

**Tom Green County Commissioner's Court  
Special Budget Meeting Workshop –May 1, 2002**

The Tom Green County Commissioners' Court met in a Special Session in the Commissioners' Court Room of the Edd B. Keyes Building Wednesday, May 1, 2002 with the following present:

Clayton Friend, Commissioner Precinct #1  
Karl Bookter, Commissioner Precinct #2  
Jodie R. Weeks, Commissioner Precinct #3  
Richard Easingwood, Commissioner Precinct #4  
Michael D. Brown, County Judge

Judge Brown called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM with all Commissioners present, Stanley Liles, Auditor, Dianna Spieker, Treasurer and several other Department heads, as well as members of the press.

Deficits from budgeted revenues were discussed. The income from the Federal & City prisoners was less than budgeted, the tobacco settlement funds were about \$38,000.00 short, the Child Support Reimbursement was cut, solid waste revenue is less than expenditures and several other items. The budgeted revenue is approximately \$261,000.00 short at this time.

Senate Bill 7, dealing with indigent defense cost, has exceeded the allocated amount.

Sheriff Hunt requested a replacement transport car for the one that was wrecked. He suggested that one of the larger CID (Criminal Investigation Department) cars be used as a replacement for transportation and purchase a smaller car for CID.

**Judge Brown moved to authorize Sheriff Hunt to purchase a used car in the amount of \$12,385.00 and funds to be taken from auto repair, fuel & automobile line items in the Sheriff's budget. Commissioner Easingwood seconded the motion and all voted in favor.**

Sheriff Hunt explained that David Cantu and Alvie Hester had been paid overtime and he requested that the funds come from the salary line item where Alvie Hester's position had been held open to generate enough revenue to pay this overtime. Terry Southern will replace Alvie Hester in the Criminal Investigation Department. The overtime problem has been reduced but has not been eliminate. He requested that the Commissioners consider hiring 3 more patrol officers, 1 more CID officer, and 1 civil service clerk.to process civil subpoenas.

**Judge Brown moved for a line item transfer from personnel line item to Overtime and authorize balance of SCAAP(state criminal aid assistance program) to overtime. Commissioner Weeks seconded the motion and all voted in favor.**

Liability Insurance for this next year will be up approximately 20% more than the current budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M..

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Michael D. Brown, County Judge

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Elizabeth McGill, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk  
of the Commissioners' Court