

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 13, 1998 --- 10:00 A.M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TYLER ON THIS THE 13th DAY OF APRIL, 1998 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 P. OWENS	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
MAXIE L. RILEY	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
A.M. BARNES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
JOE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
HENRY EARL SAWYER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
DONECE GREGORY	COUNTY CLERK

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

JOYCE MOORE	COUNTY AUDITOR
GARY HENNIGAN	SHERIFF

A motion was made by **Commissioner Riley** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the minutes of March 9th and March 13th, 1998. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Riley motioned to approve the **monthly report** of the **County Treasurer**. **Commissioner Barnes** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED REPORT.

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

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

A motion was made by **Commissioner Riley** to approve the **monthly reports** of the **County Extension Department**. **Commissioner Sawyer** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED REPORTS.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Sawyer** 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.

The only bid was opened and read aloud by the County Auditor for patrol cars. Discussion was had as to how this purchase would be paid. The County Auditor stated the cars can be paid out of the "contingency fund". Sheriff Hennigan stated the funds could come from revenue of "keeping prisoners" which he anticipates to collect over amount budgeted by July, 1998. A motion was made by **Commissioner Barnes** to award the bid to Knapp Ford Sales, Woodville for two new patrol cars for the Sheriff's Department, in the amount of \$ 39,347.40. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Sawyer**. All voted yes and none no.

The County Auditor opened and read aloud bids for a backhoe, Pct.#1:
Mustang Tractor, Lufkin... \$57,400 - tradein \$4500

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East Texas Machinery... \$57,720 - tradein \$5600
Highway Equipment Co., Houston \$76,704 (included tradein)
Commissioner Marshall motioned to table award until Friday, April 17th for further study. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Riley**. All voted yes and none no.

Bids were opened and read aloud for used equipment in Precinct #4:
Clarence Hicks - \$1501 Dump Bed
Max Lade - \$611 Pickup and \$35 Dump Bed
J.C. Wilson - \$255 pickup
Commissioner Sawyer motioned to award the equipment to the highest bidders: Sonny Hicks - Dump Bed and Max Lade - Pickup
Commissioner Riley seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Glen Anderson and Lewis Craven presented a request to change the polling place #9 from the sanctuary to the fellowship hall at Ebenezer Baptist Church. They indicated it was much more suitable for voting purposes. **Commissioner Marshall** motioned to authorize the change upon pre-clearance by the Voting Rights Section of the Justice Department, Washing DC. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Riley**. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Marshall motioned to reappoint **Commissioner Riley** to the Deep East Texas Council of Governments Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Barnes**. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Riley** and seconded by **Commissioner Sawyer** to approve the deputation of Tobie Regier as Deputy Clerk in the office of the District Clerk. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED DEPUTATION.

A contract for a gravel pit, to be given by Louisiana Pacific Corp. was discussed. **Commissioner Marshall** motioned to table approval until Friday for further study. **Commissioner Riley** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Appointment of alternates for the Grievance Committee was tabled until Friday, April 17th.

Commissioner Riley presented the need to look at updating the voting system from hand count to a ballot scanner. He motioned authorization for advertisement for bids for a ballot scanner system to be paid by time warrants not to exceed \$27,000 for three years. Bids will be opened May 11th. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Commissioner Sawyer motioned the meeting adjourned.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED...10:35 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

Joe Marshall Joe Marshall, Comm. Pct. #3

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

ATTEST: Donece Gregory Donece Gregory, County Clerk