - \$30.00 - Dick Wood for Santa's Cops
  - \$100 gift card - Sweetie Pie's to feed WCSO Employees
  - Bulk Ammunition - Decatur Wal-Mart for WCSO
  - Bulk Ammunition - NRH Wal-Mart - WCSO
- (See attached list)

15) Bids:

Motion made by Burns seconded by Kennedy and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the capital asset transfer of two (2) 2013 Chevrolet Tahoes from the District Attorney's Office (1) and County Attorney's Office (1) to the Wise County Sheriff's Office with all equipment. (No attachment)

Motion made by Burns seconded by Kennedy and unanimously adopted by the Court to award Bid No. 20-BID-018 for the purchase of one or more One to Two ton diesel truck to Jim Bass Ford for \$49,758.00/each for Precincts No. 1 and 2. (See attachment)

Motion made by White seconded by Burns and unanimously adopted by the Court to authorize Asset Control Officer Diana Allen to advertise for bids for ventilators for Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director Randall Preuninger stated that they are looking for ventilators with pediatric settings. Clark stated Emergency Medical Services (EMS) capital funds are available. (No attachment)

16) Consent Agenda:

- a) Minutes (No attachments)
  - November 12, 2019 Regular Meeting
  - November 13, 2019 Special Meeting to canvass November 5, 2019 Constitutional Amendment Election
  - November 19, 2019 Development Rules and Regulations Committee Meeting
  - December 9, 2019 Regular Meeting
  
- b) Department Head Reports:
  - Auditor Report December 2019 (See attachment)
  - County Clerk monthly activity report December 2019 (See attachment)
  - Treasurer's Report November 2019 (See attachment)
  - Asset Control quarterly audit report October 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 (See attachment)
  - Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts FY2020 Travel Reimbursement Rates (See attachment)
  
- c) Budget Amendments:
  - FY20-03 for various line item transfers (No attachment)
  
- d) Capital Expenditures: None
  
- e) Claims and Payroll: Registers presented in Dropbox (No attachments)
  
- f) Utility Requests: None
  
- g) Interlocal Agreements/Contracts:  
(Original Interlocal Agreements and Contracts are filed in the Asset Control Office by Diana Allen.)
  - Cancellations: Lexisnexis Accurint JP2 (See attached list)
  - Renewals: Novacopy Commissary Copier (See attached list)
  - Fully Executed: (See attached list)
    - City of Chico Library (See attachment)
    - Sheriff's Association of Texas – Interlocal Purchasing Agreement (See attachment)
    - Lubbock County Public Defender (See attachment)
    - NTXCIU MOU Federal Equitable Sharing (See attachment)

Clark commented that the outside audit of the Tax Assessor/Collector Monte Shaw's office went well and was implemented due to all tax revenue being collected by Shaw's office.

White told the court and Shaw that several people have contacted him asking about the presence of a Sheriff's Office vehicle at the Tax Assessor's office. Akin briefly touched on this. Clark stated this will be discussed under the security audit in closed session.

Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve all items listed under the consent agenda item, as presented, including any changes.

17) Project Agreements for Road Repair: None

18) Right-of-Way Improvement Requests:

Motion made by Lamance seconded by Burns and unanimously adopted by the Court to approve the right-of-way improvement request from Randy and Amy Vincent (1004 CR 4764) in Precinct No. 3 to pull the posts; blade brush and trees; and, replace posts in order to create a corner at that locations. (No attachment)

19) Burn Ban: None

20) Committee Reports:

Clark informed the court that he is going to create an informal committee as a public information project for the census. Clark stated Census Day is April 1, 2020. Clark stated he wants to get a cross-section of the community (cities; schools; faith communities; WARM; United Way; AgriLife; political parties; county departments; hospital; all libraries; and, newspapers) to help get information out about completing the U.S. Census by the April 1, 2020 deadline. Clark discussed the fact that the census deadline effects federal funding and redistricting data.

21) Motion made by Burns seconded by White and unanimously adopted by the Court to close regular session at 9:22 AM and convene in Executive Session pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 551.076 to discuss a security audit.

22) Court exited Executive Session at 10:08 AM and reconvened in regular session.

***Back to agenda item 15: Discuss and consider construction, initiation and/or approval of: (i) specification pursuant to advertising for bids on one or several different items and/or services for purchase (or sale of items); (ii) purchase of specific items; (iii) consider awarding of bids; and (iv) consider giving notice of cancellation(s) as/if necessary. Take necessary action.***

Motion made by Burns seconded by Kennedy and unanimously adopted by the Court to authorize Asset Control Officer Diana Allen to advertise for bids for radio system improvements with the Systems Administration department to develop the parameters.

23) Clark announced the next county holiday as Monday, January 20, 2020 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day).

24) Clark announced the next meeting as Monday, January 27, 2020.

25) Clark adjourned the meeting at 10:09 AM there being no further business to be had by the court.

Minutes approved this 27th day of January, 2020, as printed.

J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County

Danny White  
Danny White, Commr. Pct. No. 1

Kevin Burns  
Kevin Burns, Commr. Pct. No. 2

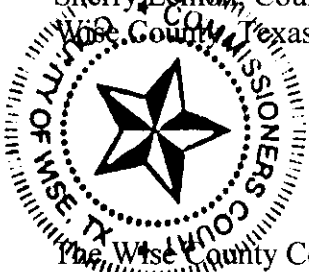
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ATTEST:

Sherry Lemon

Sherry Lemon, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court,  
Wise County, Texas.



The Wise County Commissioners' Court adopted revised *Rules of Procedures, Conduct & Decorum at Meetings of Wise County Commissioners' Court* on March 25, 2019.