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COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES
June 14, 2011

On Tuesday, June 14, 2011 the Honorable Commissioners Court of Smith County, Texas, met for a regular meeting in the Smith County Commissioners Courtroom at the Smith County Courthouse Annex, 200 East Ferguson in the City of Tyler, Texas.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Joel P. Baker, County Judge, called the meeting to order with members present:

County Judge: Joel P. Baker	Presiding
Commissioner: Precinct 1 Jeff Warr	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 2 Cary Nix	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 3 Terry Phillips	Present
Commissioner: Precinct 4 JoAnn Hampton	Absent

II. INVOCATION

Harvy Tanner led the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF TEXAS

IV. PUBLIC HEARING - 9:30 a.m.

1. Receive public input regarding naming of Smith CR 1202 as Walker Road, Pct. 1. No public input.
2. Receive public input regarding naming of Smith CR 310 East & CR 310 West as VirLinda Stanton Lane East and VirLinda Stanton Lane West, Pct. 3. No public input.

V. OPEN SESSION

11. Capital Improvement Program

Commissioners Court discussed but took no other action on the Capital Improvement Program. No action.

VI . PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment: Sharon Emmert.
Public participation forms attached.

3. Renaming County Road 1202

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips to approve renaming of Smith County Road 1202 as Walker Road, Pct. 1.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

4. Renaming County Road 310 East & County Road 310 West

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve renaming of Smith CR 310 East and West to Stanton Lane East and West.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

5. Facilities Projects Update

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve the adoption of Reimbursement resolution for Criminal Justice and Jail Expansion Projects.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

6. Overview on Bond Sale

Commissioners Court received a presentation on bond sale process from Steven Adams and Paul Jason of Specialized Public Finance, Inc. Presentation attached.

7. Distant Lands Coffee

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to approve contracts for Management and Engineering Services pertaining to Texas Capital Fund grant program with Distant Lands Coffee.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

8. Order Prohibiting Certain Fireworks

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve Order Prohibiting Certain Fireworks (outside city limits) for the Fourth of July fireworks season and as needed.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

9. 2011 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to accept the 2011 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant Program Award.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

10. Lean Sigma Program

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve Leonardo Brown for the Lean Sigma Program.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

12. Veterans Service Department

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to approve Jeremy Nicodemus as Interim Office Manager in Veterans Service Department.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

13. Payment of Accounts

Motion made by Commissioner – Precinct 3 Terry Phillips and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 1 Jeff Warr to approve and/or ratify payment of accounts, bills, payroll, transfer of funds, and health claims. Copies attached.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

14. Report: Smith County Jail Inmate Status

\$17,615,384.00 spent this fiscal year housing inmates in other Counties

804 Total Populations, 652 Male, 152 Female

681 in Smith County Jail and 123 transferred to other Counties.

28 Federal Prisoners, 17 scheduled to TDC, 46 papers ready.

28 Parole violations and 50 Parole violations with other charges.

70 Total child support cases 38 non-payment of child support and

32 non-payment of child support with other charges.

Average stay for non-payment of child support: 53 days.

4 open jailer positions

Smith County Jail Population Summary attached. No action.

9. 2011 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program Award

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to accept the interlocal agreement between the City of Tyler and Smith County regarding the same.

Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

Commissioners Court recessed Open Session at 10:23 a.m. and went directly into Closed Session.

VII. CLOSED SESSION: To consult, receive, and seek advice from attorney pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code.

15. Discuss personnel matters, including but not limited to pending Employee requests related to Smith County Personnel Policy Manual and appeal of pending health claim filed with Personnel Department.

Commissioners Court recessed Closed Session at 10:45 a.m. and went directly into Open Session.

VIII. OPEN SESSION

16. Smith County Personnel Policy Manuel

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix to authorize the Personnel director to deny the appealed health claim.
Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

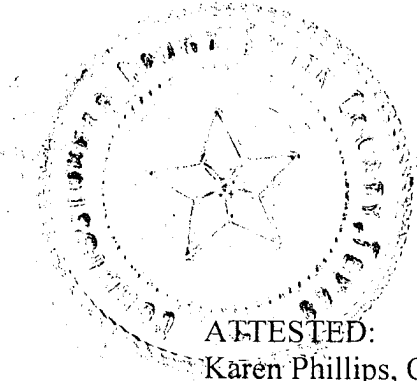
IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment at this time.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Judge Joel Baker and seconded by Commissioner – Precinct 2 Cary Nix that Commissioners Court adjourn.
Passed 4-0; Abstain: (None); Absent: Commissioner JoAnn Hampton.

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ATTESTED:
Karen Phillips, County Clerk
Smith County Texas

By: Nathaniel Fields
Nathaniel Fields, Deputy Clerk

Approved: J. B. [Signature]
Chairman Commissioners Court