Farm Bureau leaders attend TFB Annual Meeting! Agricultural leaders from Coke-Sterling County Farm Bureau attended the 83rd Texas Farm Bureau Annual Meeting December 3-5 in San Antonio. Jerrod Pitcock, Amber Pitcock, Meredith Hughes and John Ross Copeland represented the local organization.

Discussion of the latest agricultural issues, including high speed rail, eminent domain, property rights and property ag valuation; the recognition of top county Farm Bureaus and individuals; and evaluation of the organization's policies, were the tasks for more than 900 voting delegates from 159 organized county Farm Bureaus.

County delegates voted on proposed policy changes during the meeting's business session the final day of the meeting. Farm Bureau policies reflect the needs of local farmers and ranchers and direct the state's largest farm organization. Approved recommendations on national policies advance to the American Farm Bureau Federation annual meeting to be held in January in Phoenix, Ariz.

Addressing the delegates was TFB President Russell W. Boening of Poth, TFB Executive Director Si Cook and Lt. Governor Dan

## **Commissioners Court** minutes posted

Coke County Commissioners Court met in regular session November 22, 2016, at the courthouse in Robert Lee. Members of the court present included County Judge, Roy Blair, Commissioner, Pct. #1 Gene Montgomery, Commissioner, Pct. #2 Paul Williams, Commissioner, Pct. #3 Gaylon Pitcock, Commissioner, Pct. #4 Joe Sefcik. Clerk Mary Grim was also in attendance.

The meeting opened with prayer given by Judge Blair and the pledge to the flag was

Judge Blair announced the presence of a quorum.

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve the minutes for November 9, 2016. The motion was seconded by Comm. Sefcik. Motion carried.

No action was taken on the

Comm. Williams made a motion to approve a bid for purchase of property held in trust by Coke County, Trust Property 807 Austin, Lot 6, Block 22, Original Town to the City of Robert Lee, Coke County, Texas. The motion was seconded by Comm. Sefcik. Motion carried. Judge Blair abstained.

Comm. Pitcock made a motion to approve the Agreement with County Information Resources Agency (CIRA). The motion seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.

The Court canvassed the 2016 General Election Votes.

Judge Blair reported on his Judicial School, outside auditors were here last week, City of Bronte has requested Fire Dept. check, received a call from Jason Clinton with SKG stating that the last bill received was for administrative cost. County Treasurer presented letters from SKG informing the Court that Sanco Road, Cedar Cove Road, Humble Road and Double Barrel Road had been installed in accordance with the project plans and specifications.

There being no private road work requests, no action was

Comm. Williams made a motion to pay bills including the SKG bill. The motion was seconded by Comm. Montgomery. Motion carried.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am.



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