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**ORDERS or OFFICIAL ACTS RELATED TO
A CHANGE AFFECTING VOTING**

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IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
TOM GREEN COUNTY, TEXAS

**2ND SUPPLEMENTAL and FINAL ORDER
ADOPTING REVISED ELECTION PRECINCT BOUNDARIES
FOLLOWING REDISTRICTING OF
CITY OF SAN ANGELO WARDS**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that the Commissioners Court of Tom Green County, Texas previously adopted a plan for the redistricting of Commissioners Court Precincts, Justice of the Peace and Election Precincts. Subsequently to the adoption of a Final Order for the Realignment of Election Precincts, the City of San Angelo, a single member district city with a population in excess of 10,000 persons, revised its single member wards, requiring the County of Tom Green to conform its election precincts to the new San Angelo Wards. This 2nd Supplemental Order, and the attached maps, data and narrative text, set forth the changes resulting from redistricting of City of San Angelo Single Member Districts, and provides an explanation for the necessity of the same.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that this 2nd Supplemental Order, along with all prior Orders of the Commissioners Court, shall be considered as a whole, and this Order shall constitute the FINAL ORDER of the Tom Green County Commissioners Court regarding redistricting of all Tom Green County political boundaries. To the extent necessary for a complete submission to the United States Department of Justice, as required by Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. §1973, this Order may be supplemented by such attachments and additional data as may be required by that statute without the necessity of further action by the Commissioners Court.

Legal Counsel for the County, the firm of Allison, Bass & Associates, LLP, is authorized to make such necessary additions to the Supplemental Data as necessary to comply with the requirements of federal law, or the requests of Department of Justice pre-clearance reviewers.

This Supplemental Order shall be composed of the following information:

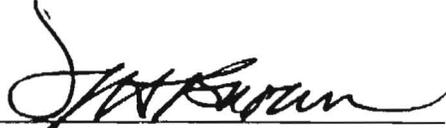
1. Map of Election Precincts altered by the modification of San Angelo City Wards demographic data.
2. A list of any altered polling place addresses for each Election Precinct so affected, if any.
3. If necessary, a narrative explanation of any boundary definition that is not sufficiently depicted in map form.
4. If necessary, a narrative explanation of any other condition or circumstance relevant to the redistricting of Tom Green County political boundaries.

Notice of Availability: A copy of the entire submission to the United States Department of Justice shall be available for inspection by the public during regular business hours in the office of the Tom Green County Clerk. The public is invited to make comment upon the plan with the Department of Justice. Comments should be addressed to the Chief, Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, 320 First Street NW, Room 818A, Washington, D.C. 20001.

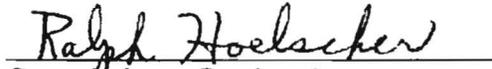
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the Realignment of Election Precincts depicted in the maps and data attached to this Order are hereby APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Commissioners Court of Tom Green County, Texas. This Final Order shall, in substance, constitute the submission for new political boundaries to the United States Department of Justice pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §1973. The Redistricting Plan adopted by this Order shall be effective, subject to Department of Justice preclearance, on January 1, 2013, and for all subsequent elections until changed or modified by

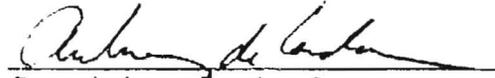
later Order. It is expressly understood that implementation of this plan shall not take place until the receipt of preclearance approval by the United States Department of Justice.

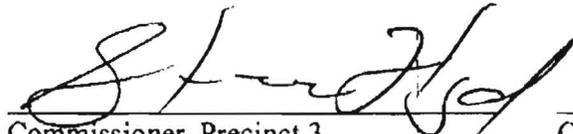
Signed this 18 day of December, 2012.



