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TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER' COURT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
JANUARY 21, 1975  
10:30 A.M.

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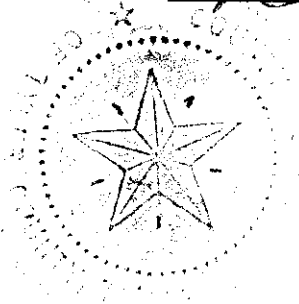
At the Meeting of the Tyler County Commissioner's Court held on the above date and time, all members were present and the Meeting opened with a prayer.

Mr. Brown of the Texas County and District Retirement System spoke to the Court about it's retirement plan. It is to be continued Friday January 24.

A motion was made by Comm. Jordan and seconded by Comm. Parks that the report of the Health Department on the Tyler County jail be incorporated in the minutes. All voted yes, none voted no. See the attached report.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned.

SIGNED: Tom D. Mann Tom D. Mann, County Judge  
Joe I. Best Joe I. Best, Comm. Pct. #1  
H.M. Parks H.M. Parks, Comm. Pct. #2  
Kenneth Belt Kenneth Belt, Comm. Pct. #3  
James R. Jordan James R. Jordan, Comm. Pct. #4  
ATTEST: Allen Sturrock Allen Sturrock, County Clerk





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January 16, 1975

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Honorable Tom D. Mann  
Tyler County Judge  
Courthouse  
Woodville, Texas 75979

Subject: Jail Inspection  
Tyler County

Dear Judge Mann:

We have received a report from Mr. Bruce R. McGee, R. S., of this Department's Public Health Region 7 Office, concerning his inspection of the subject facility on December 4, 1974. The evaluation of the facility was accomplished in company with Sheriff Lewis Craven, Chief Deputy Don Woodrome and Mr. E. D. Kennedy, R. S.

The inspection was made to determine if the county jail currently complies with the "Texas Minimum Standard Law for Jails", Article 5115 of Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. A copy is enclosed. The county was also provided with recommendations on the jail following our inspection of June 10, 1970.

The following comments and recommendations are based on Mr. McGee's recent inspection of the jail facilities. We trust that appropriate action will be taken to correct items of noncompliance.

1. Suitable Segregation

The Tyler County jail does not contain a sufficient number of cells to permit segregation of the various classes of prisoners as defined in the jail law. The inspection report also indicates that a suitably equipped enclosure is not provided for the temporary retention of insane prisoners.

2. Security and Safety

The Tyler County jail does not meet the minimum standards with regard to security and safety in the following areas:

- a. One-prisoner cells constitute less than 30% of the total designated prisoner capacity.
- b. Cells and dormitories for sleeping purposes which accommodate three or more prisoners do not have access to a day room.
- c. Multi-prisoner cells, compartments, or dormitories do not contain a minimum floor area equal to 18 square feet for each prisoner confined therein.

- d. The entrance to the cell block is not through a safety vestibule having one or more interior doors in addition to the main outside entrance door to such cell block, all arranged to be locked, unlocked, opened or closed by control means located outside of any such enclosure or cell block.
- e. Some prisoners in confinement have direct access to windows in the walls of the building.

### 3. Sanitation and Health

The jail does not meet the minimum standards with regard to sanitation and health in that:

- a. Each one-prisoner cell is not equipped with a water closet, a combination lavatory and drinking fountain, table and seat.
- b. Multi-prisoner cells do not have one water closet and one combination lavatory and drinking fountain for each twelve prisoners or fraction thereof.
- c. All compartments, cells, or dormitories are not provided with one bunk not less than 2 feet 3 inches wide and 6 feet 3 inches long for each prisoner confined therein.
- d. Each day room for the confinement of three or more prisoners is not provided with one water closet, one combination lavatory and drinking fountain, and one shower bath for each 12 prisoners or fraction thereof confined therein.
- e. The jail was not being maintained in a sanitary condition and in good repair.
- f. Plumbing fixtures for drinking water and for sewage disposal were inoperable.
- g. Windows and screens were not in good repair.
- h. The stairs leading to the jail could present a safety hazard to officers and prisoners.
- i. Natural ventilation and heating facilities observed appeared to be inadequate.
- j. Adequate lighting is not provided in cell blocks and other areas of the jail.
- k. The mattresses and blankets provided for prisoners were soiled and in need of cleaning and renovation at the time of inspection.

