

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 12, 1996**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT met in *Regular Session* on Monday, August 12, 1996, in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

DANNY P. CROOKS .....COUNTY JUDGE  
MIKE PRICE .....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1  
MIKE FIELDS .....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2  
J. W. TERRELL, JR. ....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3  
THOMAS E. HOCKADAY .....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4  
JEAN CROVER .....DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT: NONE

**PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING:**

CARL JOHNSON, AUDITOR  
HUELLA CAMPBELL, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT  
DICK McCRAVER, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT  
TIM TAYLOR, COUNTY ATTORNEY

BILLY J. THOMPSON	RAY McCANN
ANN RUNDLE	STEVE AGAN
PAULA DYKE	ELMER PATTON
ROBERT M. BAKER	MIKE ROSS

Invocation was given by Robert M. Baker

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PRESENTATION OF V. G. YOUNG INSTITUTE CERTIFICATES  
BY COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS**

Mrs. Huella Campbell and Mr. Dick McCraver, County Extension Agents presented certificates to Tax Assessor - Collector June Roach, District Clerk Bobby LaPrade, County Judge Danny P. Crooks, Commissioner Precinct 1

Mike Price, Commissioner Precinct 2 Mike Fields, Commissioner Precinct 3 J. W. Terrell, Jr. and Commissioner Precinct 4 Thomas E. Hockaday for continuing education through the V. G. Young Institute.

IN THE MATER OF  
DISCUSSING EXTENSION MEETING ROOM  
RENTAL RATES

County Judge Crooks suggested, that the room rate be raised for dance activities due to the extra cost of rewaxing and maintaining the floors after dances. Judge Crooks said, "I would like to suggest \$10.00 per hour with a minimum of four hours for a cost of \$40.00."

Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. stated, "The dance clubs have offered to help pay for rewaxing the floors."

County Judge Crooks mentioned the fact that the two custodians from the Courthouse and Annex were now having to take care of a third building with no extra pay.

It was suggested that a \$35.00 across the board rate might be better.

Mr. Elmer Patton suggested that a special consideration for non-profit organizations who put money earned back into the public use to be considered.

Mrs. Huella Campbell said, "We owe a big thanks to the Good Times Square Dance Club for assisting Dick and myself Saturday night due to an over flowing toilet in the men's bathroom. The party that had been there Friday night failed to check the bathrooms. The water was already into our department and 6 inches up on the sheet rock walls. If it had not been for them finding and alerting us, the damage might have been worse. Then, they helped us sweep and mop the water up."

The Court was in agreement that the club should be thanked for their help.

Commissioner Mike Fields said, "I would like to table this until the next meeting in order to check with other meeting places to see what they charge and the cost of rewaxing the floors."

Motion was made by Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to table this matter until the next Commissioners' Court meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING DEDICATION OF ROAD SERVING  
EASTWOOD HILLS

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve the road dedication of road serving the Eastwood Hills. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING MINUTES FOR JULY 1996

Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. said, "I would like to say something on the minutes. I feel that a lot of conversations is being put in the minutes but not all that is said is being put in there."

Judge Crooks asked, "Do I hear a motion to approve the minutes?"

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve the minute for July 1996. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING APPLICATION OF SOUTHWESTERN  
BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY  
LAY CABLE ON SE-12, SE-18, NE-28, IN PRECINCT 2 & 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve Southwestern Bell Telephone Company to lay cable on SE-12, SE-18, NE-28 in Precinct 2 and 4 with the exception to boring under the roads. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "A"*

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING ABANDONMENT OF SE-3A,  
335 FEET SOUTH IN PRECINCT 2

County Attorney Tim Taylor said, "Property owners whose property adjacent to the unused and unmaintained road can request for an abandonment of the road through the Commissioners' Court. The abandoned road would then become the property of the land owners adjacent to the road. This must be done through a Resolution by the Commissioners' Court."

Commissioner Mike Fields stated, "I know the road is not being used and we are not maintaining the road. It was nearly grown over when I checked on it."

