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COMMISSIONERS' COURT
SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 26, 2001

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT met in *Special Session* on Monday, March 26, 2001, in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

BOB FITCHCOMMISSIONER 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: DANNY P. CROOKS, COUNTY JUDGE

PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING:

CARL JOHNSON, COUNTY AUDITOR
TIM TAYLOR, COUNTY ATTORNEY
WAYNE M. SMITH, CHIEF DEPUTY SHERIFF
WILLIAM WHITE, COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT

DIANNA MARTIN
BOB GRAY

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IN THE MATTER OF
SALE OF A USED 4-WHEEL DRIVE TRACTOR
MODEL TS 110, SERIAL NUMBER 123980B
FROM PRECINCT 1

One bid was received from Conroy Ford Tractor Incorporated for the sum of \$29,994.00.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Fitch and seconded by Billy J. Thompson to approve the bid of \$29,994.00 from Conroy Ford Tractor Incorporated for the Model TS 110, Serial Number 123980B from Precinct 1. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "A"*

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Billy J. Thompson to approve the application for payment of Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars to Curry-Welborn Funeral Home for a pauper's funeral. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
DISCUSSING PRECLEARANCE OF ADJUSTMENT TO
NEW BOUNDARY LINES BETWEEN COMMISSIONER PRECINCTS
1 & 2, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCTS 1 & 2 VOTING PRECINCTS
NO. 1 AND NO. 17

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Bob Fitch to approve the clearance of new boundary lines between Commissioner Precinct 1 & 2, Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 & 2 and voting Precinct No. 1 and No. 17. Motion carried unanimously. *SEE ATTACHMENT "B"*

IN THE MATTER OF
HEARING DIANNE MARTIN FROM TXU COMMUNICATIONS

TXU Communications representative, Dianna Martin said, "Titus County is paying for features that are not being used. Presently the county is receiving 17 separate bills for telephone services. It is our plan to reduce the number of bills to aid the accounting departments, discount local and long distance services. The County could save an over all percentage of 28 per cent."

The Commissioners were all in agreement that a code number should be issued to all county employees for long distance calling so that the proper department can be billed.

Dianna Martin agreed to check future into other concerns and get back with the Court.

No other action was taken.

IN THE MATTER OF VOL 29 PAGE 221
APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Billy J. Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve budget amendments 18, 19, & 20 for the Budget 2000-2001. These amendments can be seen in the County Auditor's Office. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
SIGNING PAY ORDERS AND PAYING BILLS

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

IN THE MATTER OF
APPROVING COUNTY OFFICIAL REPORTS

Motion was made by Commissioner Billy J. Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to approve reports from Titus County Environmental Inspection Service, Nortex Volunteer Fire Department and Winfield Volunteer Fire Department. Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Billy J. Thompson and seconded by Commissioner Thomas E. Hockaday to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.



CONROY TRACTOR, INC.

P.O. BOX 312 2809 WEST FERGUSON
MT. PLEASANT, TEXAS 75456-0312
903-572-2629



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We Bid \$29,994⁰⁰ ON ONE TS110
4WD TRACTOR .

*Johnny
Conroy*



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DJ 166-012-3
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Voting Section
P.O. Box 66128
Washington, DC 20035-6128

February 26, 2001

Bob Bass, Esq.
Allison, Bass & Associates
208 West 14th Street
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Dear Mr. Bass:

This refers to the realignment of voting precincts and the limited redistricting of county commissioner and justice of the peace precincts for Titus County, Texas, submitted to the Attorney General pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. 1973c. We received your submission on January 16, 2001.

The Attorney General does not interpose any objection to the specified changes. However, we note that Section 5 expressly provides that the failure of the Attorney General to object does not bar subsequent litigation to enjoin the enforcement of the changes. In addition, as authorized by Section 5, we reserve the right to reexamine this submission if additional information that would otherwise require an objection comes to our attention during the remainder of the sixty-day review period. See the Procedures for the Administration of Section 5 (28 C.F.R. 51.41 and 51.43).

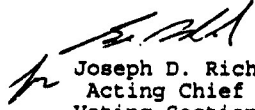
Please be advised that it is unnecessary to provide multiple copies of documents when making a Section 5 submission.

