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COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 31, 2005

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT met in Special Session on Monday, January 31, 2005 in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

DANNY P. CROOKS	COUNTY JUDGE
BOR FITCH	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
MIKE FIELDS	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
PHILLIP HINTON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3
THOMAS E HOCKADAY	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
THELMA SCULLIN	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING

DEBBY RHEA SHERRY JO MARS TIM TAYLOR	PAULA DYKE LEO SCHAKEL
	DEBRA BOWEN

CARL JOHNSON	AMBER CULLEN HURLEY
THERESA DURANT	MARIBEL CAMPOS
DENA TEAL	PAT HURT
JACKIE HURT	JEAN TAYLOR
A.D. TAYLOR	HEATHER MOSS
MARGIE THOMAS	

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY MAKE CHANGES IN BUDGET AND PERSONNEL

1. Paula Dyke, Justice of the Peace Pct. 2 would like to buy 3 Copy Machines from her Justice Court Technology. She does a lot of her work in her office, in the Sheriff's Office, and in the Treasurer's Office. Mrs. Dyke would to have a copy machine in each office. She has the funds available.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Bob Fitch to approve the use of these funds.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. The Commissioners discussed not funding the Elections Administrator at this time.

The Legislature will be considering some changes that might cost the County more

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money than anticipated. One of these is that the Administrator would have to hold all the elections, School, City, College as well as Federal and State. The funds we will receive on the purchase of the new machines has gone up 200% from what was previously quoted.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Bob Fitch not to fund the Election Administor position at this time. They will wait and see what the Legislature is going to do.

FOR: Commissioner Thomas Hockaday

Commissioner Bob Fitch
Commissioner Phillip Hinton

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AGAINST: Commissioner Mike Fields

County Judge, Danny P. Crooks

Motion passed.

3. Carl Johnson, Auditor, asked the Court how he was to handle the salary of an employee that was previously working in the County Clerk's Office and went to work in the County Attorney's Office. There is a present investigation going on and this employee said she was very uncomfortable working in the Clerk's Office. Tim Taylor, County Attorney, asked if there was work from the Criminal Department in the Clerk's Office that could be done in his office. His office is not budgeted for a second full time person.

Motion was made by Commissioner Bob Fitch and seconded by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday to temporarily take the salary budgeted for this employee's position in the Clerk's Office and transfer it to the County Attorney's Office.

FOR: Commissioner Bob Fitch

Commissioner Thomas Hockaday

Commissioner Mike Fields

Commissioner Phillip Hinton
AGAINST: County Judge Danny P. Crooks

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Bob Fitch to budget money for part time help in Ms. Mars Office for three months and then review the situation.

Motion carried unanimously.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Bob Fitch to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.