# COMMISSIONERSICOURT SPECIAL MEETING August 24, 2009

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THE TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERSECOURT met in a Regular Meeting on Monday, August 24, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in the Titus County Courtroom with the following members present:

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

**COUNTY CLERK** 

#### PUBLIC AND COUNTY OFFICIALS ATTENDING MEETING

TIM INGRAM, SHERIFF
CARL JOHNSON
GERRY EVENWELL
JANICE CHISM
BOBBY SPEARMAN
KERRY WOOTTEN
PAT MCCOY
DANIEL BURGESS

JOYCE SIMPSON
LEONARD ROCKWELL
MARCIA DAVIS-SEALE
JUSTIN GLENN
BRAD FOSDICK
JUDY LEE
WALTER VANDERVERG

NORMA NARRAMORE MARK PANGLE MIKE AHREN DAN BURGESS MANISH AMIN CHUCK HINTON TROY SELERS

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. Chuck Hinton- requested an emergency meeting of Commissioners Court on behalf of Titus County Cares to discuss contracts between the City, County and Titus County Cares for the construction of the new building and other matters that pertain.

2. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING MINUTES FOR COMMISSIONERS COURT ON REGULAR MEETING AND AUGUST 10, 2009.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve August 10, 2009 minutes.

Motion carried unanimously SEE ATTACHMENT # 2

3. IN THE MATTER OF PRESENTATION ON 2010 CENSUS PLANNING AND PROCESSES UPDATE.

Pat McCoy addressed the Court stating the importance of the Census and the processing procedures that will be in place. Data collected helps decision makers to appropriately allocate funds to specific areas including public works, health agencies, and transportation. Governmental redistricting may take place to insure the proper number of representatives in the House to represent Texas appropriately. The Census is Safe, Easy, and Important. Starting March 2010 citizens will begin receiving Census questioners with reminders being sent to encourage and remind citizens to return their questioners for processing. The Courts participation and support are needed to help ensure a successful census takes place.

4. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING 2010 CENSUS PARTNER RESOLUTION.

In signing this Resolution the Court is stating that they support the goals and ideas for the 2010 Census and will disseminate 2010 Census information to encourage participation, asking our affiliates and constituents to partner together to get an accurate and complete count, to encourage people in Titus County to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2010 Census and increase participation among all populations.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve 2010 Census Partner Resolution.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 4

5. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING REQUEST BY LUMINANT POWER TO ACCEPT TITUS COUNTY ROAD NO 1400 INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM, SUBJECT TO A ONE YEAR WARRANTY.

Commissioner Don Boggs, Precinct 1, has approved this road for entry into the County Road System.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to accept CR 1400 into the County Road System, subject to a one year warranty.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 5

6. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING REQUEST BY LUMINANT POWER TO ACCEPT TITUS COUNTY ROAD 2670 AND 2550 INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM, SUBJECT TO A ONE-YEAR WARRANTY.

Commissioner Mike Fields, Precinct 2, has approved this road for entry in to the County Road System.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to accept CR 2670 and CR 2550 into the County Road System, subject to a one year warranty.

Motion carried unanimously

**SEE ATTACHMENT #6** 

7. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING SHERIFF AND CONSTABLESIFEES FOR 2010.

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve the Sheriff and Constables Fees for 2010.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 7

8. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING THE TITUS COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TOUCHPAY HOLDINGS, LP FOR THE PURPOSE AND BENEFIT OF INMATES BY PROVIDING A METHOD OF DEPOSIT FOR INMATE FUNDS.

Sheriff, Tim Ingram addressed the court regarding the Touchpay system stating that this system is at no cost to the County. Inmates may have funds deposited into their account to pay for appropriate costs incurred while being detained. The system works similar to online banking. There is a \$5.50 Deposit Fee of which the County receives a small transaction fee of \$.50 per transaction. This is an agreement only, not a contract. Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve Agreement with Touchpay Holding, LP.

Motion carried unanimously

**SEE ATTCHMENT#8** 

9. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING IMPOSITION OF OPTIONAL FEES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2010.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to make no changes to County Road & Bridge fees or Child Safety Fees.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 9

10. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT FOR MAINTAINER WITH HOLT FOR PRECINCT 1.

Commissioner Boggs believes this to be the most cost effective avenue for his precinct. At the end of a 3 year contract there will be an option to purchase.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to sign a lease agreement for 3 years at \$1,712.06 per month.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 10

- IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING PETITION FOR AND ORDERING THE CALL OF AN ELECTION WITHIN THE CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT, TEXAS FOR OR AGAINST (1) THE LEGAL SALE OF BEER AND WINE FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION ONLY, AND (2) THE LEGAL SALE OF MIXED BEVERAGES BY FOOD AND BEVERAGE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS ONLY.
- (1) Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve petition to order election for the legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption only. Three Aye, no nays, 2 present not voting
- (2) Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve petition to order election for the legal sale of mixed beverages by food and beverage certificate holders only.

Four Ayes, no nays, 1 present not voting SEE ATTACHMENT # 11

12. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING PLAT LOT NO. 2R-1, LIVE OAK MARKETPLACE ADDITION-G.W. GRAVES SURVEY A-246 Mt. Pleasant, Titus County, Texas, U.S. Highway No. 271.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Mike Fields to approve plat. Motion carried unanimously

ATTACHMENT- PLAT CABINET #547 COUNTY CLERKS OFFICE

13. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF A TITUS COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIAL TO SERVE ON THE NETPRO BOARD.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to appoint Sam W. Russell, Titus County Judge as appointee to serve on the NETPRO Board.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 13

14. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING TRAVEL AND SEMINAR FOR TITUS COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICALS.

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

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 14

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

Motion was made by Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve oral and written reports.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 15

#### 16. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve budget amendment # 26-purchase of tax assessor software.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 16

## 17. IN THE MATTER OF SIGNING PAY ORDERS AND APPROVING PAYMENTS.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 17

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

Commissioner Boggs stated he would be going out for bids on a tractor and side boom mower; these items are not available for lease.

Commissioner Fields stated he would be going out for bids on a new type of oil dirt not previously bid on. He will choose a short county road to experiment the new oil dirt out on.

Judge Sam Russell inquired as to whether or not a Clean-Up day for the City had been scheduled to take place in October. No specific day mentioned.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously.