

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

Notice is hereby given that a Regular Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas, will be held on the 11th day of May, 2009, at 9:00 o'clock A.M., in the Titus County Courthouse, County Courtroom, 100 West First Street, Suite 205, Mt Pleasant TX 75455, at which time the following subjects will be discussed not necessarily in the order presented:

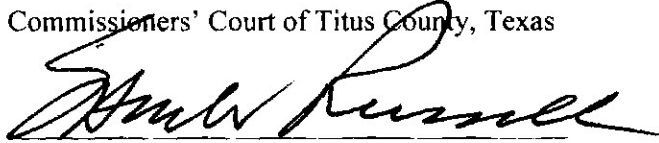
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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INVOCATION

1. Public comments and/or requests for information on non-agenda items in accordance with Section 551.042, Texas Open Meetings Act
  - a. Update on Loop Project – Scott Young
2. Review minutes for April 13, 2009 Regular Meeting and April 27, 2009 Special Meeting
3. Consider and Possibly Approve Proclamation Declaring May as Elder Abuse Prevention Awareness Month
4. Consider and Possibly Approve Request from Tax Assessor's Office for Refund for Assessment Error
5. Consider and Possibly Take Action on Request by Pilgrims' Pride Corporation regarding Property Taxes
6. Open bids for 4-Year Bank Depository Contract for Titus County and Consider and Possibly Approve Awarding of Bid
7. Consider and Possibly Approve Request to close CR 4745 in Precinct 4
8. Review, Discuss and Possibly Approve Changes to Travel Policy
9. Review, Discuss and Possibly Approve Changes to Bank Signature Cards
10. Consider and Possibly Approve Purchase of Computer & Components for County Clerk's Office
11. Consider and Possibly Approve Personnel Hiring for County Attorney's office
12. Consider and possibly approve travel and seminars for Titus County employees and elected officials
13. Approve oral and written reports of county officials
14. Approve budget amendments
15. Sign pay orders and approve payments
16. Closing comments by County Judge and Commissioners, if any

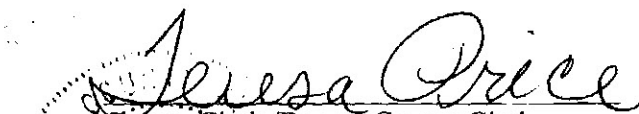
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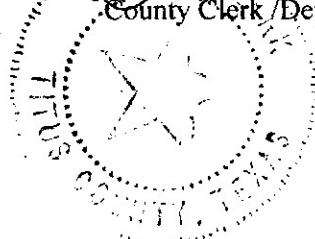


County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas, is a true and correct copy of said Notice, and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice on the bulletin board and doors of the Titus County Courthouse and Annex, places readily accessible to the general public at all times, prior to 9:00 o'clock A.M., on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2009, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.



County Clerk / Deputy County Clerk



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 11, 2009

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT met in a Regular Meeting on Monday, May 11, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

SAM W. RUSSELL	COUNTY JUDGE
DON BOGGS	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
MIKE FIELDS	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
PHILLIP HINTON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3
THOMAS HOCKADAY	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
TERESA PRICE	COUNTY CLERK

PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING

DEBBY RHEA, TREASURER	CARL JOHNSON, AUDITOR	TIM INGRAM, SHERIFF
JOYCE SIMPSON	TIM TAYLOR	ED MOORE
GERRY EVENWEL	JUDY COOK, TAX ASSESSOR	BOBBY SPEARMAN
NORMA NARRAMORE	TIM DALE	RON STAGGS, EA
LOU ANTONELLI	TROY SELLERS	CAPPY PAYNE
JANICE CHISM	SCOTT YOUNG	JENNIFER ARLEDGE

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Judge Sam Russell

Invocation: Commissioner Mike Fields

1. IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND/OR REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 551-042, TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

A. Update on Loop Project- Scott Young

Note correction to page 16. Time period is to be a Fall 2009 Letting.

2. REVIEWED MINUTES FOR APRIL 13, 2009 REGULAR MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS COURT.

No Changes Recommended.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 2

3. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY AS ELDER ABUSE PREVENTION AWARENESS MONTH.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve proclamation declaring May as Elder Abuse Prevention Awareness Month.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT #3

4. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING REQUEST FROM TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR REFUND FOR ASSESSMENT ERROR.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve the request from Tax Assessor's office for refund.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY TAKING ACTION ON REQUEST BY PILGRIMS PRIDE CORPORATION REGARDING PROPERTY TAXES.

No representative from Pilgrims Pride was present; Commissioner Hockaday questioned the purpose of having this item on the agenda due to the fact that the Commissioners Court have no authority to take action on this item. Judge Russell explained that he discussed this very problem with Mr. Spears; that after research by our Tax Attorney that the Commissioners Court has no authority to waive penalties and interest; further stating that if the Bankruptcy lawyers could provide statutory evidence through the bankruptcy laws that the Commissioners Court could in fact take action on this item that the Court would consider the proposal. The only known possibility might be if the Bankruptcy Judge issued an order.

Commissioner Boggs stated that the people he has spoken to stated that the Bankruptcy Judge may have the discretion for penalties but not interest.

This item was tabled.

6. IN THE MATTER OF OPENING BIDS FOR 4-YEAR BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT FOR TITUS COUNTY AND CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY APPROVE AWARDED BID.

Two banks responded, American National with a letter thanking for the opportunity but declining, and Guaranty Bank with a bid.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to award bid for 4 year bank depository contract to Guaranty Bank.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHEMENT # 6

7. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY REQUEST TO CLOSE CR 4745.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to close CR 4745 in precinct 4.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. IN THE MATTER OF REVIEWING, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLY APPROVING CHANGES TO TRAVEL POLICY.

All hotel reservations are to go thru William White, Purchaser. All receipts are to be brought in for hotel, travel, food and auto.

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve changes to travel policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. IN THE MATTER OF REVIEWING, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLY APPROVING CHANGES TO BANK SIGNATURE CARDS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve changes to bank signature cards by Carl Johnson, Auditor and Debby Rhea, Treasurer.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING PURCHASE OF COMPUTER & COMPONENTS FOR COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve the purchase of computer and components for the County clerk's office such being paid through Record Management.

Motion carried unanimously.

11. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING PERSONNEL HIRING FOR COUNTY ATTORNEYS OFFICE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs approving the interim position such being paid from general fund being approximately \$3,200.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING TRAVEL AND SEMINARS FOR TITUS COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve travel and seminar request.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 12

13. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING ORAL AND WRITTEN REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve reports.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 13

14. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve budget amendment # 14.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 14

15. IN THE MATTER OF SIGNING PAY ORDERS AND APPROVING PAYMENTS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve pay orders.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 15

16. IN THE MATTER OF CLOSING COMMENTS BY COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS.

Commissioner Don Boggs requested again, the status of the Personnel Policy.

Judge Russell said the he was finally able to locate the program and Joyce has it in her computer and we are in the process of making changes to it. The sheriff's office had a copy of the policy when it was originally adopted and provided a copy so that we would not have to scan in the printed copy. Gerald Schroder has suggested changes that will be looked at. There will be a working copy that will be gone through in Commissioner Court when adopted.

Carl Johnson, Auditor suggested a medical policy that would require medical insurance that would include the Medical Leave Act.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.