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

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas, will be held on the 28th day of September, 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 / INVOCATION

- 1. Public comments and/or requests for information on non-agenda items in accordance with Section 551.042, Texas Open Meetings Act: (a) Receive report from Chuck Hinton on Titus County Cares building project
- 2. Consider and Possibly Approve Minutes for Commissioners' Court Special Meeting on August 31, 2009 and Regular Meeting September 14, 2009
- 3. Consider and Possibly Approve Renewing insurance with Buford-Redford Insurance
- 4. Consider and Possibly Approve new fees required for cases filed in District Court
- 5. Consider and Possibly Approve 2010 Titus County Resolution Indigent Defense Grant Program
- Consider and Possibly Accept Petition for and Order the Call of an Election within the City of Winfield, Texas, on May 8, 2010, for or against prohibiting the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only
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- 10. Adopt the 2009-2010 Budget
- 11. Ratify the Property Tax increase reflected in the budget. This budget will raise more total property taxes than last year's budget by \$516,638 (5.76%), and of that amount, \$158,488 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year.
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- 17. Approve Oral and Written Reports of County Officials
- 18. Approve Budget Amendments
- 19. Sign Pay Orders and Approve Payments
- 20. Closing Comments by County Judge and Commissioners, if any
  - a. Notice received in the Matter of Raising the Salary of the Titus County Auditor, Assistant Auditors and Bailiff

**ADJOURN** 

Commissioners' Court of Titus County, Texas

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 25th day of September, 2009, and remained so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

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# 14. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH NET DATA (SOFTWARE)

This item was tabled; no copy of contract was available.

Motion was made by Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Mike Fields to table this item.

4. IN THE MATTER OF NEW FEES REQUIRED FOR CASES FILED IN DISTRICT COURT

Debra Abston, District Clerk, presented proposed fee schedule as follows:

New fees consist of an Archival Fee-District Only, \$5.00 Appellate Judicial Fee for every civil case in District and County, \$5.00 Technology Fund Fee for all Civil and \$5.00 for Criminal for County and District. These fees go into effect January 1, 2010.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve the new fees required for cases filed in District Court.

Motion carried unanimously

**SEE ATTACHMENT #4** 

5. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING 2010 TITUS COUNTY RESOLUTION INDIGENT DEFENSE GRANT PROGRAM.

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve Titus County Resolution indigent Defense Grant Program.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 5

6. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY ACCEPTING PETITION FOR AND ORDER THE CALL OF AN ELECTION WITHIN THE CITY OF WINFIELD, TEXAS, ON MAY 8, 2010, FOR OR AGAINST PROHIBITING THE LEGAL SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR OFF-PREMISE CONSUMPTION ONLY.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to accept the petition and call for the election within the City of Winfield, Texas, On May 8, 2010 for or against prohibiting the legal sale of all alcoholic beverages for off-premise consumption only.

Motion carried unanimously

**SEE ATTACHMENT #6** 

7. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ARAMARK CORRECTIONAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE FOOD SERVICE AT THE TITUS COUNTY JAIL ON A TRIAL BASIS. Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday to approve agreement with Aramark Correctional Services. Service can be discontinued at any time with proper notice.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT #7

8. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES FOR VOTING BOXES 15 AND 18.

Michelle Arnold for Box 15 to replace Karen Webba-Harmon and Jennifer Rovell for Box 18 to replace Gaylene Sievert. Early voting Elmer Patton to replace Bridget Byers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve the new elections judges for voting boxes 15 and 18.

Motion carried unanimously.

**SEE ATTACHMENT #8** 

9. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING ADJUSTING FEES FOR WATER AND ELECTRICITY AT THE COUNTY PARK IN MONTICELLO.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and was seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve adjusting the fees for water and electricity from \$7 to \$9. Motion carried unanimously.

15. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING 2010 COMMISSIONER COURT DATES.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and was seconded by Phillip Hinton to approve 2010 Commissioner Court Dates.

SEE ATTACHMENT # 15

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and was seconded by Commissioner Mike Fields to approve travel and seminars for Justice of the Peace 1,3,4's and staff.

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 16

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

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

Motion carried unanimously

SEE ATTACHMENT # 17

18. IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERING AND POSSIBLY APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS.
None

19. 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 # 19

- 20. IN THE MATTER OF CLOSING COMMENTS BY COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS.
  - a. Notice received in the Mater of Raising the Salary of the Titus County Auditor, Assistant Auditors, and Baliff

3% raise was granted by District Judges and was reflected in the 2009-2010 Budget approved on line item # 10.

Commissioner Mike Fields commented on how well the Jam Fest went at Monticello Park and stated that it would take place again next year.

Teresa Price requested that the court speak in the microphone so that the audio system would pick up the comments made. Stating that the audio was being placed on the internet soon.

Thomas Hockaday that Chapel Hill Fire Dept were awarded a grant in the amount of \$155,000 and requested that the County put up the 15%, up front money, required for purchase of the Fire Truck.

Judge Sam Russell mentioned that the Titus County Fair is taking place this week starting on Wednesday and ending on Saturday.

Chuck Hinton told the court that the name of the new building would be Titus County Cares Resource Center but that a plaque would be placed on the outside of the building dedicating the gift in the name of Jim Jones given by Mueller Building Company.

Leonard Rockwell informed the Court of a problem with the election system account being frozen due to a dispute over a bill in the amount of \$264. Mr. Rockwell further stated that he would need to send ballots overseas today and that this dispute could interrupt that action. Mr. Rockwell also commented on 2 broken machines needing to be repaired but the company refusing service due to the account dispute.

Judge Sam Russell stated that he would personally give the company a call to resolve this matter.

### IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and seconded by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday to adjourn.