County Judge, Tom Green County


Commissioner, Precinct 1


Commissioner, Precinct 2


Commissioner, Precinct 3


Commissioner, Precinct 4

ATTEST:


County Clerk, Ex Officio Clerk of the
Tom Green County Commissioners Court



NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF CHANGES

- Election Precinct 107 - Territory east of riverbed severed and added to Election Precinct 124 to conform to San Angelo Ward 4.
- Election Precinct 114 - Territory between Texas Pacific railroad and Foster Street, and Jackson St to the south, severed from Election Precinct 243 and added to Election Precinct 114 to conform to San Angelo Ward 3.
- Election Precinct 137 - Territory east of South Concho River, north of Paint Rock Rd, South of Medina, and west of Woodruff severed from Election Precinct 144 and added to Election Precinct 137, to conform to San Angelo Ward 3.
- Election Precinct 146 - Territory from Election Precinct 144 composed of three blocks, defined by Maxwell St between S. Bell and Coke Streets, and Culberson between Bell and S. Marie, south to Roosevelt, severed and added to Election Precinct 146, to conform to San Angelo Ward 3.
- Election Precinct 215 - Territory east of College Hills Blvd, north of Loop 306, west of Sul Ross St, and south of Red Arroyo severed from Election Precinct 215 and added to Election Precinct 228, to conform to San Angelo Ward 5.
- Election Precinct 230 - Territory from Election Precinct 243 east of Texas Pacific Railroad, south of Jackson and Red Arroyo, West of Bryant Blvd, north of Cox Rd, west of Foster Ln, and North of Loop 306 severed from Election Precinct 243 and added to Election Precinct 230, to conform to San Angelo Ward 1
- Election Precinct 241 - Territory from Election Precinct 423, with no population, added to Election Precinct 241 to simplify lines and match up with San Angelo Ward 1.
- Election Precinct 243 - Eliminated by adding territory to Election Precinct 228 and 230, to conform with San Angelo Wards 1 and 5.
- Election Precinct 401 - One census block, north of North Concho River, added to Election 401 from 436, no population, to conform to San Angelo Ward 3.

Election Precinct 402 - Territory from Election Precinct 402 defined as east of Guthrie, South of Webster, West of Hassell, and the south access road to US 67 was added to Election Precinct 434 to conform to San Angelo Ward 2.

Territory from Election Precinct 402 defined as south of the south access road to US 67, east of Hassell Street, North of San Antonio, West of N. Campus was added to Election Precinct 435 to conform to San Angelo Ward 5.

Election Precinct 421 - Due to excess voting age population, Election Precinct 421 was divided at Loop 306, with the north portion renumbered as Election Precinct 424, and the south portion retaining number 421.

Election Precinct 435 - Territory severed from Election Precinct 402 was added to Election Precinct 435 (See note above). Additionally, territory from Election Precinct 434 was severed south of Webster, east of N. Van Buren, and north of Caddo St, and added to Election precinct 435 to conform to San Angelo Ward 4.

Election Precinct 436 Territory from Election Precinct 435 south of San Antonio, West of Hickory, South of Caddo, west of the North Concho River, North of Sherwood, and East of North Campus was severed from Election Precinct 435 and added to Election Precinct 436 to conform to Election Precinct 5.

**Tom Green County
Commissioners Court
Commissioners' Court Meeting Room
Edd B. Keyes Building
113 W. Beauregard
San Angelo, Texas 76903
December 18th, 2012**

The Commissioners' Court of Tom Green County Texas met in Regular Session, December 18th, 2012 in the Edd B. Keyes Building with the following members:

Present: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

- 1. County Judge Michael Brown called the meeting to order and ratified that a Quorum is present at 8:00 am.**
- 2. Recess the Open Session at 8:00am**
- 3. Convene Closed/Executive Session – The Commissioners' Court will meet in Closed/Executive Session in accordance with V.T.C.A. Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D.**
- 4. Adjournment of Closed/Executive Session at 8:18am.**
- 5. Reconvene in Open Session at 8:40 am.**
- 6. The Invocation was given by Commissioner Bill A. Ford. Judge Brown led in the Pledges to the United States and the State of Texas.**
- 7. Announcement: Anyone intending to address the Commissioners' Court shall complete and turn in to the County Judge a Witness Testimony form with the exception of Tom Green County Employees who are providing resource information pursuant to an Agenda item.**

Others Contributing to the items listed on the agenda are:

Terry Mobley – Human Resource
 Archie Kountz - RISK Manager
 Chris Taylor - County Attorney
 Johnny Grimaldo - Purchasing Agent
 Sandi Kenney- Judge's Administrative Assistant
 Dianna Spieker - Treasurer
 Nathan Craddock - Auditor
 Ron Perry - Emergency Management
 Charla Putnam- 911 County Coordinator
 Vona McKerley - Election Administrator
 Don Killam - Facility Maintenance
 Truman Richey - Sheriff
 David Jones - Sheriff Elect
 Sara Palmer - Treasurer's Office

