TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING April 13, 2020 ---- 11:00 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 13th day of April, 2020 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:

JACQUES L. BLANCHETTE COUNTY JUDGE, presiding

MARTIN NASH

STEVAN STURROCK

MIKE MARSHALL

BUCK HUDSON

COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1, via phone

COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2, via phone

COMMISSIONER. PCT. #3, via phone

COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4, via phone

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, via phone

TRISH FORD JUSTICE OF PEACE, PCT. #1, via phone

SONDRA WILLIAMS TYLER CO HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR, via

phone

TERRY ALLEN JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICER

After calling the meeting to order, the invocation was delivered by Donece Gregory. The Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag was suspended.

After calling the meeting to order, Judge Blanchette stated "it is the practice of the court to exercise an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Anyone who may not be comfortable with the practice may wish to step out into the hall and rejoin once the portion of the agenda begins with public comments." Judge Blanchette delivered the invocation and then led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

In complying with the implementation of social distancing due to the CoVid19 (Coronavirus) pandemic, members of the court participated in the meeting by way of conference call. The meeting was also videotaped to make available on the Tyler County website.

Glen Kenny, resident of Dam-B area signed up to make comments. Mr. Kenny expressed concern for the CoVid19 quarantine, calling it a "forced lock-down". He was adamant that people, working in non-essential businesses, need to get back to work, indicating his concern for the economy.

Commissioner Marshall motioned to receive the minutes of March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 23rd, 2020. Commissioner Sturrock seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Nash made a motion to approve the monthly reports from the Juvenile Probation Department (Adult Probation report was not presented), District Clerk, County Clerk, County Treasurer, County Auditor, County Extension and Justice of the Peace, Pct. 1.

Commissioner Hudson seconded the motion. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by Commissioner Sturrock and seconded by Commissioner Marshall to approve the Proclamation 2020-003, proclaiming April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Tyler County as presented by Terry Allen, Kathy Harris, Tonya Sheffield and Michell Cleaver (CPS Supervisor) all attending by conference call. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED PROCLAMATION

Commissioner Marshall motioned to open bids for Road & Bridge/hauling materials. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sturrock. All voted yes and none no. The sealed bids were opened by the County Auditor and voiced by phone conference call. She will scan and email the bids to the Commissioners:

Big 4, Inc. Jack Alexander, LTD Thomas Supply, Inc.

Gulf Coast

East Texas Asphalt Kirkpatrick Construction Bryan & Bryan & Bryan Asphalt

A motion was made by **Commissioner Sturrock** and seconded by **Commissioner Hudson** to open bids for **petroleum products.** All voted yes and none no. The sealed bids were opened by the County Auditor and voiced by phone conference call. She will scan and email the bids to the Commissioners:

Gardner Oil

C & I Oil, Beaumont

Judge Blanchette read a proposal submitted by Jessica Rudy, representative with Dollar General. The present lease expires on September 30, 2020. A motion was made **Commissioner Nash** to table consideration of **lease renewal with Dollar General** for use of the building. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. All voted yes and none no.

A motion was made **Commissioner Nash** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to adopt an Order authorizing the **sale of fireworks** during the Memorial Day period (May 22 through midnight May 27). Commissioner Sturrock stated he agreed as long as an order does not restrict, nor an order by the Governor does not restrict. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made **Commissioner Sturrock** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve payment of **county bills**, including an invoice from Marsh Waterproofing in the amount of \$60,660.00 for work done on the courthouse roof, as submitted by the County Auditor. Judge Blanchette stated it was in alignment. A final inspection had been done. Work still needs to be completed for a door to where the tower is located. All voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

Judge Blanchette clarified the wording on the **Resolution for the Disaster Declaration** previously ratified. The Resolution inadvertently included limiting language that was not supported by the statute. The court has ratified the Resolution and that is all that is needed, per Eric MaGee.

Judge's Report- Courthouse Remediation Update: none

Executive Session was not held.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nash and seconded by Commissioner Marshall that the meeting adjourn. All voted yes.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED: 11:29 a.m.

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 April 13, 2020.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 24th day of April, 2020.

Donece Gregory, County Clerk