

REGULAR SESSION  
DECEMBER 9, 1974

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Titus County Commissioner's Court met in Regular Session on Monday, December 9, 1974 in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

William W. Landrum	County Judge
Rayford Taylor	Commissioner Precinct #1
Bert B. Parr	Commissioner Precinct #2
Hubert Martin	Commissioner Precinct #3
Den Bynum	Commissioner Precinct #4
Allen LaPrade	County Clerk

and the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

WAIVER

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TITUS

I, the undersigned County Attorney of Titus County, Texas, do hereby acknowledge that the Commissioners' Court of The said county has notified me to file suit for the collection of delinquent taxes in said County; however, due to the fact that it would be physically impossible for me to personally file and handle such suits, and at the same time to properly discharge the other duties of my office, and to the further fact that the statutes do not provide adequate compensation for a County Attorney to file and to prosecute suits for delinquent taxes, but do make adequate provisions for other attorneys to handle the same, I do hereby decline to file such suits and do hereby waive the thirty days written notice provided in Article 7335, Revised Civil Statutes, and do hereby agree that the Commissioners' Court of said County may contract with some other competent attorney to enforce or assist in the enforcement of the collection of delinquent State and County taxes.

Witness my hand this, the 9th day of December, A.D., 1974.

/s/ TULLY R. FLOREY  
COUNTY ATTORNEY  
Term Expires December 31, 1976,  
Titus County, Texas

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

On this the 9 day of December, 1974, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas, there came on for consideration the making of a contract for the collection of delinquent taxes, and motion was made by Bert Parr County Commissioner of Precinct No. 2, seconded by Hubert Martin County Commissioner of Precinct No. 3, that subject to approval by the Comptroller of Public Accounts and Attorney General of Texas said Commissioners' Court in behalf of said County do make and enter into a contract with Jack McCreary, a licensed attorney, for the latter to collect delinquent taxes in said County for 15% of the amount of Taxes, penalty and interest collected, said contract to end on the 31st day of December, 1976, with six months thereafter to complete pending suits, requiring said attorney to give bond in the sum of \$1,000.00, and to be on forms currently promulgated and recommended by the State Comptroller.

Said motion being put to vote, it carried by a vote of 4 to 0. Those voting "Aye" were:

Rayford Taylor, Commissioner Precinct #1  
Bert B. Parr, Commissioner Precinct #2  
Hubert Martin, Commissioner Precinct #3  
Den Bynum, Commissioner Precinct #4

Those voting (NO) were:

NONE

It is therefore ordered that said contract be prepared and executed, submitted to the Comptroller of Public Accounts and Attorney General of Texas, and if approved by them, recorded in the minutes of this Court:

/s/ WILLIAM WAYNE LANDRUM  
COUNTY JUDGE  
/s/ RAYFORD TAYLOR  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1  
/s/ BERT B. PARR  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2  
/s/ HUBERT MARTIN  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3  
/s/ DAN BYNUM  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

IN THE MATTER OF PAYING MONTHLY BILLS AND ROAD HANDS

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Martin to pay monthly bills and county road hands upon approval of county auditor. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING OFFICERS' MONTHLY EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Motion by Commissioner Bynum and seconded by Commissioner Parr to pay officer's expense accounts for November upon approval of county auditor. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING OFFICERS' MONTHLY REPORTS**

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Parr to approve monthly reports of County and District Clerk and County Treasurer's Report including quarterly report only. Justice of Peace report not available for approval. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING BOND AND DEPUTATION OF STEVE STEVENS**

Motion by Commissioner Bynum and seconded by Commissioner Martin to approve deputation and bond for Steve Stevens as Deputy Sheriff. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING FOR BID ON USED TRACK LOADER**

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Bynum to advertise for bids on one used 430 John Deere Track Loader. Bids to be opened on Friday December 20, 1974 at 10:00 A.M. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR TWO TYPEWRITERS**

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Judge Landrum to advertise for bids for two typewriters, one for county agent and one for county judge's office. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING 1975 BUDGET**

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Parr to adopt the 1975 Budget as presented by County Auditor, at public hearing Dec. 9, 1974 at 10:00 o'clock A.M. Motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING DEED OF LOUIS B. GOHMERT**

Motion by Judge Landrum and seconded by Commissioner Martin to accept Right of Way Deed of Louis B. Gohmert and approve payment of \$132.00, same to be paid out of Right of Way Fund upon approval of County Auditor. Motion carried.