8. Moved to approve the following items on the CONSENT AGENDA as presented:

A. Acknowledged the minutes from the last meeting(s) of December 11th, 2012.

B. Moved to approve the Bills (Minutes of Accounts Allowable) through December 13, 2012 for FY 2013 in the amount of \$1,800,986.83

FY 2013 Open Purchase Orders for December 10th - 14th, 2012 in the amount of \$150,578.34

Attachments:

- Approval of bills
- bills
- Open Purchase Orders

C. Accepted the following Tom Green County Personnel Actions and the attached Community Supervision and Correction Departments (CSCD) Personnel Actions as presented:

The following salary expenditures are being presented for your Approval:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	ACTION	EFF DATE	RANGE	SALARY	SUPPLEMENT

Kaleb Bannert	Road & Bridge 2/4	New Hire	12/10/12	S10	\$835.82	\$13.85**
Tommy Matthews	Sheriff	New Hire	01/01/13	L08	\$1923.08	\$23.08*, \$13.85**
Larry Pearce	Sheriff	New Hire	01/01/13	L09	\$2070.79	\$23.08*, \$27.69**
William Ford	Commissioner—Pct 4	Salary Increase	01/01/13		\$1550.55	\$433.04 (Auto)
John Best	District Attorney	Promotion	01/01/13	L12	\$3158.68	\$23.08**\$71.06***
Jason Ferguson	District Attorney	Promotion	01/01/13	L11	\$2294.53	\$23.08**\$51.62***
Ashley Knight	District Attorney	Other	01/01/13	L10	\$2023.35	\$23.08**\$45.52***
Meagan White	District Attorney	New Hire	01/02/13	L11	\$2225.70	\$23.08**\$50.06***
Rebekah Cantrell	County Detention Ctr	New Hire	01/02/13	L01	\$1045.20	
Tyler Simmons	County Detention Ctr	New Hire	12/13/12	L01	\$1045.20	
Paul Yanez	County Detention Ctr	New Hire	12/23/12	L01	\$1045.20	
Philip Cruz	County Detention Ctr	New Hire	01/03/13	L01	\$1045.20	
John P. McGuire	JP, Pct 2	Salary Increase	01/01/13		\$1938.19	\$324.54 (Auto)
Donna K. Longest	JP, Pct 1	Salary Increase	01/01/13		\$1938.19	\$324.54 (Auto)
Raul G. Polanco	Sheriff	Vol. Downgrade	01/01/13	L04	\$1483.89	\$13.85**

***Uniform, **Phone, ***Pre Trial**

Attachments:

CSCD Personnel Actions

The following personnel actions are presented for Acknowledgement and as a matter of record:

NAME	DEPARTMENT	ACTION	EFF DATE	RANGE	SALARY	SUPPLEMENT
William Waller	Sheriff	Retirement	12/31/12	S13	\$1204.81	\$13.85 (Phone)
Kevin Archipolo	Road & Bridge 1/3	Resignation	12/20/12	S12	\$975.53	\$47.39,18.94,13.85
Andrew Cano	JP 1	Termination	12/10/12	S09	\$796.93	
Stephen Lupton	District Attorney	Retirement	12/31/12	EO	\$576.92	
Scott Byrd	Constable Precinct 4	Term Ended	12/31/12	EO	\$1525.27	
Allison Lou Palmer	District Attorney	Elected	01/01/13	EO	\$576.92	
James Harris	Constable Precinct 4	Elected	01/01/13	EO	\$1444.99	
David Jones	Sheriff	Elected	01/01/13	EO	\$2612.71	\$23.08*
Leo Stewart	Facilities Maintenance	Resignation	12/17/12	S11	\$913.08	

Chad Freeze	Juvenile Detention	Termination	11/28/12	JJ1	\$8.50	
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*Uniform

The following personnel actions are presented for Grants as a matter of record: **None**

D. Moved to accept and approve the bonds for officials elected on November 6, 2012.

E. Moved to approve the Contract and Agreement for Detention of Juvenile Offenders between Tom Green County and Concho County.

