

March 28, 2000 10 00 a.m.

COMMISSIONERS COURT

of Polk County, Texas
County Courthouse, 3rd floor
Livingston, Texas

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NOTICE

is hereby given that a regular meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court will be held on the date stated above, at which time the following subjects will be discussed,

Agenda topics

- 1 CALL TO ORDER
- 2 PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 3 INFORMATIONAL REPORTS
 - A Proclamation designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month.
- 4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the Meeting of March 14 2000

OLD BUSINESS

5 CONSIDER ANY/ALL NECESSARY ACTION PERTAINING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT REQUEST FOR CHANGE ORDER IN CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF C&D CELL (Bid #97-19)

NEW BUSINESS

- 6 CONSIDER ANY/ALL NECESSARY ACTION PERTAINING TO BID #2000 05 PURCHASE OF TWO MAINTAINERS WITH SALE OR TRADE IN OF USED MAINTAINERS PCT 4 INCLUDING APPROVAL TO ISSUE TIME WARRANT FOR SAID PURCHASE, AS DESCRIBED IN LEGAL NOTICE OF BID
- CONSIDER APPROVAL OF OFFERS TO PURCHASE TAX FORECLOSURE PROPERTIES (Pct 3) Lots 299 & 301 Reily Village
- 8 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDER DESIGNATING SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT COUNTY AUCTION ON APRIL 1 2000
- 9 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS
- 10 SCHEDULES OF BILLS
- 11 PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS

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Dated March 22, 2000

Commissioners Court of Polk County, Texas

John P Thompson, County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Notice and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Notice in the Polk County Courthouse at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on Wednesday, March 22, 2000 and that said Notice remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting.

BARBARA MIDDLETON COUNTY CLERK

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COMMISSIONERS COURT

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ADDENDUM

The following will serve to amend the Notice and Agenda Of The Commissioners Court Meeting scheduled for March 28, 2000 at 10 00 A M

Amend;

4 (To include) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM EMERGENCY MEETING HELD MARCH 17,2000

Add;

- 12 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, SCHEDULE & DISTANCE MARKERS FOR PRIMARY RUN-OFF ELECTION, as submitted by County Clerk
- 13 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NOAA WEATHER RADIO

Commissioners Court of Polk Sounty, Texas

Dated Friday, March 24, 2000

John P Thompson, County Judge

I, the undersigned County Clerk, do hereby certify that the above Addendum to the Notice of Meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court is a true and correct copy of said Addendum and that I posted a true and correct copy of said Addendum at the door of the Polk County Courthouse at a place readily accessible to the general public at all times on Friday March 24 2000 and that said Addendum remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said Meeting

BARBARA MIDDLETON-GOUNTY CLERK

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DATE MARCH 28, 2000

STATE OF TEXAS }

COUNTY OF POLK }

"REGULAR" CALLED MEETING
All Present

"COMMISSIONERS COURT"

BE IT REMEMBERED ON THIS THE <u>28th</u> DAY OF MARCH, 2000 THE HONORABLE COMMISSIONERS COURT MET IN "REGULAR" CALLED MEETING WITH THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS AND MEMBERS PRESENT, TO WIT

JUDGE JOHN P THOMPSON, PRESIDING
B E "Slim" SPEIGHTS COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT#1, BOBBY SMITH
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT #2, JAMES J "Buddy" PURVIS - COUNTY
COMMISSIONER PCT#3, R R "Dick" HUBERT - COUNTY COMMISSIONER PCT#4,
BARBARA MIDDLETON COUNTY CLERK, & BILL LAW COUNTY AUDITOR,
THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS, ORDERS, AND DECREES WERE DULY HAD,
CONSIDERED & PASSED

- 1 JUDGE JOHN THOMPSON CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND WELCOMED THE GUESTS AT 10 00 A M
 REV KENNETH DARDEN OF MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH DELIVERED THE OPENING PRAYER
- 2 PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE

 Judge Thompson Members of the public wishing to address the Court will be invited to do so at this time. This is the only portion of the meeting during which public comments will be accepted. Ruling from the Attorney General regarding open meetings act, the Court may only answer a rhetorical question posed by the public and may not hold any discussion of an item presented other than to place such item on a future agenda for discussion.
- 3 INFORMATIONAL REPORTS
 - A Scott Springfield of Rural Metro Ambulance reported that telephone call volume is down compared to last month Response time (getting to calls) also down, and an average response time to patients is 10 7 minutes. The service has added a (fourth) Ambulance for Polk County
 - B Sheriff Billy Ray Nelson, announced the retirement of Chuck Staton effective this Friday, March 31, 2000 He introduced James M "Mike" Nettles as his new Chief Deputy
 - C Commissioner Smith thanked the Sheriff for bringing the Trustee's (jail inmates) to Onalaska for helping with the Clean Up
 - D Motioned by Bobby Smith, Seconded by B E "Slim" Speights to approve a Proclamation designating "APRIL" as CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH, as requested by Jean LeBlanc of Juvenile Probation (See attached)
 - E Judge Thompson announced April 1ST is the county's Surplus Sale at Dick Hubert's Auction location on Highway 59 North and the General Public has many items offered for sale
- 4 MOTIONED BY BOBBY SMITH, SECONDED BY R R "Dick" HUBERT, APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON MARCH 14th AND "AMEND" MOTION TO INCLUDE MINUTES OF "EMERGENCY" MARCH 17, 2000 ALL VOTING YES

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- 5 MOTIONED BY JUDGE THOMPSON, SECONDED BY BOBBY SMITH, TO "DELETE" Item #5 Consider any/all necessary action pertaining to Waste Management request for change order in contract for construction of C&D CELL (Bid#97-19)
 ALL VOTING YES
- 6 BID # 2000-05 PRECINCT 4 "MAINTAINERS"

 MOTIONED BY R R "Dick" HUBERT, SECONDED BY BOBBY SMITH, TO ACCEPT BID FROM MUSTANG TRACTOR EQUIPMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF (2) TWO MAINTAINERS WITH SALE OR TRADE IN OF USED MAINTAINERS, INCLUDING APPROVAL OF TIME WARRANT FOR FOR SAID PURCHASE, AS DESCRIBED IN LEGAL NOTICE OF BID ALL VOTING YES)
- 7 MOTIONED BY JAMES J "Buddy" PURVIS, SECONDED BY BOBBY SMITH APPROVAL OF OFFERS TO PURCHASE TAX FORECLOSURE PROPERTIES PRECINCT #3, LOTS 299 & 301, REILY VILLAGE ALL VOTING YES
- 8 MOTIONED BY JAMES J "Buddy" PURVIS, SECONDED BY B E "Slim" SPEIGHTS APPROVAL OF "ORDER" DESIGNATING SURPLUS PROPERTY TO BE SOLD AT COUNTY AUCTION ON APRIL 1, 2000
 ALL VOTING YES (SEE ATTACHED)
- 9 MOTIONED BY BOBBY SMITH, SECONDED BY B E "Slim" SPEIGHTS, APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT #2000-12
 ALL VOTING YES (SEE ATTACHED)
- 10 MOTIONED BY BOBBY SMITH, SECONDED BY JAMES J "Buddy" PURVIS, APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF BILLS (BY SCHEDULE) PLUS ADDENDUMS

	(SEE ATTACHED)	ALL VOTING YES
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- 11 MOTIONED BY R R "Dick" HUBERT, SECONDED BY B E 'Slim" SPEIGHTS APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION FORMS
 ALL VOTING YES (SEE ATTACHED)
- 12 MOTIONED BY BOBBY SMITH, SECONDED BY B E "Slim" SPEIGHTS, APPROVAL OF EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS, SCHEDULE & DISTANCE MARKERS FOR PRIMARY RUN-OFF ELECTION, APRIL 11, 2000 ALL VOTING YES (SEE ATTACHED)
- 13 MOTIONED BY BOBBY SMITH, SECONDED BY R R "Dick" HUBERT, APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF THE NOAA WEATHER RADIO
 ALL VOTING YES (SEE ATTACHED)
- 14 MOTIONED BY R R "Dick" HUBERT, SECONDED BY B E "Slim" SPEIGHTS TO ADJOURN COURT THIS 28th DAY OF MARCH, 2000 AT 10 20 A M ALL VOTING YES

JOHN P THOMPSON, COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST

BARBARA MIDDLETON, COUNTY CLERK

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Whereas, Nearly 111,147 cases of child abuse and neglect were confirmed in Texas in fiscal Year 1998; and

Whereas, Child abuse prevention is a community responsibility and finding solutions depends on involvement among all people, and

Whereas, Communities must make every effort to promote programs that benefit children and their families; and

Whereas, Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships among agencies, schools, law enforcement agencies, religious organizations, and the business community, and

Whereas, everyone in the community should become more aware of child abuse prevention and consider helping parents raise their children in a safe, nurturing environment,

Cherefore, I, John P Thompson, County Judge, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2000 to be Child Abuse Prevention Month in Polk County, Texas and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect significantly in years to come

Dated this 28th day of March, 2000.

John P Thompson, County Judge, Polk County, Texas





ORDER OF THE POLK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Designating "Surplus Property" for disposal in Public Auction to be held April 1, 2000

WHEREAS, in a regularly called meeting of the Polk County Commissioners Court held March 28, 2000, the following items were determined to be "Surplus property", as defined by Local Government Code, Chapter 263 Subchapter D, Section 263 151, as per listing attached hereto as Exhibit "A"

THEREFORE, the aforementioned items are hereby designated as Surplus Property of the County and shall be offered for sale by public auction

John P Thompson, County Judge

CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

The undersigned, being the County Clerk of Polk County, Texas, does hereby certify that this ORDER was duly adopted by the Commissioners Court for Polk County on March 28, 2000

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my signature and the official seal of the Polk County Commissioners Court to this certification

(Seal)

Barbara Middleton, County Clerk

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By: Ball Law County Auditor

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March 28 2000

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Addendum Schedule of Bills for Court Dated 3/28/2000

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Corrigan Fire Department	\$1,000 00	Fire Dept Training
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Hart Information Services, Inc	\$3,743 43	County Clerk
Ecolab	\$415 84	Jail
Foremost Dairy	\$57 87	Jail
Ben E Keith	\$616 21	Jail
Frank Nail	\$875 00	R & B 1
Computer Lab	\$275 00	Sheriff Department
Bickerstaff, Heath, Smiley, etc	\$150 00	County Judge

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FARLY VOTING SCHEDULE for PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTIONS ~ APRIL II, 2000

EARLY VOTING BY PERSONAL APPEARANCE WILL BE CONDUCTED BEGINNING APRIL 3rd THROUGH APRIL 7th, 2000

LOCATION <u>LIVINGSTON ~ MAIN COURTHOUSE LOBBY</u> (Only)

TIME MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - $800 \text{ A M} \sim 500 \text{ P M}$

EARLY VOTING WILL NOT BE HELD AT THE ONALASKA & CORRIGAN SUB-COURTHOUSES

DISTANCE MARKERS (ORDER)

Early Voting Clerk is requesting the outside distance marker be approved for 30 ft for Early Voting Location

Respectfully subspirited

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EARLY VOTING - CLERKS

APRIL 11, 2000 RUN-OFF ELECTIONS

LIVINGSTON COURTHOUSE LOBBY

SHIRLEY CAIN - 685-4667 (MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)

BESSIE JOHNSON 685-685-4069 (MONDAY 4/3 & TUESDAY 4/4) 2-DAYS

HAZEL RUMBY 563-2153 (WEDNESDAY 4/5, THURS 4/6, & FRIDAY 4/7) 2-DAYS

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AGREEMENT FOR THE OPERATION OF A NOAA WEATHER RADIO TRANSMITTER BY A PRIVATE COOPERATOR PENDING DONATION TO THE GOVERNMENT

I. Purpose

This agreement sets forth the circumstances under which the National Weather Service (NWS) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), an operating unit of the Department of Commerce, will use radio transmitters and related equipment provided by Polk County (hereinafter referred to as the "Cooperator"), to operate the NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) system. This will take place pending the anticipated acceptance by the NWS of the transmitter and equipment as donated property into the NWR system. The NWS has authority to conduct the activities anticipated by this agreement under 15 U S C § 313 and 49 U S C § 44720, and to accept the transmitters and equipment under 15 U S C § 1522

II. Background

The Vice President has set a goal that 95% of the United States will be served by NWR. The private sector has been encouraged to support the NWS in meeting this goal by providing transmitters and transmission equipment to serve their local communities. Transmitters and equipment owned or purchased by "Cooperators" (private sector entities, such as state and local jurisdictions, or utility service providers), would be donated to the NWS. Upon acceptance of the transmitters and equipment, the NWS will operate and maintain the equipment. However, for logistical reasons, the NWS is not capable of accepting and operating every one of the myriad types of transmitters available on the open market. The NWS can only accept and operate transmitters that would be compatible with other equipment the NWS intends to purchase. The NWS is in the process of establishing a list of approved sources from which equipment may be purchased by the private sector and donated to the NWS.