**ORDER REGARDING CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR  
FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, 76TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Motion made by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Martin, that Titus County allocate and contribute the sum of \$366.80 for the year 1975 toward the salary and expense necessary to obtain a criminal investigator for the office of District Attorney for the 76th Judicial District, which includes Titus County, said funds expended by Titus County to be supplementary to the contribution of other counties within said District and available funding through the Criminal Justice Division. Motion carried.

**ORDER CANVASSING ELECTION RETURNS FOR TITUS COUNTY HOSPITAL  
DISTRICT TAX BOND ELECTION**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TITUS**

We, the undersigned officers of the Commissioners' Court of said County, hereby certify as follows:

1. That the Commissioners' Court of said County convened in regular MEETING ON THE 9 DAY OF DECEMBER, 1974, at the County Courthouse, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said Commissioners Court, to-wit:

William Wayne Landrum	County Judge
R.D. Taylor	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1;
Bert B. Parr	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2;
Hubert Martin	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3;
Dan Bynum	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4;
Allen LaPrade	County Clerk

and all of said persons were present, except the following absentees: NONE, thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business, the following was transacted at said Term: a written

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was duly introduced for the consideration of the Commissioners Court and read in full. It was then duly moved and seconded that said Order be passed; and, after due discussion, said motion, carrying with it the passage of said Order, prevailed and carried by the following vote:

AYES: All members of said Commissioners Court shown present above voted "Aye"  
NOES: None.

2. That a true, full and correct copy of the aforesaid Order passed at the Term described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; that said Order has been duly recorded in said Commissioners Court's minutes of said term; that the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full and correct excerpt from said Commissioners Court's minutes of said Term pertaining to the passage of said Order; that the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of said Commissioner Court as indicated therein; and that each of the Officers and members of the Commissioners Court was duly and sufficiently notified, officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place and purpose of the aforesaid Term, and that said Order would be introduced and considered for passage at said Term, and each of said officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of said Term for such purpose; that said Term was open to the public as required by law; and that public notice of the time, place and purpose of said Term was given as required by Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 6232-17, as amended.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 9 day of December, 1974.  
/s/ ALLEN LAPRADE  
County Clerk (Commissioners Court Seal)

/s/ WILLIAM WAYNE LANDRUM  
County Judge

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WHEREAS, the Commissioners Court of Said County duly ordered an election to be held in Titus County Hospital District on the 7th day of December, 1974, on the PROPOSITION hereinafter stated; and

WHEREAS, said Commissioners Court has investigated all matters pertaining to said election, including the ordering, giving of notice, officers, holding, and making returns of said election; and

WHEREAS, the election officers who held said election have duly made the returns of the result thereof, and said returns have been duly delivered to said Commissioners Court; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby officially found and determined; that a case of emergency or urgent public necessity exists which requires the holding of the meeting at which this Order is passed, such emergency or urgent public necessity being that the proceeds from the sale of the proposed bonds are required as soon as possible and without delay for necessary and urgently needed public improvements; and that said meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Vernon's Ann. Civ. St. art. 6252-17, as amended.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS:

1. That the Commissioner Court officially finds and determines that said election was duly ordered, that proper notice of said election was duly given, that proper election officers were duly appointed prior to said election, that said election was duly held, that due returns of the result of said election have been made and delivered, and that the Commissioners Court has duly canvassed said returns, all in accordance with law and the Order calling said election.

2. That the Commissioners Court officially finds and determines that the following votes were cast at the election on the PROPOSITION submitted, by the resident, qualified electors who own taxable property in said District, and who have duly rendered the same for taxation, and who voted at the election.

		X	<u>PROPOSITION</u>
		X	
774	FOR	X	THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 OF BONDS AND LEVYING THE TAX
362	AGAINST	X	IN PAYMENT THEREOF

3. That the Commissioners Court officially finds and determines that the following votes were cast at the election, on the PROPOSITION submitted, by all other resident, qualified electors of said District who voted at the election:

		X	<u>PROPOSITION</u>
		X	
36	FOR	X	THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,500,000 OF BONDS AND LEVYING THE TAX
9	AGAINST	X	IN THE PAYMENT THEREOF

4. That the Commissioners Court officially finds, determines, and declares the result of said election to be that the PROPOSITION so submitted has received a favorable majority vote in all respects and has carried, and that all of the aforesaid bonds may be issued in accordance with law.

