

**NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING
ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT**

Notice is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Ellis County Commissioners' Court will be held on **Monday, October 8, 2007 at 10:00 A.M., in the Commissioners' Courtroom, 101 West Main Street (2nd Floor), Waxahachie, Texas** at which time the following will be discussed and considered, to-wit:

County Judge:

Judge Chad Adams

Commissioners:

Dennis Robinson, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3

Ron Brown, Commissioner, Pct. 4

County Clerk:

Cindy Polley, County Clerk

County & District Attorney's Office:

Ann Montgomery, Assistant County Attorney

Lee Auvenshine, Assistant County Attorney

1. OPENING COURT

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

1.2 Motion to Open Court.

1.3 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance - Commissioner Dennis Robinson

2. CONSENT AGENDA – Consideration and Action:

Administrative:

A1 Approval of Regular Bills, Payroll, and Officers' Reports.

A2 Approval of salary supplements for the County Attorney's office to be paid from state supplement, drug forfeiture revenue and hot check funds for one

full time Clerk II position to continue to handle scanning and duplication of evidentiary materials.

A3 Approval of salary supplements for the County Attorney's Office to be paid from drug forfeiture revenue for the 2007-2008 budget year (Gretchen Choe \$1,212.00, Sandy Fisher \$3,532.00).

A4 Accept certificates of completion for Judy Robertson and Diana Buckley for the Emergency Management Institute (FEMA) Advanced Public Information Officer Course, September 17-21, 2007.

A5 Accept Certificate of Completion for Judy Robertson who attended and completed Time Management and Organizational Skills at the Rockhurst University Continuing Education Center.

A6 Approval of the resolution for the 2008 Indigent Defense Grant Program that assists the County in the implementation of the provisions of the Fair Defense Act and the improvement of the indigent criminal defense services in the County, enabling Ellis County to obtain \$67,803.00 for indigent defense.

A7 Approval and Certification of the Minutes from the Commissioners' Court Agenda dated:

April 9, 2007 – Regular

April 13, 2007 – Special

April 23, 2007 – Regular

April 27, 2007 - Special

May 1, 2007 – Special

May 4, 2007 - Special

May 14, 2007 – Regular

May 21, 2007 – Special

May 29, 2007 - Regular

Financial:

F1 From 5-005-0703-0907 Tires, 5-005-0703-0913 Chemicals to 5-005-0703-0902 Gas/Oil – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3

F2 From 5-001-0611-0821 Uniforms, 5-001-0611-0811 Auto, 5-001-0611-0806 Bond/Dues to 5-001-0611-0703 Telephone – Ben Fry, Constable, Pct. 1

F3 From 5-001-0320-0873 Maint/Repair, 5-001-0320-0801 Supplies to 5-001-0320-0703 Telephone, 5-001-0320-0805 Conference – Cindy Polley, County Clerk

F4 From 5-003-0601-0911 Gen Misc to 5-003-0601-0701 Utilities – Dennis Robinson, Commissioner Pct. 1

F5 From 5-001-0520-0874 Docket Books to 5-001-0540-0802 Equipment – Jackie Miller, Jr. JP Pct. 2

F6 From 5-001-0210-0873 Maint/Recount Equip to 5-001-0210-0502 Salaries, 5-001-0210-0801 Supplies – Jane Anderson, Elections Administrator

F7 From 5-005-0703-0930 ROW Purchase to 5-005-0703-0701 Utilities – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3

- F8 From 5-005-0703-0502 Wages to 5-005-0703-0902 Gas/Oil – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3
- F9 From 5-011-0703-0904 Asphalt to 5-011-0703-0926 Debt Service – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3
- F10 From 3-005-0000-0302 Fund Balance to 5-005-0703-0902 Gas/Oil. 5-005-0703-0912 Bridge Repair, 5-005-0703-0914 Signs, 5-005-0703-0930 Right of Way, 5-005-0703-0924 Soil Conservation – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3
- F11 From 3-011-0000-0302 Fund Balance to 5-011-0703-0901 Repair/Parts, 5-011-0703-0903 Gravel, 5-011-0703-0904 Asphalt, 5-011-0703-0910 Purchase of Equipment – Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3
- F12 From 5-001-0020-0801 Gen. Misc, 5-001-0020-0704 Pest Control, 5-001-0020-0707 Burglar Alarm Syst. to 5-001-0020-0705 Elevator – Keith Roberts, Maintenance
- F13 From 5-001-0060-0808 Auto Gas to 5-001-0060-0703 Telephone, 5-001-0060-0802 Equipment – Delton Ake, Department of County Development
- F14 From 5-001-0614-0808 Auto Gas, 5-001-0614-0809 Auto Repair, 5-001-0614-0810 Auto Tires, 5-001-0614-0815 Deputy Uniform to 5-001-0614-0802 Equipment, 5-001-0614-0801 Supplies – Steve McKinney, Constable, Pct. 4
- F15 From 5-004-0652-0924 Gen Exp to 5-004-0625-0924 Soil Conservation – Bill Dodson, Commissioner, Pct. 2
- F16 From 3-001-0000-0302 Fund Balance to 5-001-0375-0689 GIS – Chad Adams, County Judge
- F17 From 5-001-0310-0502 Deputies Salary to 5-01-0310-0601 Travel Reimbursement – Melanie Reed, District Clerk
- F18 From 3-001-0000-0302 Fund Balance to 5-001-0140-0840 Employee Apprec. Dinner – Chad Adams, County Judge (new budget)
- F19 From 5-001-0540-0803 office Furn/Fixtuire to 5-001-0540-0805 Conference – Linda Sibley, JP, Pct. 4
- F20 From 5-001-0612-0808 Gas/Oil, 5-001-0612-0802 Equipment to 5-01-0612-0809 Repairs – Terry Nay, Constable, Pct. 2
- F21 From 4-041-0000-0001 HIDTA Gp 7 to 5-041-0000-0001 HIDTA Gp 7 – Ray Stewart, Sheriff