Until the list of approved sources is completed, however, the private sector would like to make equipment available to the NWS with some assurance that the equipment will, in fact, be acceptable and useful to the NWS and the NWR system. This agreement sets forth the NWS's intentions concerning acceptance of equipment supplied by the private sector into the NWR system.

III. General Conditions

Once the NWS establishes the list of approved sources of equipment, it will accept into

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the NWR System transmitters and related equipment that meet the following conditions. Are produced by one of the contract approved vendors or suppliers (on the approved equipment source list),

Meet the specifications contained in the final procurement contracts entered into between the NWS and its contractors,

Meet NWS installation standards and specifications, and

Pass a minimum 30 day operational test

If, at the time the NWS finalizes its requirements, the transmitters and equipment purchased by the Cooperator do not satisfy the criteria set forth above, the Cooperator has two options

- (1) If the transmitter and equipment were manufactured by a NWS-approved vendor/supplier, the Cooperator may upgrade the system to meet NWS's requirements. If the transmitter and equipment were not manufactured by a NWS-approved vendor/supplier, the Cooperator may replace its equipment with equipment that is manufactured by an approved vendor/supplier prior to donation to the NWS
- (2) The Cooperator will not donate the transmitter and equipment to the NWS, but, instead, will retain ownership and responsibility for continued operation and maintenance of the system by executing a standard Cooperator agreement with the NWS to that effect Under that agreement, the Cooperator will retain ownership of the transmitter and all equipment and will broadcast information made available to it by the NWS

Once a transmitter and equipment is accepted into the NWR system, the NWS will have full responsibility for operation and maintenance of the equipment. Since the donation would not include any real property upon which a transmitter and equipment may be located, the Cooperator, will agree to execute an agreement permitting the NWS and its employees to have access to and continued use of the transmission site, the tower, the transmitter shelter at no cost. The Cooperator also agrees to provide power to the transmitter at no cost to the NWS.

Upon acceptance of the transmitter and equipment, the NWS will execute a Form CD-210, "Record of Gift or Bequest" The gift is not accepted by the Government until this form has been executed. All gift acceptances will conform to the requirements of 15 U S C § 1522 and Department Administrative Order 203-9, which set forth and govern the authority of the Department of Commerce to accept gifts from the private sector. No transmitters or equipment will be accepted from any entity with which the NWS, or, in cases of gifts valued over \$25,000, the Department of Commerce, has a conflict of interest, or where acceptance would cause a reasonable person with knowledge of all the facts relevant to a particular case to question the integrity of agency programs or operations.

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If, during the period of this agreement, the Cooperator acquires matters which result in or create the appearance of a conflict, the terms of this agreement will remain in effect with no transfer of equipment ownership to the NWS until such time as the conflict or appearance of conflict is resolved. If the conflict or appearance of conflict cannot be resolved within a reasonable time, as determined by the NWS, this agreement will be terminated. The Cooperator has the option of executing a standard non-gifted agreement or removing the transmitter from service.

IV Location

The transmitter system covered by this Agreement will be located at 2673 FM 3459, Onalaska TX 77360, hereinafter referred to as Onalaska, Polk County The Cooperator agrees that the transmitter system's primary objective is to meet the NWS's needs for forecast and warnings operations and must fit within the overall comprehensive national NWR system.

