

Wood County Commissioners Court

Constitution Week proclaimed; Medicine Chest contract OK'd

By JOHN SPARKS

Meeting in regular session Friday, September 18, Wood County Commissioners passed a proclamation declaring September 17-23 as Constitution Week in Wood County, and approved the renewal of a contract with Medicine Chest Pharmacy to provide prescription pharmaceuticals to inmates in the Wood County jail.

The Mineola Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution presented a draft resolution to the Court affirming the observance of Constitution Week in the County. September 17 marks the 222 anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States by the Continental Convention. The proclamation by the county is similar to those issued by the federal and state governments.

Commissioners also approved the renewal of a contract with Medicine Chest to provide prescription pharmaceuticals to inmates in the Wood County Jail. All terms and provisions of an existing agreement entered into last year by the two parties "will be and remain in full force."

In other action the court approved:

- a two-week County payroll of \$281,135.62.
- claims and payments totaling \$618,252.16.
- employee and family health care claims of \$126,837.28.
- August reports from Constables in all four precincts.
- County grant in the amount of \$2,519.75 to Meals on Wheels Ministry (budgeted).
- final payment to Continental Drilling & Service, Inc. for new water well (ORCA Block grant #727520) serving customers of Ramey Water Service Company and approving a public meeting at 5 p.m. September 28.
- services agreement with County Information Resources Agency (CIRA) for 2010.
- nomination of Garry Littlejohn of Holly Lake to the Wood County Appraisal District Board of Directors.
- actions relating to the release of securities and the pledge of securities held by Bank Texas.
- election judges and alternates for 2009-2010 including the following Precinct 3 appointments: Voting Precinct 3-1 Judge Betty Dubbs, Alternate Patsy Harris; Voting Precinct 3-2 Judge Charles Caffrey, Alternate Nancy Thomas; Voting Precinct 3-3 Judge Herman Peace, Angela Villescaz, Alternate.
- new polling location in Golden (Precinct 1-4) at Harold Simmons Community Center.
- indigent defense grant program (state grant program).
- re-appointment of Rodney Duplechain, Holly Lake Ranch to the Board of Directors of the Wood County Industrial Commission. Mr. Duplechain is the Vice Chair/Chair Elect for 2009-2010.

Personnel actions include:

- correction to action taken at an earlier meeting of the court to correct spelling of name of John Joseph Wright, a laborer in the Precinct-3 R&B Department.

The next regular meeting of the Wood County Commissioners Court will be Friday, October 2,

2009 at 10 a.m. A special meeting of the court can be called with 72-hour public notice.