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve abandonment of SE-3A, 335 Feet South in Precinct 2. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "B"*

IN THE MATTER OF  
DISCUSSING IMPOSITION OF FEES RELATING TO  
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
CHAPTER 502 OF THE TRANSPORTATION CODE

The Court was in agreement that the fee of \$5.00 at present was ample.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. to approve leaving the County Road and Bridge Fee with Auto Registration at \$5.00. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "C"*

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to approve budget amendments numbers 64 to 74. These amendments can be seen in the Auditors office.



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IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. to approve County Treasurer, County Auditor, Tax Assessor - Collector, District Clerk, County Clerk, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2, County Extension Office, Veterans Service Office, Cookville Volunteer Fire Department, Five Star Volunteer Fire Department, Nortex Fire Department, and Talco Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING SIGNING PAY ORDERS  
AND PAYING BILLS

Motion was made by Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve signing pay orders and paying bills. Motion carried unanimously.

County Judge Crooks asked, "Is there anything someone would like to say?"

Mr. Ray McCann asked, "Has there been a date set for open hearings on the up coming budget?"

County Auditor Carl Johnson replied, "There has not been a date set at this time. June Roach, the Tax Assessor - Collect is working on the schedule for these meetings. Final approval on the budget will be at the September 23 Commissioners' Court meeting and will go in effect on October 1, 1996."

Mr. Bob Baker reported his dealings with checking into road signs. He had been talking to the sales representative about the purchase of a machine to do the lettering for county roads. He stated, "We should be finished checking all the county roads for names and numbers this week."

Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. said, "Elmer had suggested that each precincts road signs be color coded to help identify each commissioners' area."

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Mr. Baker stated, "There is Grant Money available for the new road signs. However, the County would have to budget for payment. Then the Grant would repay."

The Court was in agreement that a workshop was needed.

IN THE MATTER OF  
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner J. W. Terrell, Jr. and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to be adjourn. Motion carried.

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***The above and foregoing minutes for the month of June 1996 were read and approved this 8th day of July, 1996.***

Danny P. Crooks  
DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE

*Mike Price*  
MIKE PRICE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT # 1

Mike Fields  
MIKE FIELDS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT # 2

**J. W. TERRELL, JR., COMMISSIONER PRECINCT # 3**

Thomas E. Hockaday  
THOMAS E. HOCKADAY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

*Sherry Mars*  
SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR JUNE, 1996 A.D.  
RECORDED ON THE 11TH DAY OF JULY, 1996 A.D.**

***SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK,  
TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS***

By Jean Crowe DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

Plats 14-  
19 & 207-18-96  
TO: COMMISSIONERS COURT  
MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS 75455

Application is hereby made by SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY  
for permission to lay buried line along/under  
that certain segment of the county road in Precinct # 4  
at the following location(s):

SE CR 12 - Place & bore along  
and across as shown on  
attached drawings.

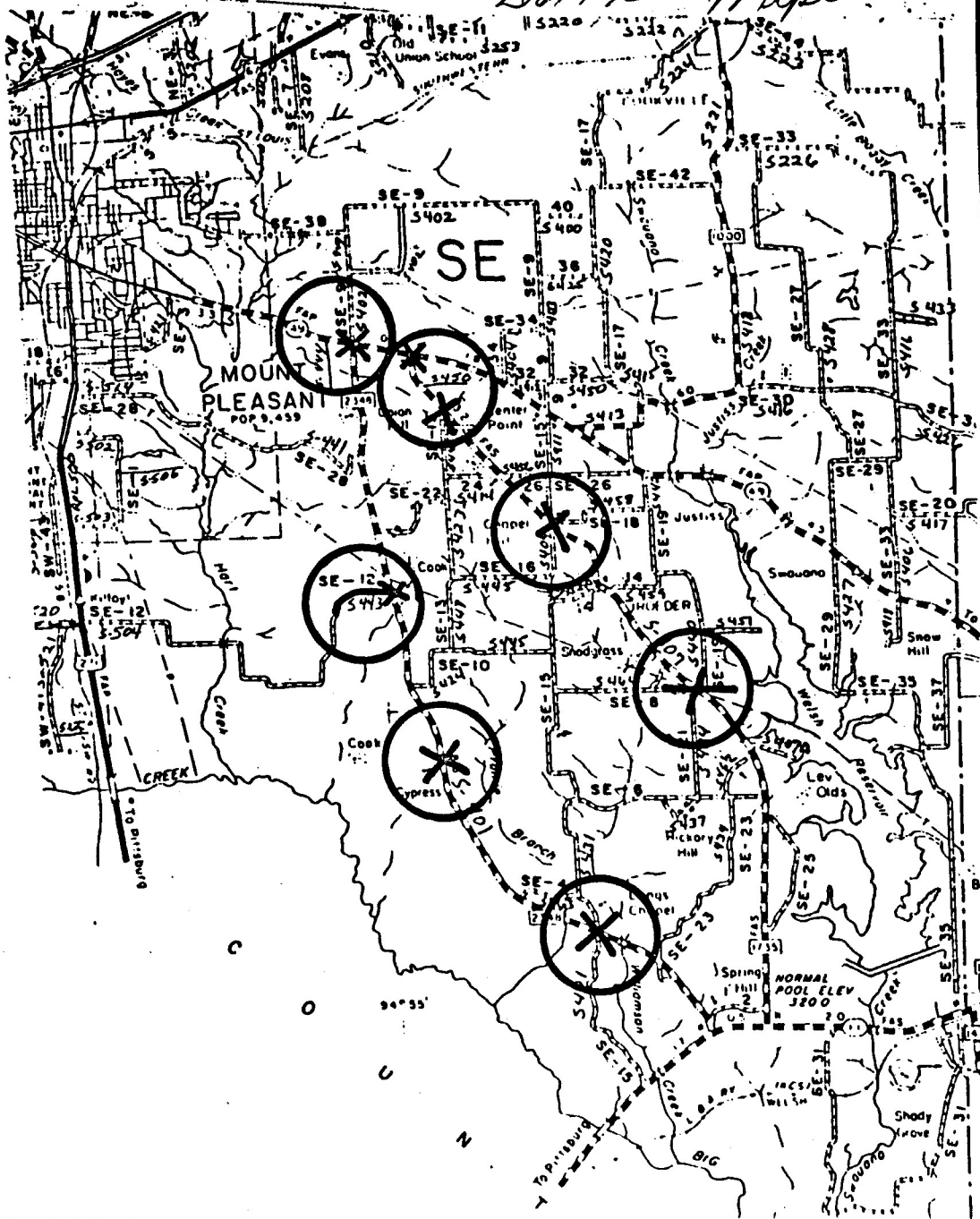
Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Prince  
Manager-Engineering Design  
611 W. Elm  
Tyler, Texas 75702

APPROVED - DENIED

