

COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR SESSION

FEBRUARY 22, 2010

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The Hunt County Commissioner's Court met this day at 10:00 A.M. with all Commissioners' present, with Judge John Horn presiding. County Clerk-Linda Brooks and County Auditor-Jimmy Hamilton were present.

**11,433** On the motion by Larry Middlebrooks, second by Jim Latham, the Court approved the minutes from the meeting held February 8, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS:

**11,434** On the motion by Latham, second by Kenneth Thornton, the Court approved acceptance of the 2010 Plans of Work for the Hunt County Extension Agents. The Leadership Advisory Board Members of the Agri-Life Extension Department present were Jimmy Dickey, Mike Kubachak and Commissioner Latham, presenting the Court with their Executive Summary Report. *See Attachment.* (Large volume on file in the County Clerk's Office.)

**11,435** On the motion by Middlebrooks, second by Ralph Green, the Court approved the Quarterly Report for the Utilization of County Funds for Substance Abuse Services in Hunt County from September 2009 through November 2009 through Lakes Regional MHMR, presented by Director-John Delaney. *See Attachment.*

**11,436** On the motion by Green, second by Thornton, the Court approved the Proclamation declaring March 14<sup>th</sup> through March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010, as "Poison Prevention Week" in Hunt County. *See Attachment.*

**11,437** On the motion by Green, second by Middlebrooks, the Court approved the Proclamation declaring February 21<sup>st</sup> through 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 as "Severe Weather Awareness Week" in Hunt County. Commissioner Latham advised the Court he has taken this course and it is very informative. *See Attachment.*

**11,438** On the motion by Latham, second by Middlebrooks, the Court approved the 2009 Racial Profiling Report for the Hunt County Sheriff's Office, presented by Sheriff Meeks.

**11,439** On the motion by Green, second by Thornton, the Court approved removing PR 2305

off of CR 2300, Pct 2, from the Hunt County Map. This is at the request of the owner of the property (ID# 52326) of which this road is located. The road is a driveway to a single dwelling; multiple families do not reside on this road. Commissioner Green stated he approves of this removal, due to not being contingent to any other road.

**11,440** On the motion by Green, second by Middlebrooks, the Court approved action to temporarily close a portion of CR 2452 (approximately ½ mile) in Pct 2. Commissioner Green advised the Court, this road is hard surfaced on both ends, but in the middle is a low area that is dirt, which causes drainage problems. The culverts in this area have washed out and collapse. This has become a place where people ride 4-wheelers. This section of road is a problem due to GPS systems having this road listed and they send people through this road. The public gets stuck in the mud, causing them to call wrecking services to get them out. Therefore, I am officially requesting we temporarily close this section of road. We have put up barricades, then throughout the night the barricades are torn down or cut. At some point in time, the Court could re-open the road. Sometime in the future, possibly July or August, we can replace the culverts and road would have to be rocked and made an all weather road, which will be very expensive. This road is not necessary for any through traffic; there is a house at each end of this road. In the future, if this neighborhood wanted this road opened and if the Commissioner wanted to spend approximately \$30,000.00 to fix this portion of this road, the Court could re-open this road. We have attempted to keep “road closed” signs up, but they disappear. Commissioner Green stated whatever details to be worked out, we need can get with 911 to get the address changed on one end of this road; I just need back up from the Commissioner’s Court to temporarily close this portion of the road. Judge Horn directed Jackie Ray-GIS Analyst to contact all Emergency responders.

**11,441** On the motion by Green, second by Thornton, the Court approved the corrected Final Plat for Mallard Creek Estates, Phase 1, in Pct 2. Commissioner Green stated this is a plat we approved over a year ago; a lot was sold in this subdivision, Stovall & Associates were contacted for a title policy, and in that discussion comments were made by Stovall on the verbiage on this plat. I don’t know how it passed in the condition it was in, but it did. Last week there was a meeting with Commissioner Green, Bobby Stovall and the developer where everything was worked out. Therefore, Stovall & Associates has checked off on this plat, stating everything looks good. Item passed on unanimous vote of the Court.

