

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

SPECIAL MEETING

May 19, 2022 ---- 10:00 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 19th day of May, 2022 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
JOE BLACKSHER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
MIKE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3, presiding
BUCK HUDSON	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
DONECE GREGORY	COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

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

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
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After calling the meeting to order, Judge Blanchette stated "it is the practice of the court to exercise an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Anyone who may not be comfortable with the practice may wish to step out into the hall and rejoin once the portion of the agenda begins with public comments." Commissioner Blacksher delivered the invocation and then led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Sal Baldovinos, representing Concerned Citizens of Tyler County- stated he represented the "idiots" and "so-called" Concerned Citizens of Tyler County and would yield his time to Neil Alderman.

Neil Alderman- stated he had sent a public information request to the county judge and the county treasurer a few days ago. Also, one of the concerned citizens had sent a request to "you guys" requesting information concerning questions about when and if there were conversations that took place regarding the employee handbook, someone asking if they could run for a position. At that point in time, there was something in the manual that perhaps it was deemed it wasn't supposed to be in there. She received an email from the Iglesias law firm that stated they were representing the county and the county auditor, with respect to open records request. He was under the impression that hiring another attorney would have to go through commissioners court. "If citizens decided to file a grievance against the commissioners or auditor, wouldn't that be a major conflict if they are representing those folks as well as the county"? He also expressed concerns that public information request to "governmental bodies" would have to go through the district attorney. SEE ATTACHED. Mr. Alderman wants the statute or code that allows the hiring of another attorney without it being approved through the court.

TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S):

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to appoint Joe Blacksher to serve in the open position on the **Tri-County Community Action Board**. Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. Commissioner Blacksher, Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Hudson all voted yes and none no.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes from previous meeting- none. Minutes will be presented and the regular meeting.
Monthly reports: Monthly reports will be presented at the regular meeting

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ORDERS: none

CONSIDER/APPROVE/INFORMATION:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to hire professional engineering services from Goodwin Lasiter Strong (GLS) to review and approve the Lakeland Ranch Section 3 subdivision application. The motion was seconded **Commissioner Hudson**. Commissioner Blacksher, Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Hudson all voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to purchase **right-of-way** on two tracts of land from Three Tree Southern Grown LLC for \$5500 and Talavera Timber L.P. for \$2500, out of the Right-of-Way Fund. The tracts being in the Joseph Peters Survey, A-511 and the Richard Smith Survey A-584 along **CR1700** at the Kimball Creek crossing to be dedicated to the county for perpetual use as a roadway. The motion was seconded **Commissioner Marshall**. Commissioner Blacksher, Commissioner Marshall and Commissioner Hudson all voted yes and none no.

COMMENTS BY COURT MEMBERS PERTAINING to MATTERS of COUNTY GOVERNMENT: none

EXECUTIVE SESSION: not held

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED: 10:14 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 May 19th, 2022.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 8th day of June, 2022.

Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk