

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
June 9, 2025 ---- 10:00 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 9th day of June, 2025 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:

MILTON POWERS	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
JOE BLACKSHER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
DOUG HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
MIKE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
KELLY JOBE	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

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

STEPHANIE VOTH	ASST. COUNTY AUDITOR
LEANN MONK	COUNTY TREASURER
BRYAN WEATHERFORD	SHERIFF
MELISSA CARSON	TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR
BROOKE MONTALBANO	ASST. CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY
JOHN SETTLOCKER	EMERGENCY MNGT. COORDINATOR

After calling the meeting to order by Judge Powers, Commissioner Hughes led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. The invocation was delivered by Sheriff Weatherford.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

L.R. Johnson- did not attend to speak to Funding for AED's for the Volunteer Fire Departments of Tyler County and Response Time of Ambulance Service and Upgrades for All ESD Equipment

Colleen Vera- dog/animal dumping on people's property: Texas Legislature has set aside thirteen million dollars to assist with spaying and neutering. Requested the court to create a task force to go to the state and ask for state funds.

TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

Commissioner Marshall motioned to take from tabled the Resolution for Tyler County to accept the **Dedication of Road Easements on PR 7110**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. **Commissioner Marshall** motioned to adopt the Resolution for Tyler County to accept the **Dedication of Road Easements on PR 7110**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Marshall motioned to take from tabled the **Dedication of Road Easements on PR 7110** to a county-maintained road by Precinct #3 and given a county road number using new documentation, including petition information and map. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. **Commissioner Marshall** motioned to approve the **Dedication of Road Easements on PR 7110** to a county-maintained road by Precinct #3 and given a county road number using new documentation,

including petition information and map. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Hughes motioned leave tabled the renewal of County Child Welfare Services Non-Financial Agreement HHS0015826 for 2025 and remained tabled to the next meeting. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Blacksher and seconded by Commissioner Mashall to receive the minutes of April 14, 2025. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Marshall made a motion to receive the monthly reports from the **Juvenile and Adult Probation Departments, County Clerk, District Clerk, County Extension, County Auditor, and Nutrition Center**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS/ORDERS:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to proclaim June 2025 as **Elder Abuse Awareness Month** in Tyler County, as presented by the board president and regional director of Adult Protective Services. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

CONSIDER/APPROVE/INFORMATIONAL:

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to approve the **budget amendment/line-item transfers**. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the **accounts payable/county bills**, as submitted by the County Auditor. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

The **County Treasurer's monthly report** was approved at the Special Meeting in May. No further action was taken.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to accept the monthly donation from **Riley Funeral Home** for senior activities at the Tyler County Nutrition Center. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to consider the purchase of a 2026 Dodge Durango for the sheriff's vehicles. Sheriff Weatherford ask to rescind the request at this time. No action was taken.

Commissioner Hughes motioned to approve the Sam Houston Electric Cooperative (SHECO) **2025 Staging Site Agreement**. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commission Marshall** to ratify the renewal of IBM iSeries hardware and software maintenance with i3 Verticals for **district clerk, county clerk, justice of peace offices and district attorney's office**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the **Tyler County Truck Driving Academy Reimbursement Agreement/Policy**. Judge Powers explained the county would assist in payment for training with stipulations of employment. This will be out of the education line-item for each department that uses it. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Terry Allen reported there were 20 Summer Youth Interns in the program for 2025. The interns were at the meeting to observe the county government proceedings as a learning experience. **Commissioner Marshall** motioned to approve **general fund** compensating the Summer Youth Work Program by transferring \$45,000 to the **child safety fund**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to create an **Information Technology "IT" and Cybersecurity Board**. Donald Calhoun recommended three to four board members with knowledge of IT, financial knowledge and needs assessment. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to approve **Tyler County Courthouse Restoration/Preservation Project, Inc.** to reimburse Tyler County for the proposed scope of work provided by the LaBiche Architectural Group, Inc. for the replacement of the 1st and 2nd floor front entrance doors to the Courthouse and replacement of two inside doors on the 2nd floor. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. Mary Nell Rainey pointed out books and Case knives as fundraisers for the courthouse restoration projects.

Kay Timme representing the Tyler County Historical Commission, brought forth their idea to restore the doors. Sara Climber stated there were some outside donors willing to supplement the cost. Commissioner Blacksher reported he had found out that since it was a continuation of the project, the court would not have to advertise for competitive bids. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to **refinance the Mack truck lease #30019298 for Precinct 1** with First National Bank Wichita Falls. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to appoint, Gregory Allen Bell, Jr., to the **ESD #6 Board of Commissioners**. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to authorize the purchase of a **911 Recorder for the sheriff's department emergency services**. Sheriff Weatherford stated DETCOG will reimburse up to \$15,000. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commission Marshall** to approve **flooring for the Tyler County Clerk's office** housed in the former J. B. Best Building. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to approve the rental of an AVGAS truck for the October 25 **Tyler County Chamber Airshow** to be paid out of Economic Development Fund. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to contract with Jimmy Andrews Trucking to haul the AVGAS Truck to and from the Tyler County Airport for the October 25th **Tyler County Chamber of Commerce Airshow** in the amount of \$1200.00 to be paid out of the Economic Development Fund. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Hughes motioned to appoint Joe Blacksher to serve as Deep East Texas Council of Governments & Economic Development District (DETCOG) Board Member as Tyler County Representative from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

COMMENTS BY COURT MEMBERS PERTAINING TO MATTERS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Commissioner Blacksher- task force to manage abandoned animals; money is the issue; indepth research

Leann Monk-hotel occupancy tax ...have gone out. Independent billing from January to July have gone out with good responses

Judge Powers- summer employee program

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED- 11:07 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 June 9, 2025.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 27th day of June, 2025.

Attest: _____
Donece Gregory, County Clerk