

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
August 28, 2018 ---- 8:30 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 28th day of August, 2018 the
Commissioners' Court in and for Tyler County, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting at the
Commissioners' Courtroom in Woodville, Texas, the following members of the Court present, to
wit:

JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
MARTIN NASH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
RUSTY HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
MIKE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
JACK WALSTON	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
DONECE GREGORY	COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

The following were absent: none thereby constituting a quorum. In addition to the above were:

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
SUE SAUNDERS	COUNTY TREASURER
TRISHER FORD	JUSTICE OF PEACE, PCT. #1
BRYAN WEATHERFORD	SHERIFF
TERRY ALLEN	CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER-JUVENILE
KEN JOBE	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

After calling the meeting to order, Judge Blanchette invited anyone offended by the customary prayer to step out in the hall and return after the conclusion of the prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag was led by Commissioner Marshall. The invocation was delivered by Stevan Sturrock, Commissioner Pct. #2-Elect.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nash and seconded by Commissioner Marshall to receive the minutes of August 15th, 2018. All voted yes and none no.

Budget amendments were not presented.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Walston** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the **allowances and accounts payable**, as presented by the County Auditor. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Marshall made the motion to approve the **county payroll** for the period August 15th – August 28th. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Walston**. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

No action was taken to seek bids to repair **county road 2025** to the **Tyler County Airport/Rodeo Arena**. Action had been taken in the previous meeting.

Commissioner Nash stated the commissioners were working on a **right-of-way policy for tax purposes**. Commissioner Marshall stated that it should be up to the taxpayer to ask the court for the right-of-way across their property to be removed from the tax role. Commissioner Walston

proposed the ROW policy for tax purposes on all **county roads**, should state the taxpayer would present the request to their commissioner with a copy of the deed and field notes; corners need to be plainly marked. The commissioner would then “check it out” and bring the request for action by the commissioners’ court. No action was taken.

The county auditor reported that of the bids received: Bronco, NAPCO, Garnier and DRC; NAPCO was the lowest bid. **Commissioner Hughes** made the motion to award the bid for **emergency standby services** to NAPCO. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All yes and none no.

Judge Blanchette motioned to approve the **APPRISS** service agreement for **Statewide Automated Victim Notification Service (SAVNS)** and **Victim Identification Notification (VINE) grant**. **Commissioner Walston** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. This replaces the R-14 service agreement. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Marshall made the motion to renew the Victim Identification Notification service (VINE). **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Judge Blanchette** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to table filling vacancies on **election judges and alternates** until the next meeting.

The County Clerk recommended the polling places having joint elections such as City of Woodville and City of Ivanhoe to have three clerks and remainder of the precincts to have two clerks. A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to set the maximum number of election clerks to three. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Walston**. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Walston motioned to approve the transfer of the Tundra truck from **emergency operations** to **Precincts #1 and #4**. **Commissioner Nash** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Walston** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to terminate the **AirMed Group Policy** for group and payroll deductions. AirMed will not pay if insured is not using their equipment. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Nash** to approve **Medical Transport Solutions** for group and payroll deductions. MASA pays for air or ground emergency transport. This will be at no expense to the county. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Marshall motioned to terminate **life insurance** from Standard Insurance Company, as requested by the County Auditor. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Nash**. The account is not serviced by Standard creating a very laborious workload on the staff. Texas Association of Counties (TAC) now offers a similar plan. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the proposal for **Voya Life Insurance** for employees and retirees through Texas Association of Counties (TAC). This policy replaces the policy by Standard Life. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Nash** and seconded by **Commissioner Walston** to approve the revisions to the **Employee Handbook**, as requested by the County Auditor. The updates are in red; no changes in the policy. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Since opening the bids for **repairs to the Tyler County Jail Cell Blocks** was advertised to be opened at a regularly scheduled meeting on August 29th, a motion to table was made by **Commissioner Marshall**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Walston motioned to table awarding the bids to **repair Tyler County Cell Blocks** since bids were not scheduled to be opened until August 29th. There would not be a quorum at the meeting due to the TAC Legislative Conference in Austin. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Nash**. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Walston** to approve the **Capital Asset Policy**, as presented by the County Auditor. This policy is more detailed to meet the requirements of GASB. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Walston motioned to ratify the contract with the Linebarger Law Firm for collection of delinquent taxes. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Nash**. The contract was approved on June 12, 2017 but never signed. John Manuel had a copy with his signature only. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Marshall motioned the adoption of fixed Sheriff fees of \$35 per parcel, for services connected to tax sales, as requested by Sheriff Weatherford. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All voted yes and none no.

Executive Session was not held.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nash and seconded by Commissioner Marshall that the meeting adjourn. All voted yes.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:58 a.m.

I, Donece Gregory, County Clerk and ex-officio member of the Tyler County Commissioners Court, do hereby certify to the fact that the above is a true and correct record of the Tyler County Commissioners Court session held on August 28, 2018.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 10th day of September, 2018.

Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk