

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
December 12, 2003 ---- 8:30 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 12th day of December, 2003 the
Commissioners' Court in and for Tyler County, Texas convened in a Special Meeting at
the Commissioners' Courtroom in Woodville, Texas, the following members of the Court
present, to wit:

JEROME OWENS	COUNTY JUDGE, Presiding
C. D. WOODROME	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
RUSTY HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
JOE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
JACK WALSTON	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
SHARON FULLER	COUNTY TREASURER
GARY HENNIGAN	SHERIFF

A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall and seconded by Commissioner Walston
to approve the minutes of December 8, 2003. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Hughes motioned to approve paying the **Tyler County bills** as
submitted. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.
SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner
Marshall** to approve the **line-item transfers** from the following departments:

Commissioners Court Approp.	District Clerk/Jury	County Court
Tax Assessor/Collector	Sheriff	Road & Bridge #1
Road & Bridge #2	Road & Bridge #3	1-A Judicial District

All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

Commissioner Woodrome motioned to authorize advertisement for proposals for an
independent audit firm, as recommended by the County Auditor. The proposals will be
opened at the January meeting of Commissioners' Court. **Commissioner Walston**
seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Woodrome** to approve \$225 per officer to attend
a Child Abuse Seminar. 173 families and 384 kids were served in the County as reported
to the court. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Jerri Davis Smart made a presentation concerning the historical 120 year old home of
W.T. Colmesneil, located on two and ½ lots at 260 Pitzer Street in Colmesneil. She is
refurbishing the home into a museum and library, for which she will be seeking grant
funding. A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by
Commissioner Walston to grant an ad valorem tax exemption to the home and lots for
public library and museum purposes. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Sharon Fuller introduced Carlene, executive director of ETHAN and other members of
the East Texas Health Access Network. They presented the purpose of ETHAN as a
network for low income individuals needing health care, giving financial relief to Tyler
County Hospital in some instances. The board had received grant funds of \$41,000 for
the first year from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Janet Calder reported they
would not receive funding from this foundation for 2004 unless the five counties served
by ETHAN would support the network in real dollars. Newton County has pledged
\$2000. A motion was made by **Commissioner Woodrome** to pledge \$1500 of the \$3000

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requested, since this was not a previously budgeted item of the County budget. **Commissioner Walston** seconded this motion. All voted yes and none no. The Court ask for a report within a month to determine if all the funds had been secured for the required match. SEE ATTACHED REQUEST

A motion was made by Commissioner Walston and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to approve the plat of Odom Place Subdivision, Section 3 for recording purposes only. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by Commissioner Woodrome to reject the bids of the used patrol cars from the Sheriff's Department. Commissioner Marshall seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Hughes motioned to purchase a two new patrol units for the Sheriff's department.: Phillpott Ford \$20,260 and another from Allison Chevrolet - \$17,800. Commissioner Walston seconded the motion. All votes yes and none no.

Commissioner Marshall updated the court on the proposed cost of repairing the roof at the Courthouse Annex/Tax Office. Judge Owens indicated this was an emergency matter due to the rainy season and motioned to authorize Commissioner Marshall to negotiate bids for the repairs; with the stipulation that the contractor carry liability insurance. Commissioner Woodrome seconded this motion. All voted yes and none no.

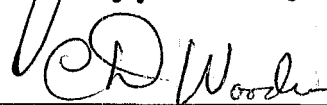
A motion was made by Commissioner Walston and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to renew the maintenance agreement for the ballot scanner, as presented by the County Clerk. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED AGREEMENT.

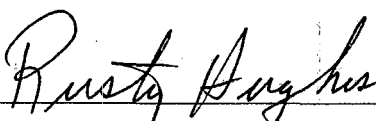
Donece Gregory reported that she had negotiated a longer warranty for the two new microfilm reader printers, therefore no action was needed to purchase a maintenance agreement at this time.

Commissioner Walston motioned the meeting adjourned.

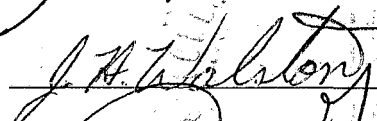
THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

SIGNED:  Jerome Owens, County Judge

 C.D. Woodrome, Comm. Pct. #1

 Rusty Hughes, Comm. Pct. #2

 Joe Marshall, Comm. Pct. #3

 Jack Walston, Comm. Pct. #4

ATTEST:  Donece Gregory, County Clerk