Simplified Plat:

- 2.1 S-Smith Estates, 1 lot, Stanley Smith, Pct. 2.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE

- 3.1 Consideration and action to approve a Proclamation declaring the month of

October, 2007, as Czech Heritage Month in Ellis County.

- Ron Brown, Commissioner, Pct. 4

3.2 -Consideration and action to approve a proclamation designating the week of November 5 through November 9, 2007 as “No TV Week in Ellis County”.

- Ron Brown, Commissioner, Pct. 4

3.3 Consideration and action to amend the Order authorizing certain Sheriff’s Department vehicles to be exempt from the inscription requirement in the Transportation Code and to appoint Sheriff Ray Stewart, Chief Deputy Charles Sullins, or

Captain Danny Williams representatives to obtain regular license plates to be used on those exempt vehicles.

- Captain Danny Williams, Sheriff’s Office

3.4 Consideration and action to direct all money that otherwise would be deposited in a salary fund, created under chapter §154.007 of the Local Government Code, to be deposited into the general fund of Ellis County.

- Holly Davis, Special Projects Director

3.5 Consideration and action to nominate candidates (s) for the Board of Directors of the Ellis Central Appraisal District for the term of 2008-2009.

- Holly Davis, Special Projects Director

3.6 Consideration and action to approve the Presiding and Alternate Judges for the November 6, 2007 election.

- Jane Anderson, Elections Administrator

3.7 Consideration and action to approve the number of clerks for each polling place for the November 6, 2007 election

- Jane Anderson, Elections Administrator

3.8 Consideration and action to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Ellis County Texas, acting by and through Ellis County Constable Precinct 2 and the Waxahachie Independent School District for the Constable to assign one commissioned police officer to provide targeted law enforcement services to the Waxahachie Independent School District, from the effective date of the Agreement and run through the end of the 2008-2009 School Year, with an automatic renewal provision.

- Terry Nay, Constable Precinct 2

3.9 Presentation by the United Way of West Ellis County.

- Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3

3.10 Consideration and action to allow the United Way of West Ellis County to contact each department head in order to schedule a presentation to employees in the individual departments of Ellis County Government.

- Heath Sims, Commissioner, Pct. 3

3.11 Consideration and action to allow the county judge to sign a letter of intent to HDR Architects to begin programming work while the details of the final contract are being reviewed.

- Joe White, County Engineer

3.12 Consideration and action to give back to Sidney Osteen up to 173 vacation hours and up to 84 sick hours from 2004 and 2005.

- Ann Montgomery, Assistant County Attorney

3.13 Discussion concerning a revision of the Ellis County Personnel Policies and Procedures as it relates to vacation leave and sick leave while on any type of leave.

- Ann Montgomery, Assistant County Attorney

4. DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY DEVELOPMENT

Consideration and action regarding the following presented by Delton Ake, Director Department of Development:

4.1 To approve a variance from County of Ellis Rules, Regulations and Specifications for Subdivisions and Manufactured Homes as it relates to road frontage requirement of 150' in Carlton Estates II; Debbie Jarvis, Pct. 1.

4.2 To approve a variance from County of Ellis Rules, Regulations and Specifications for Subdivisions and Manufactured Homes as it relates to fire hydrant requirement not to exceed 450' spacing in Carlton Estates II; Debbie Jarvis, Pct. 1.

4.3 Replat - Carlton Estates II, lot 13, block 4 (adding .53 acres to existing 1.4 acres) into lot 13R, block 4; Debbie Jarvis, Pct. 1.

4.4 Replat – Canyon Creek Estates I, lot 14 into lot 14 R (adding 20 acres to existing 1

acre); Ronald Robinson, Pct. 4.

4.5 To approve a variance from County of Ellis Rules, Regulations and Specifications for Subdivisions and Manufactured Homes as it relates to allowable maximum cul-de-sac length of 1000' in proposed Rockett Ranch, Jeff Love, Pct. 1

4.6 Preliminary plat – Rockett Ranch, 21 lots, Jeff Love, Pct. 1.

5. RECESS TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

6. 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 §551.071, 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 §551.071.”

7. ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. ADJOURNMENT

Signed this the 4th day of October,
2007.

Chad Adams
Ellis County Judge

I, the undersigned, County Clerk of the Ellis County Commissioners Court do hereby certify that the above Notice of Regular 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 4th day of

October, 2007, at _____ a.m./p.m.

Cindy Polley, County Clerk

By _____

The Commissioners Court reserves the right to consider and take action on the above agenda items in any particular order.

Anyone wishing to address the Commissioners Court concerning a posted agenda item must make a formal request by presenting a "Participation Form" to the County Clerk at least 10 minutes prior to the beginning of the meeting.

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.