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TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S COURT REGULAR MEETING June 8, 1987

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The Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court was held on Monday, June 8, 1987 at 10:00 A.M. All members being present. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Larry Trest, pastor of the Barnum Baptist Church.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and seconded by Commissioner Graham to approve the County Treasurer's monthly report. All voted yes and nome no. SEE ATTACHED.

Commissioner Barnes made a motion to accept the Probation Department's monthly report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conner. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

Commissioner Graham made a motion to accept the monthly report of J.P. #1, Wanda Brasher. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barnes. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes to approve the County Auditor's monthly report as submitted by Janie DuBose. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graham. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham and seconded by Commissioner Barnes to authorize Janie Marquiss, County Extension Agent, to solicit bids for the purchase of a typewriter for her office. The bids will be opened at the next regular meeting. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Jordan made a motion to grant a 30% tax exemption for homesteads as has been done for the two previous years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graham. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham to grant a \$11,400.00 exemption on homesteads for persons over 65 as recommended by the Tax Assessor-Collector, Barbara Tolbert. This exemption has also been given in previous years. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conner. All voted yes and node no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and seconded by Commissioner Graham to authorize Janie DuBose, Co.Auditor, to request proposals from Certified Public Accounts for an annual independent audit of the fiscal year 1987. The C.P.A.'s will be asked to give proposals for contracts of 1 year and 3 years. All voted yes and none no.

Discussion was had between the court, Dennis Ultican and Jim Griffith concerning the reimbursable items billed to the County. Mr. Griffith expressed to the court that they were willing to work toward an agreement that would be satisfactory. When questioned by the Commissioners, Mr. Ultican stated that he would not submit a final bill until the Justice Center is complete. And that he would prepare a "Letter of Agreement" as an addendum to the contract between the court and his firm.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and seconded by Commissioner Conner to allow payment of \$1,379.49 to A.I.D. for professional services, the balance will be discussed at a later time.

A "Letter of Agreement" will have to be approved by Pat Hardy, Criminal District Attorney. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

County Judge, Josiah Wheat requested Mr. Malcolm Collier to obtain a proposal of liability coverage as per the Texas Tort Claims Act. A motion was made by Commissioner Graham to authorize Mr.Collier to renew the liability coverage policy for all county vehicles. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conner. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham in support of the recommendation of Tax Assessor/Collector, Barbara Tolbert to terminate the contract with Mark Sax, attorney at law. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conner. The contract will be terminated effective July 1. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

Barbara Tolbert stated to the court that she had received proposals from Russell Graham and Chester Young for the collection of delinquent taxes. Mrs. Tolbert recommended that the County enter into contract with Chester Young. A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to table the retention of Mr. Young as the delinquent tax attorney until the Criminal District Attorney, Pat Hardy, has studied his contract. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barnes. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner Graham that David Davis be appointed as Deputy Constable for Precinct #2 as recommended by Sherriff Leon Fowler. All voted yes and none no.

Mr.Roger Ray, foreman of the Grand Jury, gave the Grand Jury's report and recommendations to the court. SEE ATTACHED.

Russ Moses with Beaumont Telephone reported to the court his recommendations of a telephone system for the courthouse. This system would provided switchboard capabilities. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan and seconded by Commissioner Graham to rescind the motion previously made to accept bid from AT&T for telephones for the clerk's office. The proposal proved to be unsatisfactory due to the added expense of a maintenance contract. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham to enter into contract with Beaumont Telephone, distributors for Southwestern Bell Telecom. This would be a 48 month lease/purchase plan for 3 executive phones and 1 standard phone with option of Plan B for the County Clerk's department. The monthly price of \$55.86 includes the maintenance contract for the term of the lease. Mr. Moses assured that the system could be connected with a single-line phone in case of a power failure. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Barnes. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED. At the end of the lease the phones may be purchased for \$1.00.

THE COURT RECESSED AT 12:30 P.M.

COURT RECONVENED AT 1:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Commissioner Graham to approve the monthly report from the County Extension departments. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jordan to accept the bid from Danny Self on the Ford LTD 1983 car in the amount of \$2200.00. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graham. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

Commissioner Graham made a motion to reject all bids on the pick-up truck and to make a decission later as to it's transfer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

Commissioner Graham made a motion to approve payment to Charles Williamson for contract labor as janitor at the same hourly rate of janitor, Elisha Dill. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Conner to approve the payment of \$100.00 to Charles Williamson to remove dead limbs from oak tree on the courthouse square. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Graham. All voted yes and none no.