

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
October 29, 2018 ---- 8:30 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 29th day of October, 2018 the
Commissioners' Court in and for Tyler County, Texas convened in a Special Meeting at the
Commissioners' Courtroom in Woodville, Texas, the following members of the Court present, to
wit:

JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
RUSTY HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
MIKE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
JACK WALSTON	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
KATRINA WALSTON	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

The following were absent: Commissioner Nash thereby constituting a quorum. In addition to
the above were:

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
BRYAN WEATHERFORD	SHERIFF
ANNE PICKLE	CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY
TERRY ALLEN	JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICER
SUE SAUNDERS	COUNTY TREASURER
SONDRA WILLIAMS	TYLER COUNTY HOSPITAL

ADMINISTRATOR

The invocation was delivered by Judge Blanchette. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance to the
American Flag.

Judge Blanchette introduced special guest, Everett Kelley, Judge Advocate for the Texas
Department of the Purple Heart Order and Mrs. Kelley, along with Lazaro Camarillo. Judge
Blanchette read the proclamation recognizing members of Tyler County that are recipients of the
Purple Heart medal. A motion was made by **Commissioner Walston** to receive the Purple Heart
Symbol (TXTDOT approved) and declare Tyler County as a **Purple Heart County** honoring
county veterans. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.
SEE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION

A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall and seconded by Commissioner Nash to receive
the minutes of September 17th, 26th and 27th, 2018. All voted yes.

Budget amendments/line item transfers, were not presented by the County Auditor.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to
ratify paying the **county bills**; and, paying the invoice to NetData for software support. All voted
yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Marshall motioned to approve the **county payroll**. **Commissioner Walston**
seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Anne Pickle entered the meeting.

Commissioner Walston motioned to accept the **Quarterly Investment Report**, as presented by the County Treasurer. Her goal is to make \$100,000 in interest by the end of the year. Judge Blanchette and Commissioners thanked her for the job she was doing. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED REPORT

Terry Allen named members of the Child Welfare Board that had been appointed and further reported some concerns that the contract calls for the Commissioners' Court to appoint members to serve for three-year terms that DFPS will not change. **Judge Blanchette** motioned to act upon the requirement to approve **FY19 County Child Welfare Services Non-Financial Agreement** with the **Texas Department of Family & Protective Services. (DFPS)**; noting that the Chief, who has been a member of the board for 26 years, has called specific items to attention; and, because she did not get satisfactory answers from the actual organization pertaining to questions, the court will continue as they have always have; and, the local individuals, appointed by the court and whom the court has full confidence in will continue to serve and represent those whom they serve; and, the court will continue to identify those members. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Walston**. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Walston** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to open Request for Proposals for **No-Cost Emergency Management Services** contracts. Mrs. Skinner opened the proposals that were received from Acadia, American Medical Response and Allegiance Mobile Health. Judge Blanchette acknowledged Tracy Bump, Ken Jobe and Sondra Williams for their expertise and input toward making a recommendation to the court for a decision on how to take care of the citizens of the county as to ambulance services. The court will be waiting on a recommendation from the committee. Sheriff Weatherford added that the main goal was to make our citizens are going to be "protected and provided for". All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Judge Blanchette motioned to reappoint Larry Trest to the **Tyler County Appraisal District Review Board (ARB)** for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to advertise for bids for the sale of **scrap metal** at the county barns in Precinct #2 and #3. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Walston**. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between **Big Thicket National Preserve** and the county sheriff for placement of **radio equipment** at the **Town Bluff Radio Site**. All voted yes and none no.

Judge Blanchette motioned to start the procurement of services for engineering and administrative services for the **DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey GLO Recovery Money**.

Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. Ken Jobe and Jill Davis will call Leslie Waxman to see if there needs to be clarification of GLO or FEMA.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Walston** to appoint the following members as a **committee** to develop the scope of work for the **DR-4332 Hurricane Harvey GLO Recovery Money** and serve as a rating committee: Ken Jobe, Kathy Bennett, mayor of City of Ivanhoe, and Judge Blanchette as the core voting members. Judge Blanchette asked the county auditor, Jackie Skinner to meet with them also. Discussion was had about there being a minimum of three voting members. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Executive Session was not held.

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:20 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 October 29, 2018.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 16th day of November, 2018.

Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk