

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to approve the bonds for Kyla Long, deputy in Clerk's office and Rhonda Boone, deputy in Tax A/C's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pitcock. Motion carried.

Commissioner Pitcock made a motion to approve the line item transfers as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

No action was taken regarding hiring a Bronte Park Caretaker. Commissioner Lee wants to run ad another two (2) weeks.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to allow the City of Robert Lee to demolish the property at Lot 1, 2, 3 Block 17, Original Town of Texas otherwise known as 1022 Austin Street, Robert Lee, Texas 76945. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

Judge Blair reported that he had nothing to add to the discussion of the Coke County Detention Center but hopefully would be looking at options in four to five weeks.

Commissioner Montgomery reported that the rental on equipment is in line with others.

Commissioner Lee reported that he has not received a report on the bridge and Judge Blair reported that he has not received the long report on the bridge.

Commissioner Lee presented two (2) private road work requests, one from Beda Juarez for 2 loads of sand hauled and one from Jim Jones to haul sand from Sand Road to storage building in Bronte.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to approve the requests. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pitcock. Motion carried.

Commissioner Montgomery made a motion to pay bills. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lee. Motion carried.

Judge Blair recessed at 10:25 am and returned at 10:40 am to enter a budget workshop. The Court recessed for lunch at 12 noon and reconvened at 1:30 pm.

Judge Blair adjourned the meeting at 2:33 pm.

21st Annual Mesquite Show Returning to Fredericksburg

The 2013 Texas Mesquite Arts Festival returns to Fredericksburg, Texas on October 11, 12, and 13.

Juried artists from around Texas and beyond will gather in Fredericksburg Marktplatz for a three-day celebration of the exquisite and attractive mesquite.

"Besides seeing the absolute best selection of mesquite, visitors will enjoy the largest mesquite show in the world," show organizer Al Carr said.

The Mesquite Arts Festival has become one of the top events in Fredericksburg. Organizers expect over 10,000 visitors during the weekend.

Visitors will be treated to collections of sculpted wood from the world's absolute finest mesquite craftsmen. Items range from large furniture items such as beds, dressers and chairs made entirely from mesquite, to unique craft and gift items such as beautifully turned lamps, delicate scroll work, handsome pen and pencil sets, unique Christmas tree ornaments, sturdy gun stocks, and sculpted vases, all carefully crafted of mesquite.

More information on the Texas Mesquite Arts Festival is available at www.texasmesquiteartfestival.com, or by calling the Fest Office at 830-993-8515. Please be sure to connect with us on Facebook.

Once viewed as a nuisance, mesquite has become the darling of architects and retail-

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July Sheriff's Report

The following reports were made by Coke County Sheriff's Office for the month of July 2013.

- Sheriff's Info Report X 4
- Criminal Mischief X 2
- Criminal Trespass X 2
- Theft
- Assault Class C
- Unattended Death
- Driving While License Invalid Arrest X 4
- Assault Family Violence
- Public Service: 355 (This number includes Funerals, Court, Motorist Assist, and Alarm Calls.
- Civil Process: 5
- Prisoner Transport including arrest and to and from court: 9
- Warrants Served: 3
- Livestock Calls: 22
- Accidents: 3
- Accident Assist: 2
- Traffic Stops: 129
- Traffic Stops resulting in citations: 107

TOTAL INMATES IN RUNNELS COUNTY JAIL as of August 12, 2013

4 Males
July 2013 Arrests and Dispositions

- Justin Weiershausen, Driving While License Invalid, 7-1-13
- Brian Ditto, Boating While Intoxicated, 7-4-13
- Richard Overton, Boating While Intoxicated, 7-6-13
- Ryan Graves, Warrant Arrest, 7-9-13
- John Cole Johnson, Driving While License Invalid, 7-13-13
- Bryan Fountain, Warrant Arrest. 7-18-13
- Stacy Little, Out of County Warrant Arrest, 7-29-13

No County or District Court

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2013 Property Tax Rates in COKE COUNTY

This notice concerns the 2013 property tax rates for COKE COUNTY. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual tax rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers start rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

	General Fund	Farm to Market/ Flood Control Fund
Last year's tax rate:		
Last year's operating taxes	\$1,482,590	\$407,898
Last year's debt taxes	\$0	\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$1,482,590	\$407,898
Last year's tax base	\$348,475,732	\$345,685,060
Last year's total tax rate	\$0.425450/\$100	\$0.117997/\$100
This year's effective tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	\$1,462,301	\$402,079
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	\$393,226,500	\$390,468,640
= This year's effective tax rate for each fund	\$0.371872/\$100	\$0.102973/\$100
Total effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	\$0.474845/\$100	
This year's rollback tax rate:		
Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent healthcare expenditures)	\$1,462,301	\$402,079
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$393,226,500	\$390,468,640
= This year's effective operating rate	\$0.371872/\$100	\$0.102973/\$100
x 1.08=this year's maximum operating rate	\$0.401621/\$100	\$0.111210/\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$0/\$100	\$0/\$100
= This year's rollback rate for each fund	\$0.401621/\$100	\$0.111210/\$100
This year's total rollback rate	\$0.512831/\$100	

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If COKE COUNTY adopts a 2013 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of \$0.474845 per \$100 of value, taxes would decrease compared to 2012 taxes by \$-15,421.

Schedule A: General Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
unencumbered fund	2,162,584

Schedule B: General Fund - 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	0	0	0	0
Total required for 2013 debt service				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013				\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2013				\$0
= Total debt levy				\$0

Schedule A: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - Unencumbered Fund Balance

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Unencumbered Funds	966,398

Schedule B: Farm to Market/Flood Control Fund - 2013 Debt Service

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
	0	0	0	0
Total required for 2013 debt service				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from Schedule A				\$0
- Amount (if any) paid from other resources				\$0
- Excess collections last year				\$0
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2013				\$0
+ Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100.00% of its taxes in 2013				\$
= Total debt levy				\$0

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 13 E 7th ST Robert Lee, Texas.

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