Finally, we wish to take this opportunity to inform you that beginning January 29, 2001, Section 5 submissions sent to the Attorney General, other than through the United States Postal Service, should be addressed, or may be delivered to: Chief,

*Entered
3-12-01
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Voting Section, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice,
1800 G Street, N.W., Room 7254, Washington, DC 20006. Our
postal box address (P.O. Box 66128, Washington, DC 20035-6128)
remains unchanged.

Sincerely,


Joseph D. Rich
Acting Chief
Voting Section

Submission of Titus County, Texas—Modification of boundary between Commissioner Precincts 1 and 2 to include portion of new county offices, and affecting no population or voting rights of any citizen.

Prec. 2

Mike Fields

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January 9, 2001

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TITUS COUNTY JUDGE

VIA CMRRR Z 191 974 641
Assistant Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division
Voting Section
P.O. Box 66128
Washington, D.C. 20035-56128

RE: Submission of Titus County, Texas—Modification of boundary between Commissioner Precincts 1 and 2 to include portion of new county offices, and affecting no population or voting rights of any citizen

Dear Department of Justice Staff,

Please accept the enclosed information as a request for preclearance of a minor change to previously pre-cleared political boundaries. This change permits governmental offices to be included within a precinct, as required by Texas law, and affects no population change between existing precincts, nor does the change affect voting rights of any citizen.

Pursuant to the requirements of 28 C.R.R. Section 51.27, the following information is submitted:

(a), (b) & (c):

- Tab 1: A copy of the Commissioners Court minutes and Order approving change of boundaries.
- Tab 2: Texas Statutory provisions relative to change.
- Tab 3: Affidavit of Commissioner Mike Fields regarding null effect upon minority voting rights or population demographics.
- Tab 4: Map showing information regarding the location of existing political boundaries and the proposed change.
- Tab 5: Evidence of Public Notice for Hearing on Change

(d): The effect of the submitted resolution and attachments will be, if approved, to shift the existing boundary approximately 97.5 feet south, and to include within the two affected precincts (1) and (2) a portion of a new governmental building. This shift permits the office of a Justice of the Peace to be physically located within

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the precinct, as required by Texas law. No voters inhabit the territory affected by the proposed change, and no voting rights will be affected by the change.

The submitting authority is the Commissioners Court of Titus County, Texas, the Hon. Danny P. Crooks, County Judge and Chief Executive Officer. The County Judge may be reached by mail at the Titus County Courthouse, Mount Pleasant, Texas 75455. Telephone is 903/577-6791.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact:

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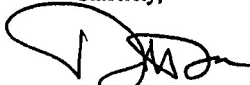
- (e) Not Applicable
- (f) Not Applicable
- (g) The authority responsible for the passage of this resolution is the County Commissioners Court for Titus County, Texas.
- (h) The Minute Order was adopted pursuant to the provisions of and in conformity with Article V, §18 of the Texas Constitution, as well as Article 27.051 of the Texas Government Code, and Article(s) 292.001, 292.002 and 292.004 of the Texas Local Government Code.
- (i) The Minute Order was passed by the County Commissioners Court on August 28, 2000, as shown by the attached documents. The building in question will not be occupied until April 2001.
- (j) The minute order takes effect immediately.
- (k) The provisions of the minute order will be effective, if approved, in April of 2001, when the government offices will be occupied. The changes are perceived to be administrative and will not work as a deprivation of any voting interest by any individual in Titus County.
- (l) These procedures will affect Titus County, Texas, only.
- (m) The reason for the changes provided in the Minute Order is to comply with Texas law.

- (n) The Minute Order does not affect the voting rights of racial or linguistic minority groups. The changes submitted do not affect voting rights, being administrative provisions only, applied to precleared election districts. The Minute Order does not have the intent, and will not have the effect of diluting the voting strength of any racial or linguistic minority.
- (o) There is no past or pending litigation concerning the subject matter of this submission.
- (p) The procedure utilized in the adoption of the Minute Order is not subject to preclearance.

Thank you for your attention to this submission. Expedited consideration is requested. As stated, if you have questions, please contact.

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Sincerely,



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Enclosures