Attachments:

Concho County

F. Moved to acknowledge the Official Justice of the Peace Monthly Journal Report, Precinct 1 in the amount of \$7,760.90, Precinct 2 in the amount of 36,123.60, Precinct 3 (Not submitted at this time) and Precinct 4 in the amount of \$32,327.20 for November 2012. (Judge Kay Longest, Judge JP McGuire, Judge Fred Buck and Judge Eddie Howard)

Attachments:

Justice #1
Justice #2
Justice #4

G. Move to acknowledge the District Clerk's November 2012 Monthly Collection Report in the amount of \$61,038.38 (does not include Registry funds), as a matter of record. (Sheri Woodfin)

Attachments:

District Clerk

H. Accepted, as a matter of record, IHC form 105 November 2012. (Dianna Spieker)

Attachments:

Indigent Health Report

I. Moved to approve acceptance of Exiting Officials Inventory forms, as presented. (Johnny Grimaldo)

Attachments:

51st District Attorney - Steven Lupton
Constable #4 - Scott Byrd
Sheriff - Truman Richey

J. Moved to accept Acknowledgement of completion of 14.7 CPE credits for Purchasing Agent at 2012 TXPPA Fall Conference. (Johnny Grimaldo)

Moved by Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova Seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

CEU hours - Johnny Grimaldo

9. Consider action on matters(s) from the Closed/Executive Session. **No Action.**

10. Consider line item transfers and budget amendments for FY2013.

Moved to approve the following line item transfer(s) for 2013:

Funds: 0015 Donations

<u>Dept. #</u>	<u>Dept. Name</u>	<u>Account#</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Budget Increase</u>	<u>Budget Decrease</u>
080	Library	70675-11810	Professional fees	25,500.00	
080	Library	80501-11810	Building Construction		25,500.00
080	Library	70435-10805	Books		984.00
080	Library	70475-10805	Equipment	984.00	

Funds: 0001 General

<u>Dept. #</u>	<u>Dept. Name</u>	<u>Account#</u>	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Budget Increase</u>	<u>Budget Decrease</u>
139	Court Street Annex	80504	Capital Building Improvements		37,693.00
130	Justice of Peace #2	70440	Utilities	590.00	
134	N. Branch Library	70440	Utilities	607.00	
139	Court Street Annex	70440	Utilities	9,279.00	
141	Keys	70440	Utilities	650.00	
142	Jail	70440	Utilities	11,300.00	

143 Sheriff's Office	70440 Utilities	582.00
144 Juvenile Justice Center	70440 Utilities	2,361.00
145 Turner Building	70440 Utilities	202.00
163 3020 N. Bryant	70440 Utilities	2,845.00
180 Stephens Central Library	70440 Utilities	9,277.00

Moved by County Judge Michael D. Brown Seconded by Commissioner
Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Line item transfers

12. Consider Treasurers' November 2012 Monthly Report. (Dianna Spieker)

Moved to approve the Treasurers' November 2012 Monthly Report, as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher Seconded by
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Treasurer's November 2012 Report
Courts Approval

13. Consider Auditor's November 2012 Monthly Report. (Nathan Craddock)

Moved to approve the acceptance of the Auditor's November 2012 Monthly Report. as presented.

Moved by County Judge Michael D. Brown Seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Acceptance by the Court
Auditor's November 2012 Report

14. Consider accepting grant funds on worksheets 2B and 1H from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the response to the Wildcat Fire, and adopt a budget to disperse the funds to participating agencies. (Nathan Craddock)

Moved to accept grant funds on worksheets 2B and 1H (\$363,418.32) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the response to the Wildcat Fire, and adopt a budget authorizing the disbursement of the funds to participating agencies and approve the Budget Amendment.

2012 Budget Amendment

Funds: 0699

				Budget
Budget				
Dept. #	Dept. Name	Account#	Account Description	Increase
Decrease				
06993364	Intergovernmental	43343	FEMA Revenue	363,430.00
06991164	FEMA - Wildcat	70314	City of San Angelo	22,020.00
06991164	FEMA - Wildcat	70362	East Concho VFD	6,000.00
06991164	FEMA - Wildcat	70364	Wall VFD	14,368.00
06991164	FEMA - Wildcat	70366	Out of County VFD	169,100.00
06991164	FEMA - Wildcat	70448	Christoval VFD	4,988.00

06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70456 Water Valley VFD	18,906.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70458 Grape Creek VFD	4,799.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70461 Quail Valley VFD	7,280.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70466 Dove Creek VFD	5,625.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	50119 Over time	38,010.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	60201 FICA/Medicare	2,908.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	60203 Retirement	2,836.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	60204 Workers' Comp	381.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	60205 Unemployment	571.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70335 Gasoline	13,870.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70338 Diesel	18,544.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70343 Parts	16,040.00
06991164 FEMA - Wildcat	70475 Equipment	13,302.00

Moved by Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd Seconded by
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Wildcat Fire Budget and Budget Amendment

11. Request approval for retiring Captain Steve Mild to be able to purchase his service weapon, a Glock 22C 40 cal. at the replacement cost of the weapon.
(Truman Richey)

Moved to approve the request for retiring Captain Steve Mild to purchase his service weapon, a Glock 22C 40 caliber, at the replacement cost of the weapon.

Moved by County Judge Michael D. Brown Seconded by Commissioner
Precinct 3 Steve Floyd

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova

Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

15. Consider and take necessary action to resolve redistricting issues due to changes made by City of San Angelo. (Vona McKerley)

Moved to approve the "2nd Supplemental and Final Order Adopting Revised Election Precinct Boundaries Following Redistricting of City of San Angelo Wards" to resolve redistricting issues, due to changes made by City of San Angelo, as presented.

Moved by County Judge Michael D. Brown Seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Redistricting

16. Consider and take action on relocation of polling places for precincts 225, 241, 305, 319 and 351. (Vona McKerley)

Moved to approve the following relocation of polling places for:

Precincts 225 and 241 from Sierra Vista Methodist Church on College Hills to TX TX Dot located on Knickerbocker;

Precincts 305,319 and 351 from The Heights Church to Angelo Bible Church...both are located on Sherwood Way.

Moved by Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd Seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

17. Consider County Wide Burn Ban.

Moved to reinstate a Tom Green County (unincorporated areas) Burn Ban for the next 90 days, to be effective at 8:00 am December 19th, 2012, due to the increased risk due to the lack of moisture.

Moved by Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd Seconded by
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford

Ayes: Commissioner Precinct 1 Ralph Hoelscher
Commissioner Precinct 2 Aubrey deCordova
Commissioner Precinct 3 Steve Floyd
Commissioner Precinct 4 Bill A. Ford
County Judge Michael D. Brown

Approved

Attachments:

Burn Ban Notice

18. Consider Tom Green County addressing issues.

Ms. Putnam requested to be notified if the projected number of RV Parks that go in surpass the allotted number of units allowable before EPA regulations go into effect, so that she can prepare the appropriate addressing requirements. **No Action.**

19. Consider issues dealing with the following ongoing construction/remodeling projects and take any action necessary:

A. Courthouse basement remodel.

Don Killam updated the Court that they were in the process of choosing colors for the walls, trim, carpet, etc. He also requested that the flooring in the corridor be replaced at an estimated cost of about \$2,000.00. The outside air vents have been reactivated for more fresh air circulation. They will be choosing laminate for the

counter tops later. The wheel chair lift people will be here this week. The District Clerk is requesting a sink in the former Coffee Shop area, so it can be utilized as a break room. **No Action.**

B. Judge Edd B. Keyes Building remodel.

Don Killam updated the court on the progress of the demolition in the former library. There is still duct work, electrical lines and a plaster ceiling that have to be removed before the sprinkler system can be installed. Work has only started on the east side of the mall. **No Action.**

20. Future Agenda Items:

1. Consider the next phase of the development of the rooftop on the Stephens Central Library.

21. Announcements:

1. All County Offices will be Closed December 24th - 26th for Christmas and December 31-January 1st for New Years. Some offices have various holiday schedules, so call before coming down to check on the schedules of the particular office that you will need.

2. Swearing in Ceremonies for Officials elected in November will be January 1st, 2013 at 10:00 am in Courtroom A- second floor.

3. Next Regular Commissioners' Court will be January 8th, 2013 due to the closings for the holidays.

4. Thank you to the Standard Times and KLST for coverage of our meeting.

5. Terry Mobley informed the Court that all the required information for the transition to the new County insurance had been submitted a week before the deadline. He expressed his appreciation to Archie Kountz, Brook Ramsey and others involved in expediting and helping with the transition. The Court gave their Kudos to all of the staff that did the work.

22. Judge Brown adjourned the meeting at 9:33 am.

As per HB 2931, Section 4:

I, Elizabeth McGill, County Clerk of Tom Green County, Texas do hereby attest that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of the Commissioners' Court Meeting that met in Regular Session on December 18th, 2012.

