

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
August 8, 2016 11:30 A.M.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 8th day of August, 2016 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:

JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE	COUNTY JUDGE, Presiding
MARTIN NASH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
RUSTY HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
MIKE 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:

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
BEN KISSEE	ASST. CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY

*The meeting started approximately 12:00 p.m. due to time of the Public Hearing going
over into the posted time 11:30 a.m. for this meeting.*

Judge Blanchette reported there was an action item posted for 11:30 a.m. as an agenda to
consider and possibly approve the creation of a special taxing district to support Lake
Amanda dam reconstruction as put on the agenda by Commissioner Marshall.

Commissioner Marshall stated the court has another regular meeting next week and
would still keep "us" in the time frame. In the form of a motion, **Commissioner
Marshall** would like to table action until next week to give more time for it to be
discussed. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Walston**. All voted yes and none
no.

Commissioner Nash pointed out to those in attendance: this was not the court's first time
to deal with this situation. He has Wildwood Lake and Lake Ivanhoe in his precinct. This
is Wildwood's second round and their lake is dry now. It took Ivanhoe seven years and
got lucky. Wildwood is watching this meeting. The court understands and he will not be
taking the matter lightly. It is a "nightmare" any way "you go with it". Wildwood has had
the same situation for two years with no answer. "Look real deep to see what you want
out there; if you want water or don't want water". "Maintaining a private lake is rough."

Judge Blanchette agreed that all "our hearts go out to these guys". "We've been through
a lot of hurricane damages throughout the county through the years." With respect to
"Pogo": If it's a good idea today it will be a good idea tomorrow. Commissioner Marshall
has identified that the court will still be able to act within the time frame. Lot of deep
emotions attached to land and holding back emotions of the parentage that saw this
property and the name-sake of the family that created it and the balance on the other side
is money.

Commissioner Walston added that they all had fond memories of Lake Amanda, his
goes back to 1967.

Claudia Hamilton inquired if they could still contact the court with information they
"may have." The judge answered in the affirmative; the court is here at "your pleasure"
and "your trust"; it affects everybody. She then asked for a definitive answer about the
non-resident owners and their ability to vote; it would lay a lot of issues to rest. **Judge
Blanchette** answered that he had read a little about that but was not totally at peace with
what he had understood. **John Stover** interjected that they were not eligible to vote- only
those within the district... "registered voters", as added by the County Clerk. Mr. Stover
made it clear: "registered voters and live within the district."

Commissioners' Court
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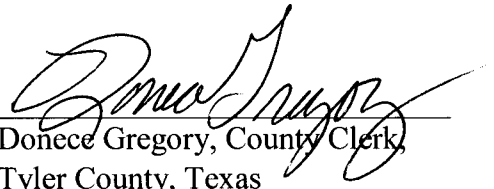
Leigh Cowart – understanding that the vote next week would be the vote to put “it” up for election for the people to vote on. Appreciates that they will be able to give the court some more information and will some more homework.

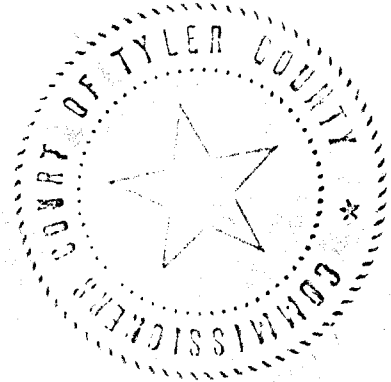
A motion was made by Commissioner Nash and seconded by Commissioner Hughes that the meeting adjourn. All voted yes and none no.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED.

I, Donece Gregory, County Clerk and ex officio member of the Tyler County Commissioners Court, do hereby certify to the fact that the above is a true and correct record of the Tyler County Commissioners Court session held on August 8, 2016.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 26th day of August, 2016.

Attest: 
Donece Gregory, County Clerk,
Tyler County, Texas





TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

County Courthouse, Room 101 / Woodville, Texas

Monday
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11:30 AM

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JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE
County Judge

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- Establish Quorum

I. CONSIDER/APPROVE

- A. Creation of Special Taxing District to Support Lake Amanda Dam Reconstruction – M. Marshall**

➤ **ADJOURN**

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Executed on August 4, 2016 Time 2:00 PM
Donece Gregory, County Clerk/Ex Officio Member of Commissioners Court

By: Katelyn Murray (Deputy)

Donece



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m/w to table All yes
 Comm Nash → Iumhoe ; Wildwood

ADJOURN - 12:10 pm

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By: _____ (Deputy)

— Suspend action until All can hear →

→ continue w/ Public hearings

Kevin Drouett → Pres Public Hearing - WCID #1

Howard Fetner

Kathy Fetner

Lane

Lane

Mendoza

Braker

Andrew

LoJue

Capidona

Board

(LAPDA)

plus

levy tax for maintenance fees

present need for way to finance repair of dam to catastrophic loss of dam.

suggested dues \$500
Cmty not impose mand dues

long term ^{low} interest

Dam repaired by end of next year
retain loss of value

7yrs not acceptable

Amanda Harrison → backs the LAPDA
30yrs writes grants

? make lake public
wants a solution that is sustainable

Claudia Hamilton → home focus is to get lake back & keep lake private
WCID does not address. Feel board has decided w/out disclosure to prop owners
165 prop own eqnts 6000 per owner to raise 1 million to rebuild dam.
Need more time

Lee Cowart → Not for need time & more involvement

Rhonda Hopkins → wants all options shared. want lake to stay private
owners have not been presented w/ how it will affect their taxes.

Bobbie Lord → signed pet but do feel WCID may should be last resort
question lake would be turned over to WCID & prop owners would not have a say

Christine Martin → agree need time - felt stifled at meeting & left because felt
Dycote - ? poison in the water → meeting was not disclosed.

Christopher Bennett → had 3 letters from LAPDA but none disclosed
did not know of this public hearing

Frank Vance → "get involved before it hits the fan".

Studer wants to respond - Judge doesn't want to get into debate
→ classified court is only appr Dist subject to the creation of the dist.

N/W to close
Pubc Hearing
12:10 pm