V Equipment Procurement and Installation

The Cooperator agrees to provide equipment, shelter, and installation as specified by the NWS, described in Attachment 1 to this agreement. The Cooperator acknowledges and understands that the specifications in the final contract to be entered into by the NWS may undergo some changes or modifications from the specifications set forth in Attachment 1 to this agreement. This may result in the need to modify the transmitter system installed under the terms set forth in section III above. The Cooperator agrees to be solely responsible for all aspects of equipment installation and operation until ownership of the transmitter is transferred to the NWS. The Cooperator will be responsible for the transmitter site's compliance with local zoning laws and Federal Aviation Administration requirements, if any. The Cooperator also agrees to provide a detailed site survey on forms provided by the NWS.

The NWS reserves the right the inspect the proposed transmitter site, associated equipment, and communications links from the programming office prior to and following installation and to conduct other test or studies as necessary to ensure the site, equipment and installation will meet the long term needs of the NWS

VI. License and Operating Requirements

The NWS will obtain a license for the transmitter. The license will remain the property of the NWS. The Cooperator agrees to provide all information required by the NWS for the license application. Until the equipment is accepted into the NWS NWR system, the Cooperator agrees to operate the transmitter strictly in accordance with the license, and to operate continuously Broadcast content will originate solely from an authorized NWS source. The license will be canceled upon the termination of this agreement unless ownership of the equipment is transferred to the NWS or replaced by a standard non-gift Cooperator agreement.

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The NWS reserves the right to perform random checks on the transmitted signal and to inspect the transmitter, antenna, and/or supporting facilities to ensure compliance with the specifications and terms of this agreement. The Cooperator agrees to provide access to any equipment and supporting facilities covered by this agreement within 24 hours of an NWS request.

VII. Utilities, Leases, and Communications Services

The Cooperator is responsible for all service-related costs for the operation of the transmitter as long as it retains ownership of the transmitter including site lease, power, and communications links to bring the audio program from the NWS office to the transmitter

VIII. Defining Service Area

The Cooperator agrees to provide the NWS office at _Dickinson, Texas (which is responsible for producing the audio program service) with a map showing the area serviced by a signal level of at least 8 microvolts/meter within 90 days after the transmitter is placed into operation

IX Maintenance

The Cooperator is responsible for all aspects of maintenance until the time ownership of the transmitter is transferred to the NWS or until this agreement is terminated under section XIII

The Cooperator will use qualified and licensed radio technicians for maintenance performed on the transmitter. The Cooperator agrees to assign sufficient priority to the maintenance of the transmitter to ensure that outages are kept to a minimum, breakdowns and malfunctions are acted upon quickly, and equipment performs routinely within technical specifications.

The Cooperator agrees to notify the NWS office identified above whenever the transmitter goes off the air and when service is again restored

The NWS is responsible for ensuring that transmitter emissions meet specifications. The NWS, particularly when made aware of a radio frequency interference (RFI) problem, may require the Cooperator to conduct an immediate technical checkout of the transmitter. If any RFI problem persists, the Cooperator will shut down the transmitter until the problem is solved.

X. Publicity

The NWS office responsible for the transmitter service area and the Cooperator will coordinate and jointly issue a public announcement covering the new service. If the service is terminated for any reason, the two agencies will also coordinate a public statement explaining the reason(s) for the termination.

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XI. Government Held Harmless

The Cooperator shall hold and save the Government, its officers, agents, and employees, for or on account of any suits or damages of any character whatsoever resulting from injuries or damages sustained by any person or property by virtue of activities conducted under this agreement.

XII. Financial Responsibility

All costs associated with the installation, operation, and maintenance of the transmitter up until the time of ownership to the NWS shall be borne by the Cooperator The NWS's responsibility for costs incurred under this agreement are limited to those necessary to make available the audio program at the NWS programming office, and the availability of funds

XIII Amendments and Termination

This agreement may be amended or modified at any time by mutual consent of the parties. It may also be terminated at any time by mutual consent, or terminated unilaterally by either party by giving at least 60 calendar days advance written notice to the other. This agreement is automatically terminated upon (1) transfer of ownership of the Cooperator's equipment to the NWS, or (2) the Cooperator does not transfer ownership of equipment, but, instead, executes a standard agreement as described in section III

XIV Effective Date

This agreement is effective as of the last date shown below when signed by both parties, and shall remain in effect for five years from the date of last signing unless sooner terminated under section XIV above

Cooperator
John Thompson
Polk County Judge

Date

NWS

Date

X William Proenza Regional Director

National Weather Service, Southern Region