I hereby set my hand and seal to this record December 18th, 2012.

Elizabeth "Liz" McGill
County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court

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LOCAL

Tom Green County brings back burn ban

■ Latest ban will last for 90 days; fireworks OK

By Matthew Waller
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The county got news Tuesday on the shape of fire danger in Tom Green County.

Ron Perry, emergency management coordinator for the city of San Angelo and Tom Green County, said he had hoped to keep the county free of a burn ban for the last Commissioners Court meeting of the year, but the indicators wouldn't let him.

The indicators of heat, humid-

ity and dryness are such that there is "high fire danger over most of West Texas," he said. "We can't slide by this time."

Tom Green County Commissioners therefore instituted a burn ban, effective at 8 a.m. today.

The ban prevents people from burning trash outdoors. Use of gas stoves and propane grills is allowed, as are fireworks. Otherwise, only prescribed burns, such as for agriculture or fire-fighting training, are allowed.

The ban lasts 90 days unless the county decides to take away the ban. The commissioners can also vote to continue the burn ban.

The ban affects only unin-

corporated areas of the county, so the city of San Angelo is not under the ban.

Violating the county ban is a class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500.

The county has been considering the ban for weeks given the lack of good rain, but the indicators never reached their threshold.

"The numbers have been surprising for a month now," Precinct 3 Commissioner Steve Floyd said.

Texas A&M Forest service officials advised caution throughout the state in a news release Tuesday.

"Any time the state experiences dry periods with strong, gusty winds, the threat of wildfire will increase, and extra cau-

tion is encouraged to avoid devastating wildfires," said Justice Jones, Wildland Urban Interface coordinator for Texas A&M Forest Service, in the news release.

In other business, commissioners: ■ Approved moving forward with redistricting the county.

The Tom Green County Elections Office found out this summer that several of the county's 34 voting precincts contained more than one city of San Angelo single member district.

The Texas Election Code requires that a voting precinct contain only one city single member district.

Voting precincts are not the same as the four county commission precincts.

Tom Green County Elections Administrator Vona Mc Kerley said she chose to redistrict now to wait until after the general election in November.

The new maps will need to go to the U.S. Department of Justice, which inspects the maps to make sure minorities are adequately represented.

■ Allowed for the relocation of polling places for voting precincts 225 and 241 at the Texas Department of Transportation offices, 4502 Knickerbocker Road, and for voting precincts 305, 319 and 351 at Angelo Bible Church, 3506 Sherwood Way.

■ Approved allowing retiring Tom Green County Sheriff Capt. Steve Mild to purchase his service weapon at replacement cost.

County gets \$262,000 for fire

IN-HOME SENIOR CARE
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Vernon's Texas Statutes and Codes Annotated

Election Code (Refs & Annos)

Title 4. Time and Place of Elections

Chapter 42. Election Precincts

Subchapter A. County Election Precincts

V.T.C.A., Election Code § 42.005

§ 42.005. Relationship to Wards, Districts, and Justice and Commissioners Precincts

Currentness

(a) A county election precinct, including a consolidated precinct, may not contain territory from more than one of each of the following types of territorial units:

- (1) a commissioners precinct;
- (2) a justice precinct;
- (3) a congressional district;
- (4) a state representative district;
- (5) a state senatorial district;
- (6) a ward in a city with a population of 10,000 or more; or
- (7) a State Board of Education district.

(b) If application of this section conflicts with application of Section 42.006, this section prevails.

(c) In this section, "ward" means a territorial unit of a city, regardless of its designation under other law, from which a member of the city's governing body is elected by only the voters residing in the territorial unit.

(d) County election precincts are not required to comply with Subsection (a)(6) if:

- (1) the commissioners court by order recorded in its minutes determines that compliance is impracticable because of the requirements of a federal court order affecting elections in the county; and

(2) not later than January 1 of each year, the voter registrar furnishes to each political subdivision affected by the federal court order that is authorized or required to hold elections in the county during that year a list of registered voters for each election precinct used in the political subdivision's elections.

Credits

Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 211, § 1, eff. Jan. 1, 1986. Amended by Acts 1987, 70th Leg., ch. 54, § 4(a), eff. Sept. 1, 1987; Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 114, § 7, eff. Sept. 1, 1989.

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