The responsibilities of this Department include notifying the commissioners court of each county as to that county's compliance or lack of compliance with the criteria set forth in the "Texas Minimum Standard Law for Jails", Article 5115, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes. Please consider this letter as the required official notification.

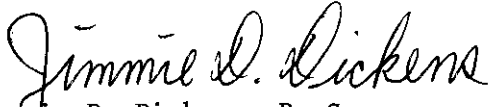
Also enclosed is a copy of the "Basic Diet for Sedentary Adults" for your information. This basic diet should be used as a guide in selecting food that will provide proper nutrition.

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The reception and cooperation extended to Messrs. McGee and Kennedy during the inspection of the Tyler County jail is sincerely appreciated. Please feel free to contact us on any matter in which you feel we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,



Jimmie D. Dickens, R. S.  
Chief Sanitarian

Through: Kenneth C. Lauderdale  
Kenneth C. Lauderdale, Director  
General Sanitation Division

JDD/yc  
Enc.

cc: Public Health Region 7  
Lewis Craven, Sheriff  
Mr. James H. Dillon, Attorney at Law  
John Q. Gilchrist, M. D.,  
Tyler County Health Officer

FOOD GROUPS	SERVING SIZE	DAILY AMOUNTS	MAJOR NUTRITIVE CONTRIBUTION
I. Milk and Milk Products (whole, skimmed, buttermilk)	1 cup (8 ounces)	Children: 3/4 to 1 quart Adults: 1 pint	Calcium Phosphorous Protein Riboflavin (B <sub>2</sub> )
II. Meat, Poultry, Fish, Eggs  Alternates: Peanut butter Dried Peas, Beans	2½-3 oz. meat (2 slices 4x1½x½ inch); 1 egg; 1 ounce cheese  2 Tbs. ½ cup, cooked	2 servings, cooked, lean 1 egg, at least 4 per week  4 Tbs. = 1 serving of meat 1 cup = 1 serving of meat	Protein Phosphorous Iron Thiamin B <sub>1</sub> Niacin B <sub>12</sub> Folic Acid
III. Fruits and Vegetables	½ cup, cooked 1 cup, raw or 1 piece of fresh fruit	4 servings from those listed below.	
A. Green and Yellow Vegetables (collard, turnip, mustard, spinach, carrots, yellow squash)		1 or more servings	Vitamin A Iron Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C)
B. Citrus Fruits (Oranges, grapefruit, or tomatoes, melons, berries)		At least one serving per day	Ascorbic Acid (Vitamin C) Supplement other vitamins and minerals
C. Potatoes, other vegetables, other fruits	½ cup cooked or canned 1 cup raw	2 servings per day	Vitamins and minerals in general; Energy Cellulose
IV. Bread, Flour and Cereal (whole grain or enriched)	1 slice bread ½ cup cooked cereal or grits ¾ cup dry cereal 1 pc. cornbread 1 tortilla	4 servings	Thiamine (B <sub>1</sub> ) Riboflavin (B <sub>2</sub> ) Niacin Iron Energy Cellulose
V. Butter or Fortified Margarine, Cooking Fat or Oil, or Salad Dressing	1 pat or 1 teaspoon	2 to 3 tablespoons or According to Prescription for Special Diets	Vitamin A Essential fatty acids Energy
VI. Sugar, Syrup, Sweets	1 teaspoon	No specific recommendations except for diabetics and other special diets	Energy
VII. Beverage	1 cup	As Desired	-----