

NOVEMBER 12, 2014

WISE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING

On this the 12th day of November, A.D., 2014 at 10:01 A.M. came on to be had a Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Wise County, Texas held in the County Court at Law Jury Room (3rd) Floor in County Courthouse of said County in the town of Decatur with the following members present and presiding:

*Glenn Hughes	(Interim)	County Judge
Danny White	(ABSENT)	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Kevin Burns		Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Harry Lamance		Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
**Gary Potts	(Interim)	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4

Sherry Lemon, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court when and where the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

All attachments referred to in the minutes of the Wise County Commissioners' Court are designated original or copy and are provided at the time of action by the Court unless otherwise indicated by provider.

Interim County Judge Hughes votes aye on all agenda items unless otherwise indicated.

- 1) Hughes called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM. All court members were present with the exception of Commr. Pct. No. 1 White.
- 2) Interim Elections Administrator Jimmy Parker provided the court with a tri-fold summary, Unofficial Cumulative Report; and, a Canvass Report – Total Voters (Unofficial) of the Tuesday, November 4, 2014 General Election. (See attachments)

Parker outlined the following:

- Voter ID: Seven voters did not present proper identification; one voter returned to cure the ballot; the other six had expired driver's license (4-6 months).
- Provisional Ballots: thirty-one; twelve were cured and accepted by the ballot board. Parker stated in the other instances the voter was registered in another county or precinct and didn't chose to go to the proper polling location.
- Parker stated the last vote cast in Wise County was from a military voter and the military voter is from Afghanistan.
- Early Voting extended hours – no "uptick" (increase) in early voting extended hour times.

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- 12,764 total ballots cast (approximately 35%) down from 2010 by approximately 220-225 voters.
- Upcoming city/school elections; two possible local option elections; water district option on ballots.

Hughes commended Parker on a job well-done. Parker commented that WFAA came to Wise County to film in a polling location (Decatur City Hall) and Parker requested they leave as filming in a polling location on Election Day. It is against the law.

3) Parker provided the following canvass information regarding the Tuesday, November 4, 2014 General Election.

- Officially tallied the votes
- County Judge won by J.D. Clark with 10,377 votes
- Commr. Pct. 4 won by Gaylord Kennedy with 2, 558 votes

Motion to accept the canvass of the early voting and Election Day voting for the Tuesday, November 4, 2014 General Election as printed. (See attachments)

4) Parker stated the canvass of the other local elections are done by the school districts and will not be canvassed until November 17, 2014. Parker stated there is an issue with Paradise ISD and there may be a possible recount.

Burns asked about action by the Court. No action taken by the court.

5) Motion made by Burns seconded by Potts with Lamance voting aye to accept the resignation of Gary W. Potts as Interim Commissioner Precinct No. 4, as printed. (See attachment)

6) Motion made by Burns seconded by Lamance to approve the Order Declaring Vacancy in the Office of Wise County Commissioner Precinct No. 4, as printed. (See attachment)

7) Hughes appointed Precinct No. 4 Commissioner-Elect Gaylord Kennedy to fill the remaining portion of the unexpired term beginning November 12, 2014 until December 13, 2014. (See attached Order to Fill the Vacancy in the Office of Wise County Commissioner Precinct No. 4.)

**Kennedy was sworn into office by Hughes during the meeting and assumed the position of Commissioner Precinct No. 4 upon oath of office. (Original Bond and Oath is recorded in Official Bond and Oath Records by the Wise County Clerk.)

8) Motion made Burns seconded by Lamance with Kennedy voting aye to accept the resignation of Glenn Hughes as Interim Wise County Judge, as printed. (See attachment)

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Hughes thanked everyone for their assistance during the last eight to ten months.
Hughes passed the meeting to Burns as senior commissioner on the court.

9) Motion made by Lamance seconded by Kennedy with Burns voting aye to approve the Order Declaring Vacancy in the Office of Wise County Judge, as printed. (See attachment)

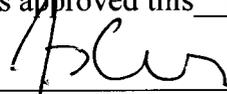
10) Motion made by Lamance seconded by Kennedy with Burns voting aye to appoint County Judge-elect Judson D. Clark to the position of Interim County Judge to fill the remaining portion of the unexpired term beginning November 12, 2014 through December 31, 2014. (See attachment)

271st Judicial District Judge John Fostel commented about Clark possibly being the youngest county judge in Wise County history.

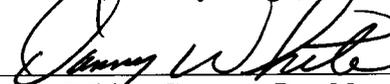
*Clark was sworn into office by 271st Judicial District Judge John Fostel during the meeting and assumed the position of County Judge upon oath of office. (Original Bond and Oath filed in Official Bond and Oath Records by the Wise County Clerk.)

11) Clark adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM there being no further business to be had.

Minutes approved this 15 day of December, 2014, as printed.



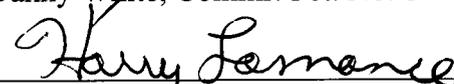
J.D. Clark, County Judge, Wise County



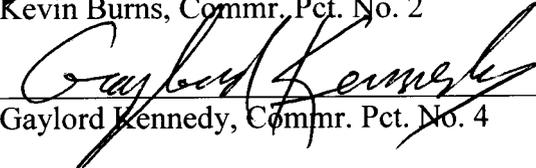
Danny White, Commr. Pct. No. 1



Kevin Burns, Commr. Pct. No. 2



Harry Lamance, Commr. Pct. No. 3



Gaylord Kennedy, Commr. Pct. No. 4

ATTEST:



Sherry Lemon, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners' Court,
Wise County, Texas.

The Wise County Commissioners' Court adopted the ***Rules of Procedures, Conduct & Decorum at Meetings of Wise County Commissioners' Court*** on February 28, 1994 and the rules have not been revised.

Addendum:

The following abbreviations are used in reference to current Wise County projects.

WCCAB – Wise County Courthouse Annex at Bridgeport

SWA – Southwest Architects Inc.

TxDOT/DPS - Texas Department of Transportation/Department of Public Safety

TAC – Texas Association of Counties

TFP – Wise County Thoroughfare Plan

WHJ – Wiginton, Hooker and Jeffry, P.C. (in relation to Wise County facilities Master Study Plan)

WCWC – Weatherford College Wise County campus