

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

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

DANNY P. CROOKSCOUNTY JUDGE
MIKE PRICECOMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
MIKE FIELDSCOMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
THOMAS E. HOCKADAYCOMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
JEAN CROVERDEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT: J. W. TERRELL, JR., COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING:

CARL JOHNSON, AUDITOR

HILL ENOCHS	SHAREE HOOPER
RON FISCHER	MIKE ROSS
ANN RUNDLE	RICKY POOLE
JOHN RYNDEN	MIKE HALL
RICK CHAFFIN	BILLY J. THOMPSON
REVEREND WINSTON GOENS, JR.	

Invocation was give by Winston Goens, Jr.

**IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVING CAFETERIA PLAN**

Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday stated, "Since Colonial was the only carrier who showed interest 3 or 4 years ago when we first went out for bids, then we should go with them."

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to stay with Colonial until the 3 year contract was

up. This company would be the only payroll deduction cafeteria plan. Other Cafeteria Plans being payroll deducted will no longer be allowed. Those having other plans will need to pay them through the company that insures them. Motion carried unanimously.

It was pointed out that 34 employees were with the Colonial Plan at this time.

IN THE MATTER OF
CONSIDERING AGREEMENT FOR
ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve the Animal Control Service Agreement with the City of Mt. Pleasant for a 90 day trial period. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Deputy Sheriff, Ricky Poole stated, "The Sheriff's Office well help the senior citizens to get stray dogs and cat to the animal control service. We have done this in the past and plan to continue to do so."

Commissioner Mike Fields stated, "I well also continue to help the senior citizens to remove unwanted strays to the animal control service. I know what a real problem it is for landowners having unwanted pets dropped off in the county." *SEE ATTACHMENT "A"*

IN THE MATTER OF
RESTRICTING POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENTS
ON COURTHOUSE AND ANNEX PROPERTY

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to prohibit any political advertisements on the Courthouse or Annex Property. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
BUDGET AMENDMENTS

None were presented.

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVING COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to approve reports from County Auditor, Treasurer, Tax-Assessor Collector, District Clerk, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, Extension Offices, Veterans Service Office, City of Talco Fire Protection and Five Star Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVING SIGN PAY ORDERS
AND PAYING BILLS

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and Commissioner Mike Fields to approve signing pay orders and paying bills. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVING NOVEMBER 1996 MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to approve the November 1996 Minutes with one correction of Carl Johnson instead of Carl Alexander as Auditor. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
CONSIDERING 1997 HOLIDAYS

Commissioner Mike Price stated, "I do not feel the Courthouse should be closed three days for Christmas. I received called from folks complaining that they were unable to pay their taxes."

County Judge Danny P. Crooks replied, "I have observed that very little business is conducted like so many government places the week of Christmas. People wishing to pay their taxes still have December 30 to come in and pay. Therefore, I am in favor of giving the employees the same holidays as this year."

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve the Proposed 1997 Holidays.

VOTING FOR

Commissioner Mike Fields

Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday

VOTING AGAINST

Commissioner Mike Price

SEE ATTACHMENT "B"

County Judge Crooks asked, "Ricky Poole do you have something you wish to speak about?"

Officer Poole replied, "Yes, Judge I do. I know we can not take action because this matter is not on the agenda. I have received complaints about the excessive speeding on our county oil top roads. I would like to propose a 40 mile per hour speed limit on all county roads. If we had an ordinance limiting the speed then the Department of Public Safety and the Sheriff's Department could issue citations to speeders."

Commissioner Mike Fields stated, "I would like to check with other counties and see how they are handling this problem. I do realize there is a problem with speeding on the county roads."

Chief Deputy Sheriff Poole stated, "I would be glad to draft an ordinance for the Court to review at a later date."

The Court was in agreement to allow Mr. Poole to do a draft on County speed ordinance.

**IN THE MATTER OF
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

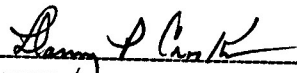
The Court went into Executive Session at 9:35 A.M. and returned at 10:20 A.M. No action was taken.

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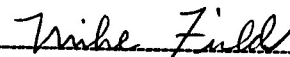
IN THE MATTER OF
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by
Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to adjourn. Motion carried
unanimously.

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

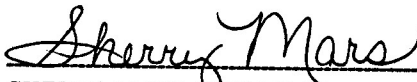

DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE


MIKE PRICE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT # 1


MIKE FIELDS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT # 2

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


THOMAS E. HOCKADAY, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #4


SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR OCTOBER, 1996 A.D.
RECORDED ON THE 14TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1996 A.D.**

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

By  DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

AGREEMENT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

This Agreement made and entered into this 7 day of December 1996, between the City of Mount Pleasant (hereinafter called "The City") and Titus County (hereinafter called "The County"), an Agreement concerning Animal Control Services, each acting herein by and through its duly authorized official

Term: Ninety (90) day trial period beginning December 1, 1996 and ending March 1, 1997.

Payments: \$7.50 per animal payable on the 10th of each month.

Provisions:

- 1) Animals shall consist of dogs and cats only.
- 2) Animals must be strays and not pets. A form will be provided by county certifying animal is not a pet and the owner is not known.
- 3) City will not patrol or pick up animals outside the corporate city limits of Mount Pleasant.
- 4) County residents will be advised to call 575-4175 for appropriate time to place animal with city personnel at the animal control facility.
- 5) No dangerous dogs, or animals that have bitten an individual, or animals for quarantine purposes, will be accepted by the City.
- 6) Prior to conclusion of this agreement City and County officials will meet to discuss extension, revision, nullification, or acceptance of a long-term agreement.
- 7) County grants permission to the City to euthanize animals seventy-two (72) hours after delivery to shelter, except when the animal is mortally injured or diseased, whereby animal will be euthanized upon receipt. An owner of an impounded animal who wishes to redeem said animal, shall comply with all state and local ordinances, laws, rules and regulations. Prior to redemption of animal by owner, owner must provide proof of current rabies vaccination and pay all applicable fees, which shall include current charges for rabies vaccination (if needed) and payment of impoundment fees (\$15.00 first day and \$5.00 each subsequent day).
- 8) Upon receipt of animal by City, all state and local ordinances, laws, rules and regulations shall apply to the sheltering, adoption, redemption or euthanization of animal.

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CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT

BY:

Bill Chambers
Bill Chambers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Reynolds
Brenda Reynolds, City Secretary

COUNTY OF TITUS, TEXAS

BY:

Danny Pat Crooks
Danny Pat Crooks, County Judge

ATTEST:

Sherry Mars
Sherry Mars, County Clerk



**Titus County Commissioners' Court**

Mt. Pleasant, Texas

1997 HOLIDAYS

NEW YEAR'S DAY	JANUARY 1	WEDNESDAY
M.L. KING BIRTHDAY	JANUARY 20	MONDAY
PRESIDENTS DAY	FEBRUARY 17	MONDAY
GOOD FRIDAY	MARCH 28	FRIDAY
MEMORIAL DAY	MAY 26	MONDAY
INDEPENDENCE DAY	JULY 4	FRIDAY
LABOR DAY	SEPTEMBER 1	MONDAY
VETERANS DAY	NOVEMBER 11	TUESDAY
THANKSGIVING	NOVEMBER 27	THURSDAY
THANKSGIVING	NOVEMBER 28	FRIDAY
CHRISTMAS	DECEMBER 24	WEDNESDAY
CHRISTMAS	DECEMBER 25	THURSDAY
CHRISTMAS	DECEMBER 26	FRIDAY
NEW YEAR'S EVE	DECEMBER 31	WEDNESDAY

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