

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 8, 2024 ---- 10:00 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS                      ON THIS THE 8th day of July, 2024 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:

MILTON POWERS	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
JOE BLACKSHER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
DOUG HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
BUCK HUDSON	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
CHANTEL JAMES	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

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

After calling the meeting to order, Judge Powers recommended that due to impending weather and the safety of employees and citizens, that the meeting be recessed until the next day at 10:00 a.m.

A motion was made by Commissioner Blacksher and seconded by Commissioner Hughes to recess until July 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Allowed by the Local Government Code 551.0411 to recess and provision for catastrophe. Judge Powers added that county offices were closed, with exception of the emergency management office, until after the storm passes. All voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Blacksher prayed for safety for all the communities and damage to a minimum; and protection for first responders, road crews and linemen as they work for the safety of the public.

COURT RECESSED at 10:04 a.m.

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July 9, 2024 ---- 10:00 a.m.

The Commissioners' Court in and for Tyler County, Texas convened at the Commissioners Courtroom in Woodville, Texas, the following members of the Court present, to wit:

MILTON POWERS	COUNTY JUDGE, presiding
JOE BLACKSHER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
DOUG HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
MIKE MARSHALL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #3
BUCK HUDSON	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #4
KELLY JOBE	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

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

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
LEANN MONK	COUNTY TREASURER
BROOKE MONTALBANO	ASST. CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to come out of recess from July 8, 2024. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Blacksher led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. The invocation was delivered by Commissioner Blacksher.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: Carl Jackson- County Road 3400** in regard to road conditions and public safety. Mr. Jackson was not present at the meeting.

**TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:** none

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Minutes were not presented due to illness of the County Clerk.

**Commissioner Marshall** made a motion to receive the monthly reports from the **Juvenile and Adult Probation Departments, County Auditor, County Clerk, Nutrition Center and County Extension**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**PROCLAMATIONS/RESOLUTIONS/ORDERS:**

**Employees were recognized for years of service to Tyler County:** Tony Reynolds, Buck Hudson, Leann Monk, Pat Hardy, Joe Smith, Paula Nash, Randy Bouse, Robert Perkins, Maegan Pope and Casey Whitworth. **Commissioner Hudson, Leann Monk, Paula Nash and Maegan Pope** were present to receive certificates.

**CONSIDER/APPROVE/INFORMATIONAL:**

**Commissioner Blacksher** motioned to approve **budget amendments/line-item transfers**. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hudson** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to approve the **accounts payable/county bills**, as submitted by the County Auditor. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Blacksher** motioned to approve the **County Treasurer's monthly report**. **Commissioner Hudson** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Blacksher** motioned to accept the monthly donation from Riley Funeral Home for senior activities at the **Tyler County Nutrition Center**. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the annual software maintenance by **i3Verticals/NetData for the IBM SW maintenance and hardware maintenance- IBM HW** in the amount of \$4992.00. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hudson**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Marshall** motioned to approve the **Joint Election Agreements and ratify the Election Contracts** for the November 5, 2024, General Election. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hudson**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Marshall** motioned to re-appoint **Commissioner Blacksher** as the **2025 DETCOG Board Member**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve the Texas General Land Office Disaster Recovery Construction Change Order Contract between Tyler County and **Tunica-Biloxi Services** on GLO No. 22-119-009-D419, as presented by Nick Hoelscher, civil engineer. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to purchase a Kobelco SK75SR-7 Hydraulic Excavator with implements for **Precinct #3** in the amount of \$143,588.11 to be paid for by lease with First National Bank Wichita Falls. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hudson**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the procedure for payment of **jury money for district court** in accordance with CCP Section 104.001 and Local Government Code 113.048. The check will be made to the County Treasurer, instead of the District Clerk, to cash and passed out to jurors. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Blacksher** motioned the conditional approval of the re-plat of **Lakeland Ranch Section Nine(9)**. Two conditions- 1) provide a certificate from DETCOG confirming a road name associated with the subdivision 2) dimension of one side of the drainage and utility easement along property line between cul-de-sacs indicating the center of the easement is in the property line. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to declare a Kubota M108SDSC side mower-tractor S/N 70158 and Terrain King Mower KB2200 S/N 948106 as **surplus equipment**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

**Commissioner Hudson** motioned to transfer the Kubota M108SDSC side mower-tractor S/N 70158 and Terrain King Mower KB2200 S/N 948106 to the City of Ivanhoe, upon approval of the Ivanhoe city council. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

**Commissioner Blacksher** motioned to allocate \$50,000 to be applied to the **Road Materials line items of Precincts, 1,2,3 and 4 from Emergency Disaster Relief fund** to off-set the cost of materials incurred during the flooding disasters earlier this year. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. This will be to each precinct for a total of \$200,000. All commissioners voted yes and none no. The County Treasurer added, the money market account is earning 5.477% which is about \$20,000 per month in that line-item. The County Auditor stated the money was from FEMA for previous disasters.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hudson** to approve a Tyler County **policy for the disposition of the body of deceased paupers: \$870.00** for cremation (body pick-up) and \$995 for burial (includes casket). All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** to approve a monthly stipend of \$250 for the **Emergency Management Coordinator**, with the exempt employment status. Exempt employment status does not allow for overtime or time accrual unless it is during a state or federally declared disaster. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Marshall** to pay John Settlocker, **Emergency Management Coordinator**, overtime during the disaster declaration from April 26, 2024 through May 5, 2024. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to pay the assistant emergency management coordinator the \$300 **weather stipend** that has been previously budgeted. This will be monthly. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

**Commissioner Hughes** motioned to approve an addition of **Hilltop Securities** to the **Tyler County investment portfolio**. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Marshall**. A resolution will be presented next month. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

**Commissioner Blacksher** made a motion to amend the Jack Alexander, Ltd. Original bid to do prep work at the **Tyler County Airport** in the amount of \$2600.00 for an extra 100 feet of asphalt (32tons). **Commissioner Hudson** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED.

**COMMENTS BY COURT MEMBERS PERTAINING TO MATTERS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT:**

**Jackie Skinner-** budget on contingency: unexpected expenditures need to be transparency – lowering contingency budget and increasing line-item of the budget where it is paid; will be trying to amend each time it comes up, instead of the end of the budget cycle

**Judge Powers-** budget email have been sent out; a calendar is forthcoming; 2024 has been a good year; thanked Sondra for help getting AEDs (defibrillators) for each office; pray for “our linemen”

**Executive Session:** not held

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED- 10:38 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 July 8, 2024.

Witness my hand and seal of office on this the 16th day of August, 2024.

Attest:

Donece Gregory, County Clerk