Dennis J. Cook  
COUNTY JUDGE

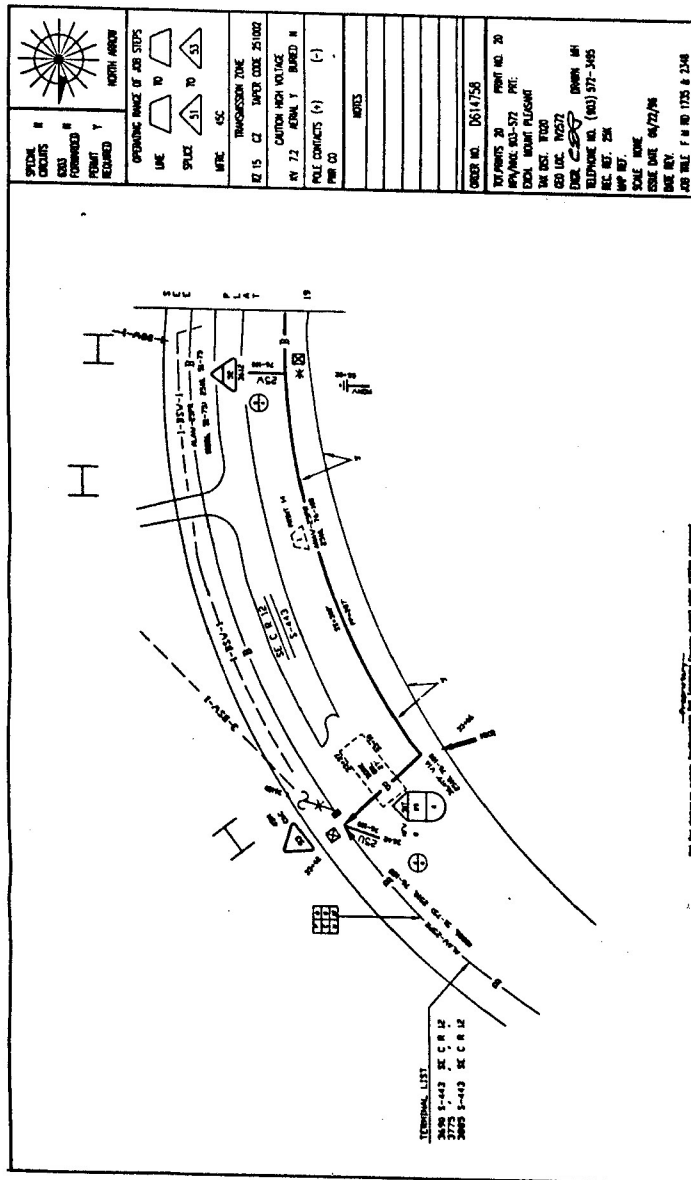
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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

TO: COMMISSIONERS COURT  
MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS 75455

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for permission to lay Buried line along/under  
that certain segment of the county road in Precinct # 4  
at the following location(s):

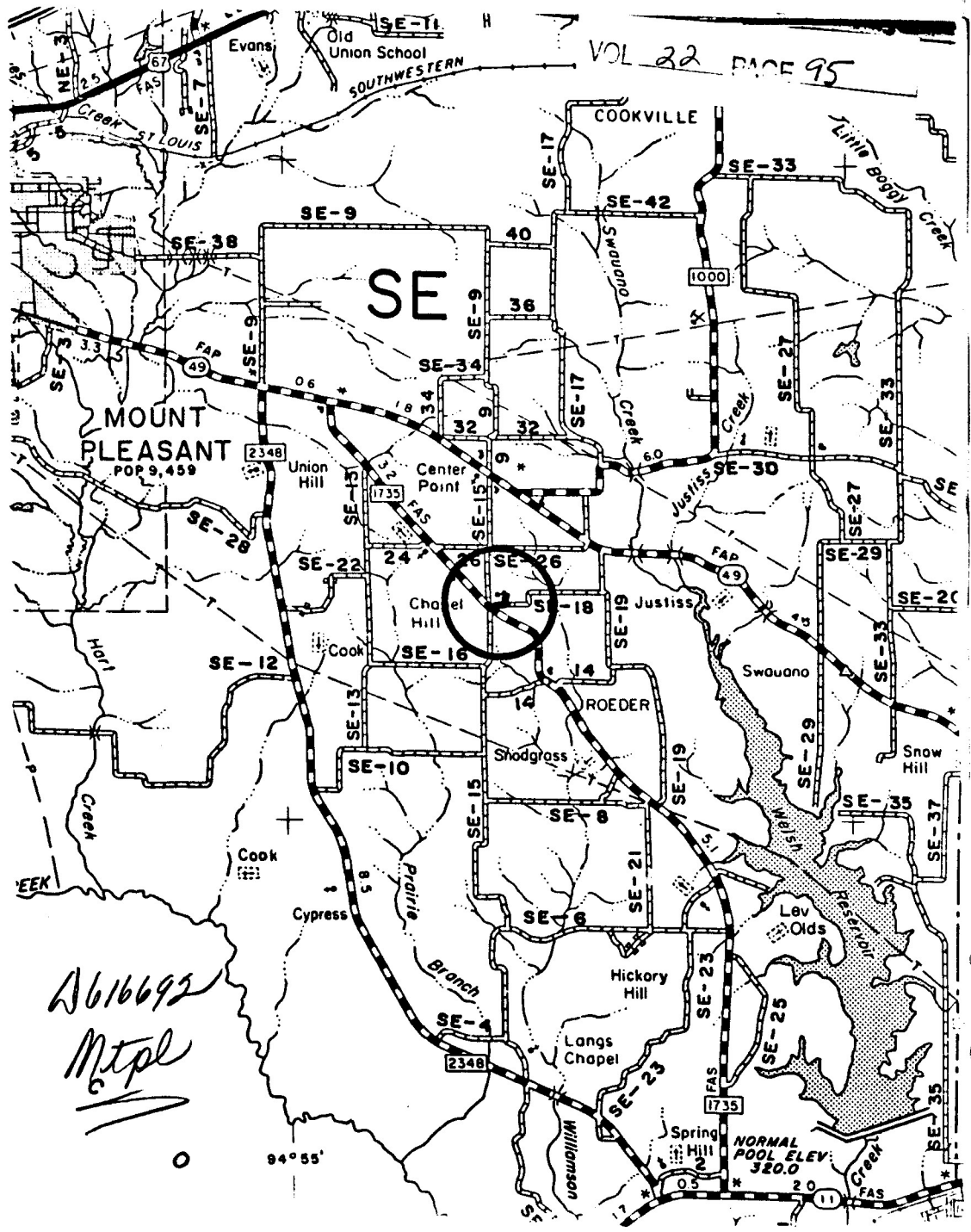
*SECR 18 as shown on the  
following drawings.*

Respectfully submitted,

*C. D. Prince*  
Manager-Engineering Design  
611 W. Elm  
Tyler, Texas 75702

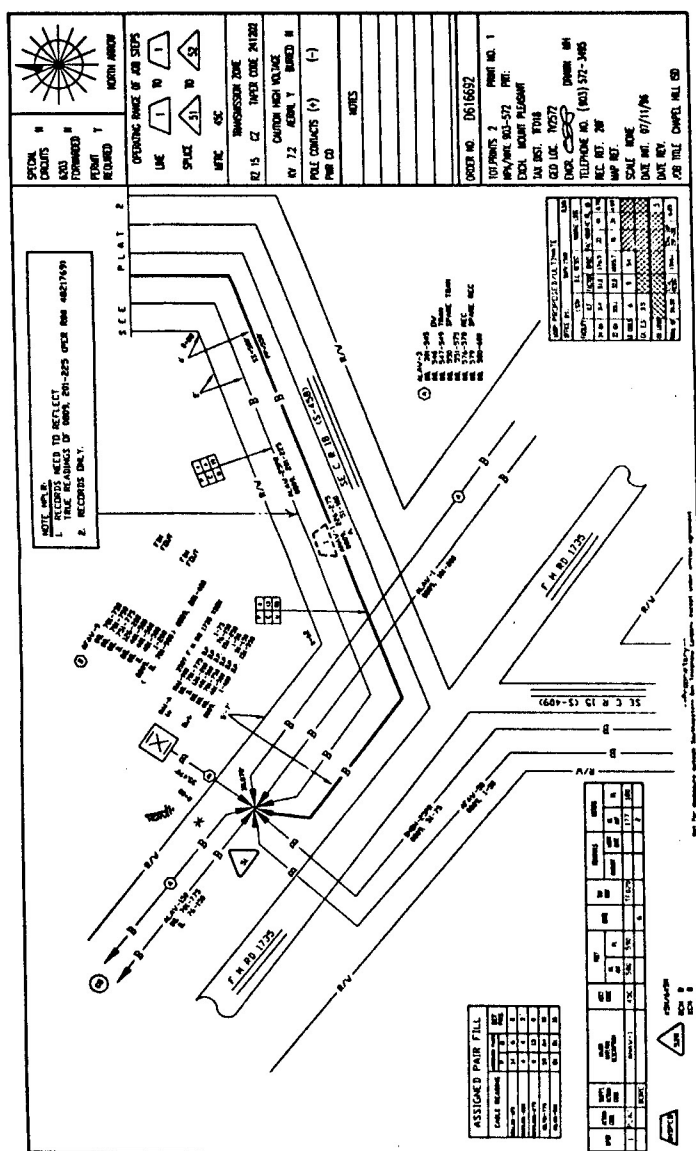
APPROVED - DENIED

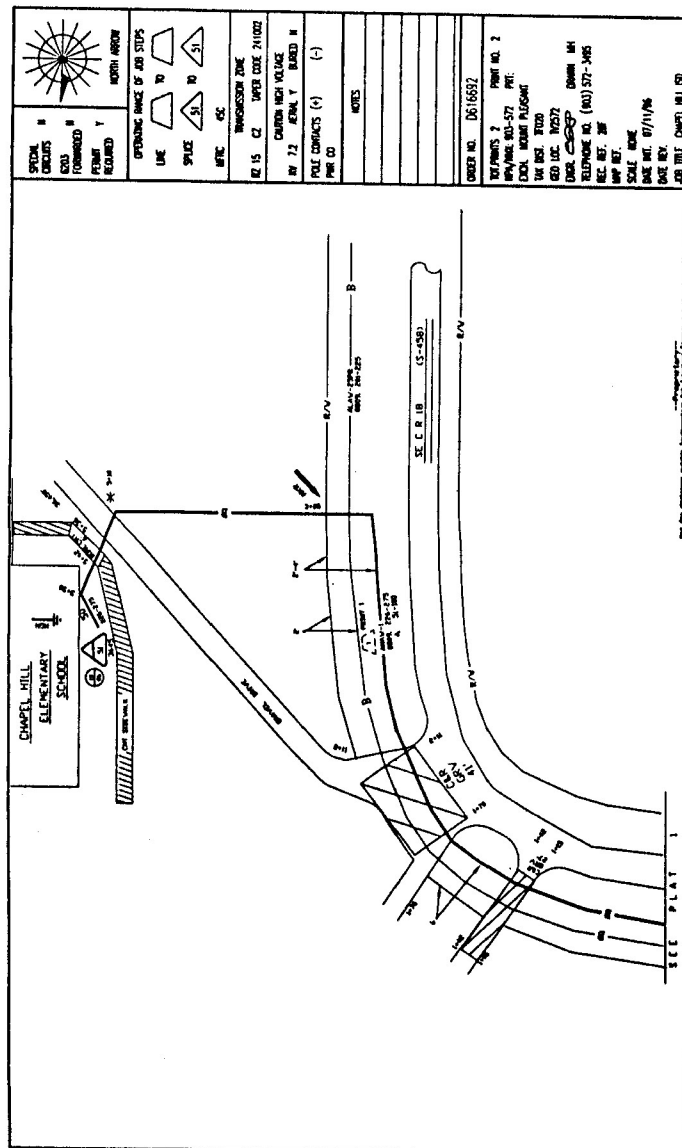
*Danny P. Clark*  
COUNTY JUDGE



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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

7/18/96

TO: COMMISSIONERS COURT  
MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS 75455

Application is hereby made by SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY  
for permission to lay curbed line along/under  
that certain segment of the county road in Precinct # 4  
at the following location(s):

NE CR 28 - Place and bore  
as shown on attached drawings

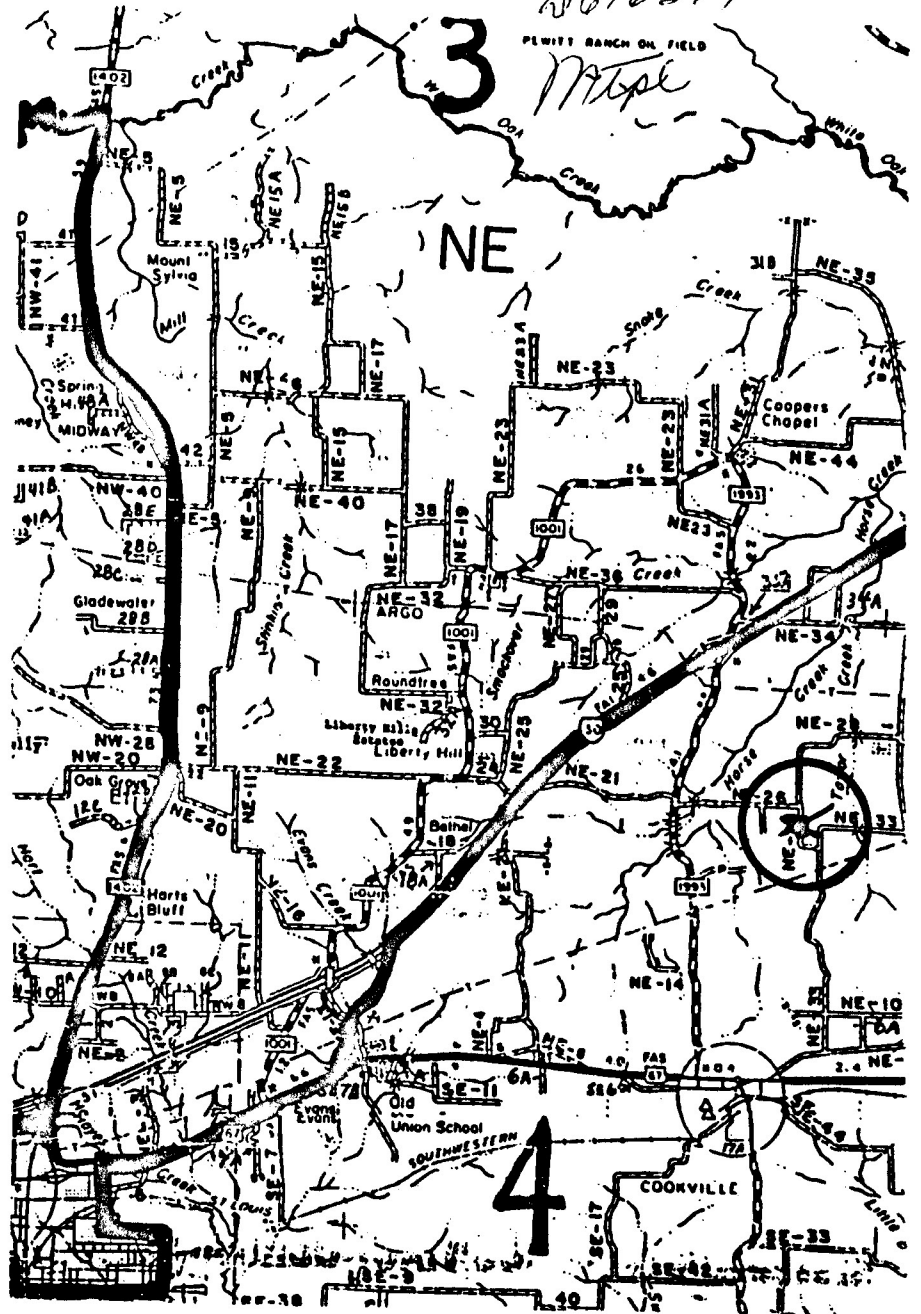
Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Prince  
Manager-Engineering Design  
611 W. Elm  
Tyler, Texas 75702

APPROVED - DENIED

Danny P. Smith  
COUNTY JUDGE

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	NORTH ARROW OPENING INCHES OF AIR SHUTS SPEC. CIRCUITS EXOS. FORMED PERMIT REQUIRED	USE 1. TO 1. 2. TO 3.	SCALE 1. TO 1. 2. TO 3.	WPC 45C TRANSMISSION ZONE 12.75 C1 WPC CODE 141300	OUTLINE HIGH VOLTAGE AREA II BAYED (-)	POLY CONDUCTORS (+) WPC CODE NOTES	ORDER NO. 0616379 SHEET NO. 1 WPC/MSK 900-572 WPC EXOS. MOUNT FLAGMAN 1A DIST. 27018 220 LOC. 76257 EXOS. 250 TELEPHONE NO. (800) 572-5465 REC. REF. 13 WPC REF. SCALE NONE ISSUE DATE 07/14/96 DATE REV. JOB TITLE WPC C 1 B
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ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
OF TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TITUS

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Commissioners' Court of Titus County met in Regular Session on August 12, 1996, after notice of meeting had been posted in the form, manner and place required by law, with a quorum of its members present and participating in the meeting when, among other matters, the following came on to be considered, and action taken thereon, to-wit:

Came on to be considered, the abandonment of the South 335' of SE-3A located in Commissioners Precinct 2, a strip of land 36 feet in width. The strip was a part of the Daniel McCall Survey, Abst. No. 357, and being a part of that certain 69.1 acres of land conveyed to H. M. Sloan and wife, Myrtle Sloan, by W. B. Meadows and wife, Mildred O. Meadows, by deed dated June 13, 1957, as shown of record in Vol. 232, Page 397, Deed Records of Titus County. Said strip is a portion of a larger tract which was conveyed for road purposes as shown of record in Volume 380, Page 84, Deed Records of Titus County, on November 4, 1969.

