Special Session Commissioners Court September 8, 1998

The Hunt County Commissioners Court met this day for a public hearing on the proposed tax rate of .4563 for FY 1998-99. All Commissioners were present with Judge Bobbitt presiding. Judge ask for comments from the public-Thomas Willis from the Hogeye community discussed the necessity for the increase in the tax rate. Judge Bobbitt stated there was not an increase in the tax rate; but noted that the increase comes from the additional tax base, based on the budget the Court has proposed it will require that additional growth in the county to fund the budget. Judge Bobbitt further stated that the County strives to live within the growth of the county-growth of government to hold it within the growth of the county itself. For the record the 1998 certified \$1,776,472,370.00, amount collected 3.1% and the appraised value less than 2%. The public hearing was closed at 10:10am.

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The Hunt County Commissioners Court also met for a special session to Discuss and Possibly take action on resolution to change a polling place for the November 3, 1998 General Election:' (All Commissioners present & Judge Bobbitt presiding 7000) On the motion by Ralph Green, second by Allen Martin, the Court approved moving the mobile early voting location to be held on October 24, 1998 in Quinlan, Texas currently held at the D.C. Cannon Elementary School to the Save-Mart grocery store located at 315 South Business 34, Quinlan, Texas in an effort to have more voter turnout. This location meets the accessibility requirements for the elderly and physically handicapped, per Sec. 43.034 Subch. B of the Texas Election Code. This special session is closed. The Court went into executive session with no action taken.

Special Session Commissioners Court September 14. 1998

The Hunt County Commissioners Court met this rew at 9:30am with all Commissioners present and Judge Bobbitt presiding for a public hearing on the closing of CR 4400 in Pct. 4. The Court received a letter from property owners Margaret Eileen Pettit, Mark Sullivan and A.F. Dieterich which are the only people who have a need to use this road, stating since this road is a deadend and seldom used, it is a place for dumping. Commissioner Martin will advise these people that once this road is closed it cannot be reopened by property owners request without going through this same process. Commissioner Martin also made the suggestion that these property owners get together and put up a gate at the entrance to this road. This public hearing was closed at 9:40am.

Regular Session Commissioners Court September 14, 1998

The Hunt County Commissioners Court met this day with all Commissioners present and Judge Bobbitt presiding. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved with change added.

(for all justice courts)

On the motion by Judge Bobbitt, second by Jim Walker, the Court approved a collection agreement with an independant agency-American Municipal Service Corp. located in Carrollton, Texas. Sarge Erwin-JP Pct.1 Place 2 advised the Court that this is an efficient way to collect fines, AMSC will collect a contingent fee of 20% of the amount collected on citations and/or warrants. All expenses in the collection process, including labor, postage, telephone skip, tracing, etc. shall be paid by AMSC; which will not be considered as a county employee, agent or representative of the county. AMSC will constantly monitor their employees to insure all contacts with defendants are done in a polite and courteous approach, allowing the county to withdraw any citation/or warrant at any time, or allow either party to this collection agreement to terminate agreement upon 10 days prior written notice per Code of Criminal Procedure Art. 6701 d-28.

- 'Discuss and possibly take action on renewing fire contracts with the volunteer fire departments:' Placed on OLD BUSINESS
- 7002 On the motion by Kenneth Thornton, second by Allen Martin, the Court approved the sale of Motorgrader for \$10,000 to be transferred from Pct 1 to Pct 2.
- 7003 On the motion by Thornton, second by Martin, the Court approved road upgrade from rock to oil sand on CR 1001, 1033 and 1105 in Pct 1, which is a highly populated with alot of traffic, for a total of 3 miles-exact footage to be given to the Court by Commissioner Thornton.
- 7004 On the motion by Thornton, second by Green, the Court approved amended (29ac) final plat for the Power Plant addition in Pct 1.
- 7005 On the motion by Ralph Green, second by Martin, the Court approved request from GTE Telephone Operations to bury telephone cable along the ROW of CR 2738 in Pct 2 with the usual stipulations.
- 7006 On the motion by Green, second by Thornton, the Court approved the (34.264 ac/ 16-2ac lots) preliminary plat for the Caddo Airport Evergreen Estates located in the Geo. W. Davis survey A-229 which was developed by Harold Payne for double wide mobile bones.
- 7007 On the motion by Martin, second by Green, the Court approved the closing of CR 4402 in Pct 4 per the request of the property owners--Commissioner Martin to contact owners concerning installation of a gate at the entrance to this property.
- 700% On the motion by Green, second by Walker, the Court granted permission to advertise for the sale and purchase of rock & hauling- 1 year contract, copier and computer paper-2 year contract, premixed oil and sand- 1 year contract, gasoline and diesel- 1 year contract, seal coating- 1 year contract, bank depository- 1 year contract, road oil- 1 year