SPECIAL SESSION  
DECEMBER 20, 1974

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Titus County Commissioner's Court met in Special Session Friday, December 20, 1974 in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

William W. Landrum	County Judge
Rayford Taylor	Commissioner Precinct #1
Bert B. Parr	Commissioner Precinct #2
Hubert Martin	Commissioner Precinct #3
Dan Bynum	Commissioner Precinct #4
Allen LaPrade	County Clerk

and the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

IN THE MATTER OF PAYING ROAD HANDS

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Martin to pay County Road hands upon approval of County Auditor. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING MONTHLY REPORTS OF JUSTICE PEACE

Motion by Commissioner Bynum and seconded by Commissioner Taylor to approve November report of Justice of the Peace upon approval of County Auditor. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF RECEIVING BIDS FOR USED TRACTOR LOADER

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Parr to accept bid of Cal Hutson, in the amount of \$2,056.85 for one used tractor loader #450 belonging to Precinct No. 1. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF PURCHASING TRACK LOADER

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Bynum to purchase one HD6AC track loader from Precinct #4 for the use of Precinct #1 in the amount of \$2,000.00. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF OFFICER'S MONTHLY EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Motion by Commissioner Bynum and seconded by Commissioner Taylor to pay officers expense accounts for December, 1974 upon approval of County Auditor. Motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ADVERTISING FOR ONE DUMP TRUCK

Motion by Commissioner Taylor and seconded by Commissioner Bynum to advertise for (1) new dump truck for Precinct No. 1, bid opening to be on January 13, 1975. Motion carried.

Box 142  
Winfield, Texas 75493  
December 12, 1974

Commissioner Bert B. Farr  
Titus County Commissioner's Court  
Mt. Pleasant, Texas 75435

Dear Mr. Farr:

Please accept this letter as our resignation, to become effective immediately as election judge and alternate judge respectively of general and special elections of voting box:(11) eleven in Winfield, Texas

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ LEONARD HUTSON  
Leonard Hutson, Judge, Box 11

/s/ MRS. LEONARD HUTSON  
Mrs. Leonard Hutson, Alternate Judge

TITUS COUNTY  
PROPOSED SALARIES

Passed and adopted at Regular Court Session on December 9, 1974.

OFFICE	PRESENT SALARY	INCREASED TO	MONTHLY	SEMI-MONTHLY	ADJUSTMENT
County Judge	\$8,431.23	\$9,738.00	\$811.50	\$405.75	+8
Commissioners	8,100.00	9,110.00	759.16	379.58	
Tax Assessor-Coll.	7,996.07	8,796.00	733.00	366.50	
Auditor	7,996.07	8,796.00	733.00	366.50	
Attorney	7,424.92	8,167.00	680.58	340.29	+4
Sheriff	7,710.50	8,482.00	706.83	353.42	-8
County Clerk	7,710.50	8,482.00	706.83	353.42	-8
District Clerk	6,853.77	7,869.00	655.75	327.88	-12
Treasurer	7,424.92	8,167.00	680.58	340.29	+4
Justice of Peace	4,808.61	5,290.00	440.83	220.42	-8
Veteran's Officer	4,935.00	5,429.00	452.42	226.21	-4
Sheriff's Deputies					
Chief Deputy	6,900.00	7,590.00	632.50	316.25	
Reg. Deputy	6,600.00	7,260.00	605.00	302.50	
Office Deputy	4,844.40	5,328.00	444.00	222.00	
Tolco Deputy	3,768.00	4,145.00	345.42	172.71	-4
Co. Judge Secretary	5,190.44	5,710.00	475.83	237.92	-8
Janitor	4,841.34	5,327.00	443.92	221.96	-4
Office Deputies	4,544.44	4,999.00	416.58	208.31	-4
D.A. Secretary	1,530.77	1,684.00	140.53	70.17	-8
Tax Deputy Ass't.	7,560.00	8,316.00	693.00	346.50	
Road Hands	Per Hour	Per hour			
Operators	2.75	3.03			
Laborers	2.50	2.75			
Temporary-Office Help	2.00	2.20			
County Agent-McCann	2,742.00	3,016.00	251.33		
Travel:	840.00	900.00	75.00		
County Agent-Campbell	1,929.00	2,122.00	176.83		
Travel	840.00	900.00	75.00		
Jail Cook-Leola Ivory	1,890.00	2,079.00	173.25	86.62	+12
Agent's Custodian	512.88	564.17	47.01	23.50	+5
Court Reporter	9,600.00	10,320.00	860.00		
(For 4 Counties: \$344.00-Titus Co.-Monthly)					

The above and foregoing minutes for the month of December, 1974 were read and approved on this the 31st day of December, 1974.

ATTEST:

JUDGE

*Allen LaBare*  
ALLEN LABARE, COUNTY CLERK, TITUS COUNTY

WILLIAM WAYNE LANDRUM, COUNTY JUDGE, TITUS COUNTY