

**STATE OF TEXAS** §

**COUNTY OF HENDERSON** §

**BE IT REMEMBERED**, that the Commissioner's Court met in **Regular Session on September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, @ 9:00 A.M. with** the following members present, to-wit:

<b>Richard Sanders</b>	<b>County Judge</b>
<b>Scotty Thomas</b>	<b>Comm. Pct. # 1</b>
<b>Wade McKinney</b>	<b>Comm. Pct. # 2</b>
<b>Ronny Lawrence</b>	<b>Comm. Pct. # 3</b>
<b>Ken Geeslin</b>	<b>Comm. Pct. # 4</b>

And transacted the following business, to-wit:

Judge Sanders called the meeting to order @ 9:03A.M.

Citizens Comments: Rebecca Wilbanks, 112 Leland Dr., Athens, TX stated her beliefs regarding tax increases in a "Retirement Community". She is against the increase.

Brent Muecke, 5880 CR 4512, LaRue, TX stated updates to the proposed budget were not publicized and the Senior Citizen Facility needs attention.

Motion made by Comm. Geelsin and seconded by Comm. Lawrence, to approve the Minutes from the previous meeting held on August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014, as listed on copy in file. Voted unanimously by the court.

Carolyn Tyler of Henderson County 4H commented on and presented two students who participated in the 4H Nationals. Amanda Cooper and Nolan Newnan stated the events they competed in as well as their placement in each. Three students out of the 336 in Henderson County went to Nationals. Henderson County 4H brought home the National trophy which was displayed for the Court.

Motion made by Comm. Thomas and seconded by Comm. McKinney to approve a two week Burn Ban for all of Henderson County. Motion carried 4 to 1 Comm. Lawrence opposed.

Motion made by Comm. McKinney and seconded by Comm. Geeslin to open a Public Hearing @ 9:15A.M. for FY2015 proposed Tax rate for Henderson County. Voted unanimously by the court.

Brent Muecke stated the Volunteer Fire Departments needed an increase.

Comm. McKinney stated the tax increase would total .477984 cents. The rate for last year was .472658. The increase is for Road and Bridge which has not been increased for several years.

Comm. Geeslin concurred with Comm. McKinney stating the tax increase is less than a case of bottled water.

Motion made by Comm. McKinney and seconded by Comm. Thomas to close the Public Hearing on proposed FY2015 Tax rate for Henderson County. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion for Regional Public Defender for Capital Cases program offered by the State of Texas was tabled until next Commissioner's Court Meeting September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Financial Reports were received from the County Treasurer's Office, JP #2 and Auditor's Office.

There were no payroll distributions submitted.

There were no submitted contracts.

Motion made by Comm. McKinney and seconded by Comm. Geeslin to approve Payne Springs Water Supply Corporation to bore under CR 2531, 17192 Lundy Lane, Hidden Hills Harbor in Pct. 2 giving Judge Sanders authorization to sign. Voted unanimously by the court.

Budget Amendments will be addressed next Commissioner's Court meeting September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Motion made by Comm. Geeslin and seconded by Comm. Thomas to approve the payment of bills *1<sup>st</sup> Responder* in the amount of \$75,000.00, as listed on copy in file. Voted unanimously by the court.

Motion made by Comm. Thomas and seconded by Comm. McKinney to approve the payment of bills *Disbursements* in the amount of \$205,391.39, as listed on copy in file. Voted unanimously by the court.

There were no plats submitted.

There were no submitted bids.

Motion made by Comm. Lawrence and seconded by Comm. McKinney, to adjourn the meeting @ 9:55 A.M. Voted unanimously by court.

**Read and Approved:**

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**County Judge, Richard Sanders**