**11,442** On the motion by Middlebrooks, second by Latham, the Court approved award for road boring services contract on an access road in the Campbell area off of I-30 for replacement of water line for the TxCDBG STEP Contract # 729006 for Shady Grove W.S.C.. Charles Edwards, Resource Management & Consulting advised the Court, 3 bids were received (1 bid was disallowed from Hayter Engineering), we recommend award to Granbury Contracting Utilities in the amount of \$49,190.00. Jimmy Hamilton-County Auditor asks why (1) bid was disallowed. Mr. Edwards responded, one portion of the grant Hayter Engineering did not bid on the 4" horizontal drills. Therefore, request was made by Mr. Hamilton to e-mail explanation that would be passed onto Carl Nicholl-Purchasing Agent.

\_\_\_\_\_”Discuss and possibly take action on approval of Hunt County’s sponsorship of Shady Grove W.S.C. for a 2011-2012 TxCDBG grant application-Charles Edwards of Resource Management & Consulting.” Mr. Edwards advised the Court, this program is offered and is separate from the step project, which is a volunteerism project and is the match on that project. The regular CDBG program is offered on a bi-annual cycle every two years. The Shady Grove W.S.C. wants to be able to apply for that program. The grant has to be sponsored by either the City or the County. Therefore, this is their request before you today. They have some ideas in mind, but there is a lot of information gathering to be done and culminating; therefore, prior to doing all of this work they would like to know they have the County’s sponsorship on this. Judge Horn noted, in the past, it authorized me to sign off on behalf of the Commissioner’s Court endorsing the County’s sponsorship of any CDBG grants that they want to apply for in the future as an endorsement. Furthermore, any grant they apply for will still have to come before Commissioner’s Court for their approval. Each grant program is submitted and evaluated on a points rating system, based on the merits of the program. It’s possible to have 3-4 applicants to the program, but the County cannot submit more than one. If the State received more than one application from Hunt County, it would be disqualified. For the final process of this application, a Resolution will be sent for the Court’s approval. Therefore, the Court agreed no action will be taken on this item today.

**11,443** On the motion by Middlebrooks, second by Green, the Court approved award of Formal Bid # 037-09, Storm Water Drain Repairs, at the Hunt County Criminal Justice Center. Carl Nicholl-Purchasing Agent recommends award to the lowest/best bidder “We Build,” of the 3 bids received, which best conforms to the bid specifications going with Plan A (above ground),

with all necessary bonds, with the stipulations to address the flashing and pump capabilities. Mr. Nicholl stated we have received 2 Plans; Plan A which is above ground, and Plan B which is below ground. Jimmy Moore-Maintenance Supervisor recommends going with Plan A-above ground, due to the drawing showing the flashing going back into the flume. First of all, you have a visual of it, and second, it would be the least evasive method. Mr. Nicholl suggested stipulating, when we do the pre-construction walk through meeting with the county representatives, we could cover the flashing point with whatever Contractor we elected to go with, to confirm at that time that it would have to be flashed in a manner that would prevent the water from hitting this wall during a rain storm from migrating down that wall. Commissioner Middlebrooks agrees with the above ground method, but has concerns of how we control water if it gets more volume than the sump pump can handle, once the water gets down by the sally port drain. Jimmy Moore stated even if it did overflow that pump, we're still going to have the same thing we've got right now down to that large drain. If we get that big of a rain, we will be putting overflows out anyway. If it is expanded metal type for our overflows, it would go into the same flume and go down. Mr. Nicholl noted we would have to assume the engineering firm sized the pump and the sump properly to accommodate the size piping of the box carrying the water down. Additionally, once we award this contract, we could also ask the Contractor to not only address the flashing issue, but also to address the sizing of the sump pump before it is actually installed. They could determine if there is a larger size pump required in their professional opinion, then we could address that in the costs. "We Build" bid costs to the county is \$62,800.00 for Plan A-above ground, which includes their performance bond costs. Also, they offered to bond the payment bond to insure if something did happen during this project or after this project, if they did not pay their sub-contractor, the bonding company would pay. If the Court decides to add the payment bond on this, then you're going to have to add that amount back on the actual bid itself. All the firms bidding have the proper liability insurance, contractor's insurance, workman's comp insurance, all of which are current and enforce. Each firm has turned in references; I will say "We Build" out of Paris, Texas has the best references as far as working with governmental entities, of the 3 bidders that did respond. This firm has a completion time of 60 actual working days, not calendar days. Commissioner Thornton stated he would like to see a flashing above this concrete trough cut into that wall making sure that no water could come down the wall and ever get below that trough. Also, we need a detailed

drawing of the flashing. Mr. Nicholl specified once this project is accepted by Jimmy Moore, it will come back to the Court for final acceptance prior to payment, before the Auditor will release payments, the Court will have to accept this project. In a construction project like this, it is likely there will be change orders. We can either require those change orders to come back to Court for their approval or we can authorize Maintenance Supervisor, Purchasing Agent, County Auditor or a Commissioner could deal with change orders.

Judge Horn’s initial reaction would be any and all change orders would come before Commissioner’s Court for their approval. Mr. Nicholl advised the Court, the bid bond will cost the County \$1,575.00, which the Court agreed is cheap insurance. County Civil Attorney-Daniel Ray agreed it would be best to pay the \$1,575.00. Commissioner Green requested Maintenance Supervisor-Jimmy Moore to have the discretion to approve any change order additions up to and not exceeding \$2,500.00. Judge Horn stated all change orders over this amount will come back to Commissioner’s Court for their approval, with full bonding requirements. Item approved on unanimous vote of the Court.

**HEAR AND DISCUSS:**

**11,444** On the motion by Latham, second by Middlebrooks, the Court approved accounts payable.

**11,445** On the motion by Green, second by Middlebrooks, the Court approved line-item budget transfers.

**PERSONNEL AND PAYROLL:**

<u>JUVENILE DETENTION</u>	Add Chase Horn, Detention Officer, at \$23,516.00. Effective 2-10-10.  Add Paula Timmons, Detention Officer, at \$23,516.00. Effective 2-10-10.  Add Ricky Boyd, Detention Officer, at \$23,516.00. Effective 2-10-10.
<u>JUVENILE PROBATION</u>	Raise Janet Moss, Juvenile Probation Officer, raise to \$32,850.00 due to certification. Effective 2-8-10.  Raise Reggie Washington, Probation Officer, raise to \$33,000.00 due to certification. Effective 2-8-10.
<u>HUNT COUNTY JAIL</u>	Terminate Laurie Stafford, Detention Officer. Effective 2-17-10.

	<p>Add David Wallace JR., Detention Officer, G-4 at \$25,941.24. Effective 2-21-10.</p> <p>Remove Stephen King, Jailer, due to his resignation. Effective 2-15-10.</p>
<p><u>SHERIFF’S OFFICE</u></p>	<p>Transferred Billy Miller, from Jail to Courthouse Security at \$32,801.08. Effective 2-10-10.</p> <p>Transferred Jeremy Case, from Dispatch to Courthouse Security at \$32,801.08. Effective 2-10-10.</p> <p>Transferred Stacy Green, Courthouse Security to Patrol Deputy at \$32,801.08. Effective 2-10-10.</p> <p>Remove Sabrina Key, due to her resignation. Effective 2-17-10.</p> <p>Add Candice Tjaden, Communications Operator, at \$22,370.00. Effective 2-25-10.</p> <p>Terminate Jason Ramsey, Patrol Deputy Effective 2-8-10.</p>

11,446 On the motion by Middlebrooks, second by Latham, the Court approved personnel and payroll changes.

11,447 On the motion by Latham, second by Middlebrooks, the Court Adjourned.

\_\_\_\_\_Minutes approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

Attest:

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Hunt County Clerk

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Hunt County Judge