

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

FILED FOR RECORD  
CINDY POLLEY  
ELLIS COUNTY CLERK

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Monday, March 10, 2014, 10:00 A.M., in the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom (2<sup>nd</sup> flr), 101 W. Main Street, Waxahachie, Texas** at which time the following will be discussed and considered, to-wit:

**County Judge:** Carol Bush

**County Clerk:** Cindy Polley

**Commissioners:**

- Dennis Robinson, Commissioner, Pct. 1
- Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct. 2
- Paul Perry, Commissioner, Pct. 3
- Ron Brown, Commissioner, Pct. 4

**Assistant County Attorneys:**

- Ann Montgomery-Moran
- Lee Auvenshine

**OPENING COURT**

County Judge will call meeting to order, declare quorum if present, and declare notices legally posted pursuant to Open Meetings Act.

Motion to Open Court.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Bill Dodson

**PUBLIC COMMENT\* - Members of the public will have the opportunity to make their comments at the time the agenda item is being addressed.**

**CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and Action:**

**Administrative:**

- A1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll, and Officers' Reports
- A2 To approve hiring of seasonal worker(s) from March 17, 2014 through September 13, 2014 at salary rate of \$10.50/hour for Road and Bridge, Pct. 2 – *Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct. 2*
- A3 Approval to reappoint Janis Burdett to the North Texas Behavioral Health Authority Board of Directors with the term ending January 31, 2016. – *Carol Bush, County Judge*

**Financial:**

- F1 **From** 004-0652-40004 RB2 Sale of Material \$875.00, 010-0653-40928 FM2 Auction Proceeds \$10,396.12 **To** 004-0652-50701 RB2 Utilities \$875.00, 010-0653-50802 FM2 Purchase of Equipment \$10,396.12. – *Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct. 2*
- F2 **From** 009-0602-30302 FM1 Fund Balance \$60,000.00 **To** 009-0602-50802 FM1 Purchase of Equipment \$60,000.00. –*Dennis Robinson, Commissioner, Pct. 1*

- F3 **From** 001-0430-50806 Official Bond/Dues \$2,200.00 **To** 001-0430-50809 Auto Repairs \$1,500.00, 001.0430.50810 Auto Tires \$700.00. – *Joe Stewart, Emergency Management*
- F4 **From** 001-0370-50804 Postage \$1,000.00 **To** 001-0370-50601 Travel Reimbursement \$1,000.00. – *John Bridges, Tax Assessor/Collector*

## **DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT**

### **Consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding the following matters:**

- 1.1 Grant a one-time variance from County of Ellis Rules, Regulations and Specifications for Subdivisions and Manufactured Home Parks as it relates to the road frontage requirement at the location of 3219 FM 813, Palmer, Texas, requested by Jeffrey Prowell. This property is located within the unincorporated area of Ellis County, specifically within Ellis County Road and Bridge Pct. 1.
- 1.2 Close, abandon, vacate and discontinue an alleyway in Skyline Acres, Midlothian, Texas between lots 1-4, block 12 and portion of the reserved for business lots, requested by Marcus Hardin. This property is located within the unincorporated area of Ellis County, specifically within Ellis County Road and Bridge Pct. 4.
- 1.3 Close, abandon, vacate and discontinue an alleyway in Skyline Acres, Midlothian, Texas between lots 5-8, block 12 and portion of the reserved for business lots, requested by Marcus Hardin. This property is located within the unincorporated area of Ellis County, specifically within Ellis County Road and Bridge Pct. 4.

## **PURCHASING**

### **Consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding the following matters:**

- 2.1 To purchase from Holt Cat Financial, one (1) new Caterpillar Inc., model 924K QC Wheel Loader and Integrated Tool Carrier in the amount of \$129,699.00 for Road and Bridge Precinct 1.
- 2.2 To approve awarding RB-2014-004 annual contract for: Crushed limestone chip seal type D, grade 4, 1/2" rock and crushed limestone chip seal type D, grade 3, 5/8" rock. Contract length is March 14, 2014 through March 15, 2015, with one (1), one (1) year renewal option.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE**

### **Consideration and action as may be appropriate regarding the following matters:**

- 3.1 Briefing of March 4<sup>th</sup>'s primary election process. – *Bruce Sherbet, Elections Administrator*
- 3.2 Pursuant to Sections 502.011 and 372.111 of the Texas Transportation Code, to approve an interlocal agreement between Ellis County and the North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) to authorize the County Tax Assessor/Collector to refuse to register or renew the registration of a motor vehicle if he has received information from NTTA that the owner of the vehicle has been finally determined to be a habitual violator as defined within Section 372.106 of the Texas Transportation Code. – *John Bridges, Tax Assessor/Collector*

- 3.3 To proclaim the week of March 16-22, 2014 as Poison Prevention Week in Ellis County. – *Carol Bush, Ellis County Judge*
- 3.4 To purchase a K9 named Riko from Police Service Dogs, Inc., as a replacement for Jax who is being retired. Funding for the purchase will come from Sheriff's State Seizure funds. Purchase amount is \$11,500. – *Dennis Brearley, Ellis County Sheriff's Office*
- 3.5 Discuss Unit or other road system. – *Paul Perry, Commissioner, Pct. 3*
- 3.6 To authorize the Ellis County Fire Marshal's Office to apply for FEMA Fire Prevention & Safety Grant funding in the amount of \$110,600.00. If awarded, funding would be used to purchase a fire safety education trailer for use across the county. – *Joe Stewart, Fire Marshal/EMC*
- 3.7 To place a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria on the list of authorized vehicles that are allowed to display regular exempt plates and correct the vehicle identification number of a 1999 Chevy Silverado which is currently on the list. – *Chuck Laubach, Ellis County Sheriff's Office*

**RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

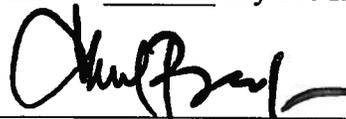
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Commissioners Court of Ellis County reserves the right to adjourn into **Executive Session** at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed in this agenda, in the order deemed appropriate, as authorized by Texas Government Code 551, or to seek the advice of its attorney and/or other attorneys representing Ellis County on any matter in which the duty of the attorney to the Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551 or as otherwise may be permitted under 551.

**ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Signed this the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.



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 Carol Bush  
 Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice, that I received said Notice, and it was posted at the doors of the Ellis County Courthouse, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014 at 1:47 ~~am~~/p.m.

Cindy Polley, County Clerk

By Aina Chambers, Deputy

- **\*Public Comment – This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must present a completed public participation form to the County Clerk at least 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.**
- **The Commissioners Court reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.**
- **If you or your representative, have a disability that requires special arrangements and you plan to attend this public meeting, please contact the County Judge's Office at (972) 825-5011 within 72 hours of the meeting. Reasonable accommodations will be made to meet your needs at the meeting.**