

Agenda
Medina County Commissioners Court
1100 16th Street, Room 102
Hondo, Texas 78861
January 28, 2008
9:00 a.m.

1. Meeting called to order
2. Discuss and consider approval of January 14, 2008 minutes
3. Discuss and consider approval of certain budget amendments
4. Discuss and consider approval of certain line item transfers
5. Discuss and consider approval of certain weekly bills
6. Discuss and consider approval of certain personnel changes
7. Public Comment / Visitors

10:00AM
8. Presentation from Bertha Venegas and Karen O'Piela from NRCS; Resource Conservation Development
9. Discuss and consider Part-Time Court Bailiff (Sheriff Brown)
10. Discuss and consider Interlocal Agreement with Mico VFD for Sheriff Deputy office space (Sheriff Brown)
11. Discuss and consider Amendment to IHS data processing agreement (Debbie Keller, IHC Coordinator)
12. Discuss and consider opening a Citibank Business Card account (Cynthia Ivy, Treasurer)
13. Discuss and consider Medina County ESD No. 5 appointments
14. Discuss and consider the purchase of a dump truck for Precinct 2
15. Discuss and consider Burn Ban
16. Commissioners Court/ Court Members Announcements
17. Adjourn

NOTE: *Items will not necessarily be dealt with in the order that they are listed*

On this 25th day of January, 2008, not later than 9:00a.m., this notice was posted on a bulletin board located at the place readily accessible and convenient to the public at the Medina County Courthouse, Hondo, Texas.


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Ronald J. Ulbrich
Commissioner Precinct No. 1

James Barden
County Judge

Arturo Barrientes
Commissioner Precinct No. 3

Beverly Keller
Commissioner Precinct No. 2

Kelly Carroll
Commissioner Precinct No. 4

MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT
JANUARY 28, 2008
9:00 A.M.

ITEM #1
MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Commissioner Kelly Carroll called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and noted that all members were present. Judge Barden was out of town for this meeting.

Other officials/department heads in attendance for all or part of the meeting were County Treasurer Cindy Ivy, County Auditor Teresa Martinez, and Jennifer Adlong, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge, Sheriff Randy Brown was present as Bailiff.

ITEM #2
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF JANUARY 14, 2008 MINUTES

After review of the minutes, a motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Ulbrich to approve the December 17, 2007 minutes with corrections to Item #13 change "Joseph Peter" to "Joseph Peters" in the second paragraph and Item #17 add "by the inspectors from the Jail Commission" to the third sentence. Motion carried.

ITEM #3
BUDGET AMENDMENTS

There were no budget amendments presented to Court Members at today's meeting.

ITEM #4
LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS

There were no line-item transfers presented to Court Members at today's meeting.

ITEM #5
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CERTAIN WEEKLY BILLS

Court members reviewed the weekly bills as presented. After review, a motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Barrientes to approve the payment of all bills for payment with the exception of Ulbrich's True Value on Page 39. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Barrientes to approved payment of Ulbrich's True Value on Page 39. Motion carried. Commissioner Ulbrich abstained.

Mention was made that the court recognizes receipt and payment of bills from the District Attorney Forfeiture fund on page 40, Sheriff Forfeiture on page 41 and County Clerk Restitution Fund on page 37, but does not exercise authority of approval.

ITEM #6
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON GRANTING APPROVAL TO PERSONNEL
CHANGES

Court Members reviewed proposed personnel action forms as submitted by County Treasurer/Personnel Director Cindy Ivy. (See attachment)

After discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Ulbrich to grant approval to the personnel action forms as submitted. The motion carried.

ITEM #7
PUBLIC COMMENT / VISITORS

Richard Saathoff – Hondo
Elizabeth Craft – Anvil Herald
Harry Zenner – Mico
Dr. Bob Fitzgerald – MCEAA
Karen Opiela – Alamo RC&D
Dorothy Ahr – Mico

Mary Walpole – Quihi
Joe Manak – Quihi
Lillyan Zenner – Mico
Bobbie Lassiter – Leader News
Bertha T. Venegas – USDA-NRCS-Alamo RC&D
Patrick Ahr - Mico

ITEM #8
PRESENTATION FROM BERTHA VENEGAS AND KAREN OPIELA FROM NRCS; RESOURCE
CONSERVATION DEVELOPMENT

Ms. Venegas and Ms. Opiela with Alamo RC&D gave a review of what the RC&D offers to counties. The RC&D offers federal financial assistance for the 10 counties that lie under the Alamo area. The Board consists of elected officials and others on a volunteer basis. The RC&D offers Land and Water Conservation, Land Management, funding sources and strategic planning.

The RC&D has helped many other counties with projects including renovating and building of community centers, septic tank replacements, abandoned dump sites, hazardous waste collections and emergency watershed programs.

Medina County currently has a few projects in the works with NRCS for County Road erosion. The RC&D would like for Commissioners Court to appoint someone to the Council to represent Medina County. The Council meets every two months.

No action required.

ITEM #9
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PART-TIME COURT BAILIFF (SHERIFF BROWN)

The Courtroom at the Sheriff's Office holds court an average of ten days per month about eight hours per day. This causes a Deputy that is on patrol to be taken off and placed in the courtroom to serve as Bailiff. Child Support cases, District Court and County Court at Law hold hearings and court trials at the Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff has met with the County Auditor to work on the budget for courthouse security and there are enough funds to hire a part-time bailiff for the Sheriff's Office Courtroom. For the nine month period left for this budget year it will cost \$12,900.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ulbrich and second by Commissioner Keller to approve the part-time bailiff for the Sheriff's Office Courtroom. Motion carried.

ITEM #10
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH MICO VFD FOR SHERIFF
DEPUTY OFFICE SPACE (SHERIFF BROWN)

This item has been tabled.

ITEM #11
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AMENDMENT TO IHS DATA PROCESSING AGREEMENT
(DEBBIE KELLER, IHC COORDINATOR)

Court members reviewed the Amendment with Indigent Healthcare Solutions. Medina Community Hospital is interested in accessing the eligibility portion of the indigent healthcare program. There have been times that an indigent client needs service from the hospital and does not have their proof of being on the indigent program. This will give the hospital access to see if the client is on the program and what their dates of eligibility are. This will be the only access that the hospital will have to the program. (See attachment)

There will be no cost to the county for this access but the hospital will have a monthly fee. The monthly charge will be \$100.00 for up to one hundred inquires per month. Each additional inquiry will be \$1.50.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Ulbrich to approve the amendment to IHS Data Processing Agreement. Motion carried.

ITEM #12
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER OPENING A CITIBANK BUSINESS CARD ACCOUNT
(CYNTHIA IVY, TREASURER)

Currently there is an American Express Card Account that several departments have access to that is in the county's name. This card has temporarily been closed for invoice not being paid and finding which department they belong to.

The Treasurer and Auditor would like to look into other options in terms of a credit card. Citibank or the County's Depository Bank are possibilities for a county credit card.

This Item has been tabled until further information is gathered.

ITEM #13
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MEDINA COUNTY ESD NO. 5 APPOINTMENTS

June Halisak, ESD No. 5 Board of Directors President has submitted four names to replace the two members that are resigning. Kathy Ingram and Debbie Martin will not be able to serve on the board and the four people submitted for consideration are Butch Bujol, Elizabeth Cargile, Jason Gentry and Tiffany Rodriguez.

Ms. Halisak has spoke with each individual nominated and all four all will to serve on the board. There were a few issues about conflict of interest but, none were that serious.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keller and second by Commissioner Ulbrich to appoint Butch Bujol and Elisabeth Cargile to the Medina County ESD No. 5. Motion carried.

ITEM #14
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OF A DUMP TRUCK FOR PRECINCT 2

This item has been tabled.

ITEM #15
DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BURN BAN

The burn ban will expire on January 29, 2007. The County has not received much rain in the last 90-days and there have been many red flag days.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ulbrich and second by Commissioner Keller to approve a burn ban for 90-days. Motion carried. (See attachment)

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ITEM #16
COMMISSIONERS COURT /COURT MEMBERS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Keller announced that Medina County was not awarded the grant for Courthouse Renovation.

ITEM #17
ADJOURN

There being no further business to address, the Honorable Kelly Carroll, Commissioner Precinct 4, declared the meeting adjourned.