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**COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS
SPECIAL MEETING
May 24 2010**

PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC ATTENDING:

Sam W. Russell, County Judge
Mike Fields, Commissioner Precinct 2
Thomas Hockaday, Commissioner Precinct 4
Carl Johnson, County Auditor
Kay McNutt, JP 1, 3 4
Joyce Simpson, Asst to County Judge
Bobby Palmer

Don Boggs, Commissioner Pct 1
Phillip Hinton, Commissioner Pct 3
Teresa Price, County Clerk
Tim Ingram, County Sheriff
Debra Abston, District Clerk
Norma Narramore
Brian Lee

Judge Sam Russell called the Special Meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. on May 24, 2010 stating that for the record, notices had been posted 72 hours preceding the meeting as requested by the Open Records Act.

Judge Russell led the Commissioners' Court in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Don Boggs followed with the invocation.

1. Public Comments and/or Requests for Information on Non-agenda Items in accordance with Section 551.042, Texas Open Meetings Act

There were no public comments and/or requests for information on non-agenda items.

2. Review Minutes for Special Meeting April 26, 2010, May 10, 2010 Regular Meeting and May 17, 2010 Special Meeting

Commissioner Don Boggs asked that on the April 26, 2010 minutes the name be corrected on item 11, Closing comments, to Ed Gillespie instead of Ted Gillespie. Also, to add those in attendance that was left off. He also asked that she check for grammatical errors before sending minutes to be approved. Ms. Price assured the court that this would be done.

Motion was made by Commissioner Don Boggs and seconded by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday to table the minutes until corrections were made. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Consider and Possibly Approve Preservation of Divorce Judgment; Divorce Minutes and Civil Minutes from District Clerk's office to be taken from Records Management

Debra Abston, District Clerk, came before the court with a request to preserve the following books: Divorce Judgment 1 - \$934.00; Divorce Minutes 2 - \$867.00 and Civil Minutes (will be returned in two books) - \$1724.00. Ms. Abston stated that these books are of historical value dating back to 1895 and are falling apart with the pages being very brittle. A backup will be stored in Dallas at the company who is preserving the books.

Motion was made by Commissioner Mike Fields and seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve preservation of Divorce Judgment; Divorce Minutes and Civil Minutes from District Clerk's office to be taken from Records Management. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider and Possibly Approve Filing System for District Clerk's Office to be taken from Records Management

Ms. Abston explained that she is out of filing space and brought before the Commissioners' Court two options of filing systems for the basement:

Option 1 – This option contains 2 rolling carriages and two stationery carriages and holds 5040 filing inches or the equivalent of 41 five drawer file cabinets. Price is \$13,068.00

Option 2 – This option contains one stationery carriage and three rolling carriages and holds 5880 filing inches or the equivalent of 47 five drawer file cabinets. Price is \$13,710.00

County Auditor, Carl Johnson, informed the court that there was only \$11,000 in Records Management and the rest would have to be taken out of General Accounting. There is plenty of money in the County Clerk's Record Management account but wasn't sure if this could be used for District Clerk expenses.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve the purchase of Option 2 at a cost of \$13,710.00. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Consider and Possibly Approve Travel and Seminars for Titus County Employees and Elected Officials

Travel was submitted from the:

- County Attorney to attend the Nuts & Bolts of Juvenile to be held in Austin July 8, 2010
- Sheriff's office for Officer Leonel Martinez, Sally Evans and Haden Stinson for TCLEOSE education at the East Texas Police Academy on Basic County Corrections Course on June 17-July 2, 2010 in Texarkana, Texas
- Sheriff's office for Lt. Brent Smith and Sgt. Brad Duncan to attend New Supervisor Training in McKinney, Texas by the Collin County Law Enforcement Academy June 21-23
- Sheriff's office for Sgt. Mark Davis and Sgt. Clint Bain to attend a Risk Management Workshop course presented by Texas Association of Counties in Grandbury, Texas on June 2, 2010

Motion was made by Commissioner Phillip Hinton and seconded by Commissioner Don Boggs to approve travel and seminars for Titus County Employees and Elected Officials. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consider and Possibly Approve Oral and Written Reports of County Officials

There were no oral reports. Written reports were received from County Clerk; City of Talco VFD and the Auditor's office.

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Hockaday and seconded by Commissioner Phillip Hinton to approve written reports of County Officials. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Approve Budget Amendments

There were no budget amendments.

8. Sign Pay Orders and Approve Payments

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

9. Closing Comments by County Judge and Commissioners, if any

Judge Russell thanked everyone for their prayers, food, flowers and other forms of condolences during the death of his brother. Due to the death of his brother, Judge Russell changed the court dates scheduled for this week to next week, June 2, 3 & 4th. Bobby Palmer from the Daily Tribune will run a schedule change in the paper today.

Adjourn

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