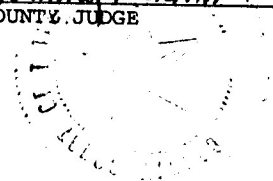
It is the finding of the Court that since the date of said conveyance, this portion of the tract conveyed has not been maintained as a county road and it has been requested by the adjoining land owner that said road be vacated and abandoned as provided for in Sec. 251.058, of the Texas Transportation Code V.T.C.A.

Therefore it is the ORDER of this Court that the South 335' of County Road SE-3A be closed, abandoned, and vacated as of this date.

Signed this 12th day of August, 1996.

TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Dennis P. Crook  
COUNTY JUDGE





ATTACHMENT "C"  
JUL 12 1996

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## Texas Department of Transportation

VEHICLE TITLES AND REGISTRATION DIVISION • AUSTIN, TEXAS 78779-0601 • (512) 465-7811

July 10, 1996

To: ALL COUNTY JUDGES

*Same*

SUBJECT: IMPOSITION OF EXTRA FEES

Chapter 502 of the Transportation Code, relating to the registration of vehicles, provides counties the option of imposing, in addition to the registration fee, two extra fees.

The provisions of Section 502.172 provide for a county road and bridge fee in an amount that does not exceed \$10.00 for each vehicle registered in the county. An extra fee in an amount not to exceed \$1.50 for each vehicle registered in the county is available under the provisions of Section 502.173 to fund a school crossing guard program. However, vehicles registered with Machinery and Farm Trailer License Plates are exempt from both provisions.

The amounts of both optional fees are set by a Commissioners Court. Counties are statutorily required to notify the department of their intent by Commissioners Court Order. The notification deadline for the road and bridge fee is September 1st of each year. The deadline for notification of the school crossing guard fee is September 10th of each year.

Please complete the attachment on the imposition of extra fees for registration year 1997. If your response requires a County Commissioners Court Order, we request that the original order be mailed to us no later than the date indicated. We have also included a fee chart which indicates what extra fee(s) your county currently collects.

Your timely response would be greatly appreciated. Any questions you may have regarding this matter may be directed to David Linzey, Director of Headquarter Operations, at (512) 465-7719 or the Customer Information Services Branch Manager at (512) 465-7620.

Sincerely,

*Daniel Hunt*

Jerry L. Dike, Director  
Vehicle Titles and  
Registration Division

JLD/LR

Enclosures

cc: County Tax Assessor-Collector  
VTR Regional Supervisor  
District Engineer (Note: This letter was sent to each County Judge in your district.)

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IMPOSITION OF EXTRA FEES  
REGISTRATION YEAR 1997

We respectfully request that you indicate below your county's intentions for collection of these fees for registration year 1997 (January 1 through December 31, 1997). These fees will first appear on February renewals. (Refer to Motor Vehicle Information Circular No. 1-85).

For registration year 1997, Titus County will

- ✓ 1. Retain the current fees X (No court order required);
2. Discontinue the County Road and Bridge Fee of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Court order required prior to September 1st);
3. Impose a new County Road and Bridge Fee of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Court order required prior to September 1st);
4. Discontinue the Child Safety Fund Fee of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Court order required prior to September 10th); and/or
5. Impose a new Child Safety Fund Fee of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Court order required prior to September 10th).

If you indicate that action will be taken as stated in 2, 3, 4, and/or 5 above, you must submit a County Commissioners Court Order to that effect prior to the applicable statutory date of September 1st (County Road and Bridge Fee) or September 10th (Child Safety Fund Fee).

Please return your county's intentions so designated for registration year 1997 in the enclosed postage-paid self-addressed envelope as soon as possible. A faxed response (512/465-3034) will also be acceptable. However, if such response requires a County Commissioners Court Order, we request that the original Order be mailed to us no later than the date indicated above.

The above and foregoing minutes for the month of July, 1996 were read and approved this 12th day of August, 1996.

Danny P. Crooks  
DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE

Mike Price  
MIKE PRICE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1

Mike Fields  
MIKE FIELDS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2

J. W. Terrell, Jr.  
J. W. TERRELL, JR., COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3

Thomas E. Hockaday  
THOMAS E. HOCKADAY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4

Sherry Mars  
SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR JULY, 1996 A.D.  
RECORDED ON THE 13TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1996 A.D.

SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK,  
TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

By Jean Craver DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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