

TYLER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
REGULAR MEETING
April 13, 2026 --- 10:00 a.m.

THE STATE OF TEXAS ON THIS THE 13th day of April 2026 the Commissioners' Court in and for Tyler County, Texas convened in a Regular Meeting in the Commissioners' Courtroom in Woodville, Texas, the following members of the Court present, to wit:

MIKE MARSHALL	COUNTY JUDGE PRO TEM
JOE BLACKSHER	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #1
DOUG HUGHES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. #2
JANET BROWN	COUNTY CLERK, Ex-Officio

The following were absent: County Judge Milton Powers and Buck Hudson, Commissioner, Pct. 4, thereby constituting a quorum. In addition to the above were:

JACKIE SKINNER	COUNTY AUDITOR
LEANN MONK	COUNTY TREASURER
RENEÉ CREWS	DISTRICT CLERK
TERRY ALLEN	CHIEF JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICER
TONYA SHEFFIELD	ASST. EMERGENCY MNGT.COORDINATOR
SONDRA WILLIAMS	TYLER CO HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR
DONALD CALHOON	DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATOR

County Judge Pro Tem Mike Marshall called the meeting to order. Commissioner Hughes led the Pledge of Allegiance and delivered the invocation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ivanhoe City Mayor Skip Blackstone showed support for Commissioner Blacksher, hoping the grant project will be used for road repairs and rebuilding a bridge in Ivanhoe. And stating that this road is a major emergency evacuation route, he noted that over 1,000 people were stranded away from their homes during the last flood. His hope is to rebuild the bridge into a two-lane cement structure, making it a passable road and preventing future danger of wrecks.

Ivanhoe Chief of Police Steve Drumm reiterated Mayor Blackstone's statement, commenting that there have been several accidents at the dangerous curve. He hoped the Commissioners would support Commissioner Blacksher and have the project awarded to Ivanhoe for a better intersection, adding that it is a major evacuation route.

TABLED ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

A motion was made by **County Judge Pro Tem Marshall** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to leave on the table the additional CAD Interface Response Master Custom XML files via file transference transfer services with **Southern Software Inc.** All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to receive the minutes of March 30, 2026. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher made a motion to receive the monthly reports from the Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation, District Clerk, Extension CEA (Ag/NR), Extension CEA (FCH), Auditor, Justice of the Peace, PCT. 1, and the Nutrition Center DETCOG. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ORDERS:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to accept the presentation to the family of **Mandy K. Risinger, honoring her on Tyler County Government Day.** Mandy Risinger's family was present to accept the plaque. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Hughes made a motion to accept the proclamation declaring **April 2026 Child Abuse Awareness Month** presented by **Terry Allen/Tyler County Child Welfare Board**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. **County Judge Pro Tem Mike Marshall** read the proclamation and **Terry Allen, Chairman of the Tyler County Child Welfare Board**, commented on how the Commissioners' Court supports their program and introduced the board members. Ms. Allen stated that the numbers of death caused from child abuse reported by the state was much higher than indicated. She also directed the Juniors and Seniors present for Tyler County Government Day to "see something, say something."

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the appointment of **Dr. Matthew Lambeth to the Tyler County Child Welfare Board**. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes none no

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to accept the Proclamation declaring April 2026 Fair Housing Month. **County Judge Pro Tem Mike Marshall** read the proclamation. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to accept the resolution promoting County Government Day in Tyler County. Treasurer Leann Monk commented that juniors and seniors representing the surrounding Tyler County schools are present and learning about the local government. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

CONSIDER/APPROVE/INFORMATIONAL:

Budget Amendment/Line-Item Transfer:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the budget amendment/Line-Item Transfers for 2026 year-end-closeout. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher**. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to open bids for the Road & Bridge material, hauling petroleum products, and scrap metal. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to approve the **Accounts Payable/County Bills**. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to accept the **County Treasurer's monthly report February 2026**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher made a motion to accept the Deputation of **Linda Perkins, Deputy Clerk, County Clerk's office**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes none no.

Commissioner Hughes motioned installing two (2) extensions with two (2) phones for additional workstations in the **County Clerk's office**. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher**. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to approve the District Clerk's new **Datum Storage Solutions** quote of the balance due **\$140,098.63** after the **\$64,864.84** discount for **two (2) filing cabinets** for the old DA's office. **District Clerk Renee Crews** stated that it is much more than just two (2) filing cabinets. **Auditor Jackie Skinner** commented that because this vendor is a part of the **TIPS (The International Purchasing System, Contract #230301)**, it allows the county not to have to go out for bids and the **\$140,098.63** will be paid out of the **Record Preservation-Archive 034-000-48009**. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** to approve the agreement with **Sam Houston Electric Cooperative (SHECO)** for the use of the **Tyler County Fairgrounds**, as a staging site, during the event of a disaster. The agreement period will be effective from April 2026 through May 2027. **Commissioner Blacksher** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher made a motion to table approving the purchase of a **Kubota Skid-Steer for Pct. 3** and payment through a lease with **Investar Bank** (Formerly First National Bank of Wichita Falls). **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to approve the **Tyler County E538 Change Order No. 3** to increase the number of days of construction from 180 to 225 and make the new proposed end date April 27, 2027. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to consider the **GLO Invitation** for Tyler County to apply for funding through either project **24D-LCP-76-1344 at \$2,000,000.00** or **24D-LCP-676-1346 at \$1,000,000.00** for street improvements through local communities' program (must choose only one project). **Commissioner Marshall** seconded the motion. **Ms. Lesley Waxman**, with **David J. Waxman, Inc.**, stated that Tyler County was allowed to submit two projects for the application. Since Tyler County was chosen, they must choose which project. One project is two-million dollars (\$2,000,000.00), which would cover the Ivanhoe Project in Pct. 1; the other is one-million-one-hundred dollars (\$1,100,000.00) which would cover Cobb Mill Road in Pct 2. Ms. Waxman also stated that the decision must be made by 5:00 p.m. **Commissioner Blacksher** reiterated to the Ivanhoe Mayor and Chief of Police that this would not include the intersection but would include widening the road and repairing the bridge. **Commissioner Hughes** stated that he would have to fight for his constituents, which covers Pct. 2. After much discussion amongst the court, the motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** made a motion to approve project **24D-LCP-76-1344 at two-million dollars (\$2,000,000.00)** and **County Judge Pro Tem Mike Marshall** seconded the motion. **Commissioner Blacksher** voted yes, **County Judge Pro Tem Mike Marshall** voted yes, and **Commissioner Hughes** voted no. SEE ATTACHED

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** to approve the **2026 renewal for I3 Verticals IBM iService Suite** in the amount of **\$9,250.97**. **Commissioner Hughes** seconded the motion. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

Commissioner Blacksher motioned to table considering using Healthy County Funds to create a beautification walkway around the courthouse, using the current sidewalk, as well as making the old Domino Hall a designated reflection area to promote mental health in Tyler County. The motion was seconded by **Commissioner Hughes**. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

A motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to award the bid for **Road & Bridge Material** to all vendors, **Big 4, Inc.**, **Bryan & Bryan Asphalt903**, **Frankens Aggregate**, **Kirpatrick Construction**, **Rural Pipe & Supply, Inc.**, and **Texas Material Group, Inc. dba Gulf Coast**. Motion was made by **Commissioner Hughes** and seconded by **Commissioner Blacksher** to award the bid for **hauling** to **Kirpatrick Construction**, and **Gabriel Elizalde**. Motion made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to award the bid to **Gardner Oil Inc.** for the **petroleum products**, and no bids were received for scrap metal. **Auditor Jackie Skinner** made the comment that there were no bids, therefore, the price can be negotiated. All commissioners voted yes none no. SEE ATTACHED

COMMENTS BY COURT MEMBERS PERTAINING MATTERS OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Commissioner Blacksher mentioned the Fly-In and stated that Pct. 1 would be picking up the fuel truck with a gooseneck trailer. Also, the remaining cost of the Air Show Insurance for a ten-million-dollar (\$10,000,000.00) policy would be \$283.00.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by **Commissioner Blacksher** and seconded by **Commissioner Hughes** to enter the Executive Session at 11:33 a.m. All commissioners voted yes and none no.

BACK IN REGULAR SESSION: 12:15 p.m.

Formal action following Executive Session: no action taken

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

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING ADJOURNED – 12:16 p.m.

I, Janet Brown, 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, 2026.

Witness my hand and seal of office on the 13th day of April 2026.

Attest:


Janet Brown, County Clerk

