

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 08, 1996 --- 10:00 A.M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TYLER ON THIS THE 8th DAY OF JULY, 1996 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:

JEROME OWENS	COUNTY JUDGE, Presiding
MAXIE L. RILEY	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
A.M. BARNES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
JERRY MAHAN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
HENRY EARL SAWYER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
DONECE GREGORY	County Clerk, Ex-Officio

the following were absent: NONE thereby constituting a quorum. In
addition to the above were:

JOYCE MOORE	COUNTY AUDITOR
TINA BUMP	COUNTY TREASURER

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner
Sawyer to approve the minutes of May 13, 1996. All voted yes and
none no.

Commissioner Riley motioned to approve the monthly reports of the
Adult and Juvenile Probation Departments. The motion was seconded by
Commissioner Barnes. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED
REPORTS.

Commissioner Riley motioned to approve the monthly report of the
Justice of the Peace, Pct. #1. The motion was seconded by
Commissioner Sawyer. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED
REPORT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley to approve the monthly report
of the County Extension Department. Commissioner Barnes seconded the
motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHE REPORT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barnes and seconded by Commissioner
Riley to approve the monthly report of the County Auditor. All voted
yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT OF CONDITION.

Commissioner Riley motioned to approve the accounts payable from the
County Auditor's office, as submitted. Commissioner Sawyer seconded
the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED ACCOUNTS
PAYABLE PAID & GENERAL DISTRIBUTION LEDGER.

Steve Bird presented a renewal of a contract for collection of
delinquent taxes. He reported since they had been hired, \$578,472
including base tax penalties and interest had been collected. A
gross balance due of \$1,245,000.00 remains, which includes the 1995
delinquencies. Eight suits had been last week. Sandra Crittenden
was in agreement that their contract should be renewed. Judge Owens
added that collections were working a lot better along with the new
computer system installed at the tax office. A motion was made by
Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Mahan to approve the
renewal of the contract. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED CONTRACT

Cary Sims presented changes to the rules for the Fair Grounds.
Commissioner Riley was of the opinion that all events should be
sponsored by a resident of Tyler County for responsibility of the
grounds. A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by
Commissioner Mahan to table this matter until Friday, July 12th, in
order that changes may be made. All voted yes and none no.

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Commissioner Mahan presented the budget of the Tax Appraisal District. The increase of apprx. \$40,000 is due to aerial photography which needs to be done every 3 years and contracts for timber appraisals. Commissioner Mahan motioned the approval of the 1997 budget with Commissioner Riley seconding the motion. All voted yes and Commissioner Sawyer voted no. **ATTACHED.**

Commissioner Riley motioned the approval of changes to the Election Judges and Alternates:
Box #1 - Ruthie Rogers will replace Paul Bandsma as alternate judge
Box #18- Keith Fuller will replace Sharon Fuller as judge
Box #16- Geneva Stone will replace Cheryl Greenway as alternate judge. Commissioner Mahan seconded the motioned of the appointments as presented by the County Clerk along with the changes. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED LIST

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Sawyer to table consideration of tax abatements guidelines to a future date. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley to approve the "no change plan" of annual contributions to the County and District Retirement System. Commissioner Sawyer seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Mahan to appoint Donece Gregory, elected official and Lloyd Walker, citizen to the Regional Aging Advisory Council. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED LETTER.

Commissioner Mahan motioned to appoint R.B. Moffett (Pct#3), Imogene Stevens (Pct#2), Lee Brown (Pct#4) and Maxie Riley (Commissioner) to the Nutrition Center Board of Directors. Commissioner Sawyer seconded this motion. All voted yes and none no.

Toby Spurlock, Vice-President of First National Bank of Jasper, explained interest rate increase from 2.2% to 5.5% on the money market accounts. The General Fund had not received this increase, due to it not being on a money market account. He stated however this fund would receive the increase. He commended the County Treasurer for her looking out for the County's best financial interest. Commissioner Riley motioned to approve the monthly report of the County Treasurer. Commissioner Mahan seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED REPORT.

COURT ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.....11:07 A.M.

COURT IN REGULAR SESSION.....11:15 A.M.

A motion was made by Commissioner Riley and seconded by Commissioner Mahan to authorize James Clark to proceed with filing an answer or legal response to the suit filed by Ralph Ferguson, Sr. and Delores Ferguson and Ralph Ferguson, Jr. All voted yes and none no.

The meeting was adjourned by motion from Commissioner Riley.

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THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.....11:17 A.M.

SIGNED: Jerome Owens Jerome Owens, County Judge

Maxie L. Riley Maxie L. Riley, Comm. Pct. #1

A. M. Barnes A. M. Barnes, Comm. Pct. #2

Jerry Mahan Jerry Mahan, Comm. Pct. #3

Henry Earl Sawyer Henry Earl Sawyer, Comm. Pct. #4

ATTEST: Donece Gregory Donece Gregory, County Clerk