

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 11, 1998**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT met in *REGULAR SESSION* on Monday, May 11, 1998, 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  
BILLY J. THOMPSON.....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  
BOBBY LA PRADE, DISTRICT CLERK

ANN RUNDLE  
G. R. (DICK) McCRAVER

NITA MAY

Commissioner Mike Fields gave the invocation.

**IN THE MATTER OF  
PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES TO  
ELECTED OFFICIAL BY EXTENSION OFFICE**

County Agent Dick McCraver presented the County Judge and all four Commissioners with V. T. Young Institute of County Government 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference for County Judges and Commissioners Certificates.

IN THE MATTER OF  
AUTHORIZING COUNTY JUDGE AND  
PRECINCT COMMISSIONERS TO SIGN LOAN DOCUMENTS AT  
BANK FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE PURCHASES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve signing loan documents at Guaranty Bank for the backhoe for Precinct 1. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to approve signing loan documents at Guaranty Bank for maintainer for Precinct 2. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS

None were presented.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Thomas J. Hockaday to approve county official reports from County Treasurer, Tax Assessor-Collector, County Clerk, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, Justice of the Peace Precinct 2, Five Star Volunteer Fire Department, and Tri-Lakes Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
SIGNING PAY ORDERS AND PAYING BILLS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Billy J. Thompson to approve signing pay orders and paying bills. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING MINUTES FOR APRIL 1998

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to table this matter. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING APPLICATION FOR PAYMENT  
OF PAUPER'S FUNERAL

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

IN THE MATTER OF  
ADJOURNMENT

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

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**COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MAY 26, 1998**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT met in *Special Session* on May 26, 1998, 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  
BILLY J. THOMPSON.....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3  
THOMAS E. HOCKADAY.....COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4  
SHERRY MARS.....COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT: NONE

PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING:

CARL JOHNSON, COUNTY AUDITOR  
RICKY POOLE, SHERIFF  
KEN SCHINDLEY, CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF  
BOBBY LaPRADE, DISTRICT CLERK

ANN RUNDLE

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING BIDS FOR THE SALE OF  
ONE STAINLESS WORK TABLE  
AND ONE USED MURRAY RIDING LAWN MOWER

No bids were received for the stainless work table. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve the sale of a used Murray Riding Lawn Mower to Mike Lovell for \$85.00. *SEE ATTACHMENT "A"*  
Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
STORAGE SPACE FOR  
DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE

District Clerk Bobby LaPrade spoke to the Court concerning storage space. Mr. LaPrade said, "I was promised the Law Library a year or so ago to give my office more storage place. However, I have not received the space."

Chief Sheriff Deputy, Ken Schindley said, "We have room at the Sheriff to put the books. The inmates can move the Law Library to the Sheriff's Department."

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Billy Jack Thompson to approve moving the Law Library to the Sheriff's Department to allow storage space for the District Clerk's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve budget amendments 21 to 24. These amendments can be seen in the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve reports from County Auditor, District Clerk, Nortex Volunteer Fire Department and Talco Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
SIGN PAY ORDERS AND PAYING BILLS

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to sign pay orders and pay bills. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE  
APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO PLACE AND BORE ACROSS  
AND ALONG SE 15 IN PRECINCT 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Mike Price to approve Southwestern Bell Telephone burying cable along and across SE 15 boring under roads in Precinct 4. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "B"*

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING APPROVING RESOLUTION IN  
SUPPORT OF INMATES REIMBURSEMENT LEGISLATION

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve the Resolution In Support Of Inmates Reimbursement Legislation. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "C"*

IN THE MATTER OF  
DISCUSSING WISCONSIN INMATE  
COMMISSARY ESCROW

Sheriff's Chief Deputy, Ken Schindley said, "The Court needs to start Account for Wisconsin Inmates Commissary fund. We would need to start with \$1,200.00 to \$1,500.00."

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve the County Auditor to set up an Escrow Account for Wisconsin Inmates Commissary Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
CONSIDERING GOING OUT FOR BIDS FOR  
PURCHASE OF ONE NEW BACKHOE WITH USED TRADE-IN  
FOR PRECINCT 4

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve Precinct 4 Commissioner to go out for bids on one new backhoe with used trade-in. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF  
APPROVING APRIL 1998 MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Price and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve April 1998 Minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Court went into Executive Session at 9:25 A.M.

Court reconvened at 9:43 A.M. No action was taken in Executive Session.

IN THE MATTER OF  
ADJOURNMENT

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

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The above and foregoing minutes for the month of APRIL, 1998, were read and approved this 26th day of May, 1998.

Danny P. Crooks  
DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE

Mike Price  
MIKE PRICE, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #1

Mike Fields  
MIKE FIELDS, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #2

Billy J. Thompson  
BILLY J. THOMPSON, COMMISSIONER PRECINCT #3

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

Sherry Mars  
SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK

COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES FOR APRIL, 1998 A.D.  
RECORDED ON THE 28th DAY OF MAY, 1998, A.D.

SHERRY MARS, COUNTY CLERK  
TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

By Sherry Mars COUNTY CLERK

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ATTACHMENT "A" VOL 25 PAGE 9

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I WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING BID FOR THE 12 HP MURRAY LAWNMOWER  
FROM THE COUNTY PARK THAT HAS THE BLOWN ENGINE. \$ 85.00

MIKE LOVELL  
903-572-7141

## RESOLUTION

## IN SUPPORT OF INMATE REIMBURSEMENT LEGISLATION

The Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, meeting in special session on the 26th day of May, 1998, considered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Titus County taxpayers are burdened with the high costs of providing food, clothing, shelter, medical and other expenses for persons convicted of criminal wrongdoing, when many have the ability to pay all or a portion of their per diem costs of confinement; and

WHEREAS, sixteen (16) States in the USA have statutes that enable Counties to charge jail inmates per diem costs; and,

WHEREAS, legislation is needed in Texas requiring jail inmates to reimburse the County for all or a portion of the daily incarceration costs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commissioners Court of Titus County, that Titus County supports legislation which would recover costs from jail inmates convicted of crime. The costs of incarceration should be borne by those whose conduct has earned it, rather than by taxpayers.

APPROVED IN OPEN COURT, THIS 26th day of May, 1998 upon motion by Mike Price, seconded by Mike Fields, and 5 members of the Court being present and voting "aye".

Danny P. Crooks  
DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE

Mike Price  
MIKE PRICE, COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

Mike Fields  
MIKE FIELDS, COMMISSIONER PCT. 2

Billy J. Thompson  
BILLY J. THOMPSON, COMM. PCT. 3

Thomas E. Hockaday  
THOMAS E. HOCKADAY, COMM. PCT. 4

ATTEST:  
SHERRY MARS, County Clerk  
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Titus  
County Commissioners' Court

BY Sherry Mars

## APPLICATION FOR PERMIT

RECEIVED

MAY 18 1998

TO: COMMISSIONERS COURT  
TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

TITUS COUNTY JUDGE

Application is hereby made by Southwestern Bell Tel  
for permission to lay Buried line along/  
under that certain segment of the county road in  
Precinct # (4) four at the following location(s):

Place and bore across and  
along SE CR 15 as shown  
on attached drawings

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Prince  
Signature and TitleMgr. Engr. Design307 N Van BurenMI. Pleasant, TX 75455Approved - DeniedDenny P. CookCommissioner, Precinct # Co. Judge