contract, asphault hot and cold- 1 year contract, copier yearly maintenance- 3 year contract, permission for sale of Motorgraders-all precincts, permission to buy (1) or more truck tractors-all precincts, permission to buy (1) or more pick ups-all precincts, permission to buy (1) or more trailers (belly dumps)-all precincts and permission to buy Motorgraders-all precincts.

7009 On the motion by Martin, second by Thornton, the Court approved resolution to change fixed assets from \$250 to \$1000 cm items going into depreciation which is a matter of auditing and bookeeping per our outside auditors request effective for FY 1998-99.

70/O On the motion by Green, second by Martin, the Court adopted the FY 1998-99 Hunt County Budget of \$13,506,504 in budgeted revenues, \$16,142,245 in budgeted expenditures.

On the motion by Martin, second by Walker, the Court set the FY 1998-99 Debt Service Tax

29.15¢ General Fund 2.50¢ Rd & Bridge #1 3.46¢ Rd & Bridge #2 rate as 4.42¢ per \$100 valuation.

7012 On the motion by Thornton, second by Green, the Court approved the FY 1998-99 Maintenance 3.02¢ Rd & Bridge #3 and Operation Tax Rate of 41.21¢ per \$100 valuation, which will be broken down as follows: 3.08¢

70/3 on the motion by Walker, second by Martin, the Court approved field service for the ROW for the Tawakoni State Park Road which had been previously negotiated in 1993 with Irv Nelson & Associated Field Service, Inc. located in Longview, Tx. for the countys acquistion of 5 tracts of land @ \$2000 avg. per tract (amount not to exceed \$15000). Funds to come out of ROW Fund.

70/4 On the motion by Martin, second by Green, the County has rescinded the outdoor burning ban. Judge Bobbitt stated the Texas Forest Service has said Hunt County has received a 1" slow soaking rain. Dorsey Driggers also agreed to lift the burning ban to allow residents to start burning again.

'Discuss & possibly take action on any items pertaining to the new jail:' No action taken.

70/5 On the motion by Judge Bobbitt, second by Thornton, the Court approved Jeff Nixon for Election Judge for Pct.101 in Celeste, Texas.

HEAR & DISCUSS REPORTS:

Larry McKinney-Hunt County Community Supervision & Corrections Department sent a letter to the court reporting the yearly finanical report showing the following contributions: \$42,236.82 to Road & Bridge Fund

27,134.51 to the county : 29,784.83 to the county for attorney fees 192,018.87 to the victims in the form of restitution 2,977.00 to the Hunt County Crimstoppers Account

70/6 On the motion by Martin, second by Thornton, the Court approved accounts payable. 70/7 On the motion by Green, second by Thornton, the Court approved line-item budget transfers.

PERSONNEL & PAYROLL:

County Auditor:

Add Chris Thatcher at the rate of \$5.25 per hour, effective 9-3-98.

County Clerk:

Remove Kelly Patterson, due to her resignation, effective 8-21-98.

Add Ben Thompson as partime records clerk at \$5.15 per hour, effective 9-8-98.

Commissioner Pct2:

Add Michael Lawson as pct worker R-4, effective 8-31-98.

Sheriffs Dept:

Remove Tom Glenn as detention officer due to his resignation, effective 8-19-98.

Remove Pam Robertson as detention officer, she quit without giving notice, effective 9-1-98.

Add Allison Hoge as detention officer (\$18,546 annually R-2) effective 9-7-98.

Add Jimmy Le Beau as detention officer (\$18,546 R-2) effective 9-14-98.

70/8 Approved on the motion by Green, second by Walker.

There was no executive session. Court Adjourned at 10:45 am. Minutes approved this 25 day of September, 1998.

Attest: