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**NOTICE OF MEETING
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

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CINDY POLLEY
ELLIS COUNTY CLERK

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners Court will be held on **Monday, August 11, 2014, 10:00 A.M., in the Historic Ellis County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom (2nd 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
Vance Hinds

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 Ron Brown

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 Approval to lower the employee paid portion of health insurance in the category of "employee+spouse+3 or more children" from \$698 a month to \$689 a month, a reduction of \$9 per month, and to raise the county contribution in this category by the aforementioned \$9.
- A3 Approval of the Official Minutes for July 14, 2014 and July28, 2014. – *Cindy Polley, County Clerk*

Financial:

- F1 **From** 010-0653-50912 FM2 Bridge Repair \$40,000.00 **To** 010-0653-50911 FM2 Gravel \$40,000.00. – *Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct 2*
- F2 **From** 001-0050-50809 Furniture/Fixtures \$250.00, 001-0050-50809 Auto Repair \$130.00 **To** 001-0050-50703 Telephone \$380.00. – *Mark Arnold, Extension*

- F3 **From** 001-0360-50805 DA-Conference \$2,000.00, 001-0360-40003 DA-Misc Revenue \$1,000.00 **To** 001-0360-50801 DA-Supplies \$1,500.00, 001-0360-50807 DA-Misc \$1,500. – *Patrick Wilson, County & District Attorney*
- F4 **From** 001-0370-50804 Postage \$1,100.00, 001-0370-50803 Furniture/Fixtures \$200.00, 001-0370-50806 Bond/Dues \$400.00 **To** 001-0370-50601 Travel \$800.00, 001-0370-50805 Conference \$900.00. – *John Bridges, Tax Office*
- F5 **From** 005-0703-50807 Misc \$2,500.00 **To** 005-0703-50907 Tires \$2,500.00. *Paul Perry, Commissioner, Pct. 3*
- F6 **From** 042-0942-30302 Federal Forfeiture Fund Balance \$7,243.18 **To** 042-0942-50807 General Expenses \$400.00, 042-0942-50802 Equipment \$6,843.18. – *Chuck Laubach, Ellis County Sheriff's Office*
- F7 **From** 012-0755-40008 Interlocal \$46,908.00 **To** 012-0755-50802 Purchase of Equipment \$46,908.00. – *Ron Brown, Commissioner, Pct. 4*
- F8 **From** 001-0360-50805 DA- Conference \$3,600.00, 001-0360-50601 DA-Travel \$1,000.00 **To** 001-0360-50801 DA- Supplies \$4,600.00. – *Patrick Wilson, County & District Attorney*
- F9 **From** 003-0601-30302 RB1 Fund Balance \$190,700.00, 009-0602-30302 FM1 Fund Balance \$70,000 **To** 003-0601-50805 RB1 Conference \$700.00, 003-0601-60915 RB1 Asphalt \$190,000, 009-0602-60909 FM1 Reparis/Parts \$20,000, 009-0602-50910 FM1 Fuel \$420,000, 009-0602-50911 FM1 Gravel \$30,000. –*Dennis Robinson, Commissioner, Pct.1*
- F10 **From** 003-0601-40659 Insurance Reimbursement \$15,534.56 **To** 003-0601-50909 Repairs/Parts \$15,534.56. - *Dennis Robinson, Commissioner, Pct.1*

Simplified Plat:

- SP1 To authorize County Judge to execute Performance Bond for public improvements within Springer Estates, requested by JHDMC, LLC, located in Road and Bridge Pct.4.

DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

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

- 1.1 To accept the completed infrastructure of Plainview Manor including Pergola Court West, Pergola Court East, Privet Court West, Privet Court East, and portions of Ledgestone Lane and Duvall Lane, located in Road and Bridge Pct. 4, requested by RVG Investments, LLC.
- 1.2 To release the performance bond #SUR6032305 to State Automobile Mutual Insurance Company in the amount of \$972,804.00 for the completed infrastructure of Plainview Manor, requested by RVG Investments, LLC, located in Road and Bridge Pct. 4.

PURCHASING

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

- 2.1 To approve the loan of rocks to Waxahachie Partnership Inc., a 501c3, to be used in conjunction with the Main Street program. The rocks will be picked up and returned by Waxahachie Partnership Inc. or designee.
- 2.2 The purchase of a DuraPatcher, model 125 DJTM, truck mount, and 2 year limited warranty. Buyboard contract mounted on 2008 International 4300, 160,000 miles, auto with air, 32000 GWV. Painting, shorting, and mounting included for Road and Bridge Precinct 4, in accordance with Local Government Code.

ADMINISTRATIVE

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

- 3.1 Proclamation recognizing the Ellis County Sheriff's Office Explorers for the achievement of receiving the Best in State trophy in the Texas State Explorer Competition.
- 3.2 Presentation of Presidential Volunteer Service Awards to members of the Ellis County Sheriff's Office Explorers.

RECESS REGULAR SESSION TO CONVENE TO PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing on the proposed increase of the following expenses of elected officials for Budget FY 2014-15, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §152.013:

378th District Judge, Joe Grubbs

-Proposed increase of \$213 to salary. Increase from \$10,672 to \$10,885

40th District Judge, Bob Carroll

-Proposed increase of \$213 to salary. Increase from \$10,672 to \$10,885

County Court at Law #1, Judge Jim Chapman

-Proposed increase of \$213 to salary. Increase from \$149,672 to \$149,885

County Court at Law #2, Judge Gene Calvert

-Proposed increase of \$213 to salary. Increase from \$149,672 to \$149,885

Justice of the Peace, Pct.1, Bill Woody

-Proposed increase of \$1,201 to salary. Increase from \$60,031 to \$61,232

Justice of the Peace, Pct.2, Jackie Miller, Jr.

-Proposed increase of \$1,201 to salary. Increase from \$60,031 to \$61,232

-Proposed increase of \$1,250 to conference expense. Increase from \$2,250 to \$3,500

Justice of the Peace, Pct. 3, Curtis Polk

-Proposed increase of \$1,201 to salary. Increase from \$60,031 to \$61,232

-Proposed increase of \$1,000 to travel expense. Increase from \$1,000 to \$2,000

Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4, Steve Eagan

-Proposed increase of \$1,201 to salary. Increase from \$60,031 to \$61,232

-Proposed increase of \$1,000 to conference expense. Increase from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

-Proposed increase of \$1,000 to travel expense. Increase from \$2,500 to \$3,500

Sheriff, Johnny Brown

-Proposed increase of \$1,643 to salary. Increase from \$82,127 to \$83,770

Constable, Pct. 1, Roy Callender, Jr.

-Proposed increase of \$1,089 to salary. Increase from \$54,436 to \$55,525

Constable, Pct.2, Terry Nay

-Proposed increase of \$1,089 to salary. Increase from \$54,436 to \$55,525

Constable, Pct. 3, Jimmy Ray

-Proposed increase of \$1,089 to salary. Increase from \$54,436 to \$55,525

Constable, Pct. 4, Mike Jones

-Proposed increase of \$1,089 to salary. Increase from \$54,436 to \$55,525

County Clerk, Cindy Polley

-Proposed increase of \$1320 to salary. Increase from \$66,008 to \$67,328

County District Clerk, Melanie Reed

-Proposed increase of \$1,320 to salary. Increase from \$66,008 to \$67,328

County Tax Assessor/Collector, John Bridges

-Proposed increase of \$1,320 to salary. Increase from \$66,008 to \$67,328

County Treasurer, Cheryl Chambers

-Proposed increase of \$1,320 to salary. Increase from \$66,008 to \$67,328.

-Proposed increase of \$1,100 to conference expense. Increase from \$2,500 to \$3,600

County and District Attorney, Patrick Wilson

-Proposed increase of \$213 to salary. Increase from \$10,672 to \$10,885

County Judge, Carol Bush

-Proposed increase of \$1,934 to salary. Increase from \$96,722 to \$98,656

Commissioner, Pct. 1, Dennis Robinson

-Proposed increase of \$1,506 to salary. Increase from \$75,276 to \$76,782.

Commissioner, Pct.2, Bill Dodson

-Proposed increase of \$1,506 to salary. Increase from \$75,276 to \$76,782.

Commissioner, Pct. 3, Paul Perry

- Proposed increase of \$1,506 to salary. Increase from \$75,276 to \$76,782.

Commissioner, Pct.4, Ron Brown

- Proposed increase of \$1,506 to salary. Increase from \$75,276 to \$76,782

ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

3.3 To approve the salaries, expenses and allowances of elected officials for Budget FY 2014-15, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §152.01.

3.4 Setting the date, time and location of the public hearing on the proposed budget for Budget FY 2014-15, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.007 , as follows:

Monday, August 25, 2014 at 3:00 P.M.
Ellis County Commissioners' Courtroom
101 W. Main St.
Waxahachie, TX 75165

3.5 Discuss the tax rate for Budget FY 2014-15 and take record vote to place the proposal to adopt the rate at a future meeting, pursuant to Texas Tax Code §26.05(d) to be held on the following:

Monday, September 8, 2014 at 10:00 A.M.
Ellis County Commissioners' Courtroom
101 W. Main St.
Waxahachie, TX 75165

3.6 Schedule two (2) public hearings to discuss the proposed tax rate for the Budget FY 2014-2015, and setting time and location of such public hearings, pursuant to §26.06 Texas Tax Code, as follows:

Monday, August 25, 2014, 3:00 P.M.
Ellis County Commissioners Courtroom
101 W. Main St.
Waxahachie, TX 75165

And

Monday, September 8, 2014, 10:00 A.M.
Ellis County Commissioners Courtroom
101 W. Main St.
Waxahachie, TX 75165

3.7 To enact a Burn Ban Order for Ellis County effective immediately. – *Joe Stewart, Fire Marshal/EMC*

RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

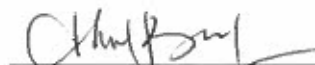
EXECUTIVE SESSION

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 8th day of August, 2014.



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 8th day of August, 2014 at 9:30 a.m./p.m.

Cindy Polley, County Clerk

By Jina 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.**