Tom Green County Commissioners' Court May 28, 2002

The Commissioners' Court of Tom Green County, Texas, met in Regular Session May 28, 2002 in the Edd B. Keyes Building, with the following members present:

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

County Judge, Mike Brown, called the meeting to order at 8:01AM

Judge Brown recessed the Regular meeting to go into Executive Session. Judge Brown reconvened the Regular meeting in open session at 9:02 AM

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Mike Loving, City & County Health Director, offered the invocation.

7. Commissioner Friend moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Weeks:

- A. Approved the minutes of the from the Regular Meeting, May 14, 2002.
- B. Approved the Minutes from the Accounts Allowable from 5/15-21/02 in the amount of \$996,405.19 and from 5/22-28/02 in the amount of \$276,206.97 for a combined total of \$1,272,612.16; Purchase Orders from 5/13-17/02 in the amount of \$38,677.63 and from 5/20-24/02 in the amount of \$63,961.77 for a total of \$102,639.40.

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C. Accepted Personnel Actions as presented:

The following salary expenditures are being presented for your *Approval*:

				GKADE/		
<u>NAME</u>	DEPARTMENT	ACTION	EFF. DATE	STEP	SALAR	<u>Y</u>
Cline, Tonya F.	Collections	Promotion	06/01/02	10/1	\$ 618.82	S/M
Ortiz, Alma G.	County Clerk	Prom. & Trnsfr	06/01/02	13/1	\$ 717.58	S/M
*Asbill, Brandon	County Extension	New Hire	06/01/02	N/A	\$ 813.76	S/M
Nolen, Charles B.	Court-At-Law	New Hire	06/01/02	N/A	\$3892.99	9 S/M
"Ben"					•	•
Graves, Jared L.	DA	New Hire	06/03/02	P/T	\$ 6.00	/HR
Patrick, Tracy J.	DA - FFVVAU	New Hire	06/04/02	N/A	\$ 916.67	S/M
Williams, Allison L.	DA	Salary Increase	06/01/02	N/A	\$2405.8	5 S/M
Lester, James R.	Info Technology	Salary Increase	05/16/02	P/T	\$ 10.0	0 /HR
Miears, Bryan K.	Jail	Transfer	06/01/02	20/1	\$1013.8	5 S/M
Sumrall, Dawn D.	Jail	Promotion	06/01/02	20/1	\$1013.8	5 S/M
Thomas, Kenneth M.	Jail	Promotion	06/01/02	22/2	\$1147.28	3 S/M
Byrd, Karen G.	Juv Detention (043)	Salary Increase	05/17/02	N/A	\$ 714.58	S/M
Gayoso, Kenneth B.	Juv Detention (043)	New Hire	05/24/02	Standby	\$ 5.50) /HR
Johnson, Amanda R.	Juv Detention (043)	New Hire	05/17/02	Standby	\$ 5.50) /HR
Miller, Brittny	Vehicle Registration	New Hire	06/03/02	P/T	\$ 5.15	/HR

^{*}Salary includes car allowance (\$246.37 s/m)

The following personnel actions are presented for *Acknowledgement* and as a matter of record:

<u>ALAKY</u>	
6.15	/HR
717.58	S/M
832.10	S/M
717.58	S/M
751.42	S/M
1149.63	S/M
693.58	S/M
1327.33	S/M
1036.92	S/M
	717.58 832.10 717.58 751.42 1149.63 693.58 1327.33

- D. Accepted County Treasurer Certificate of Continuing Education as a matter of record.
- **E.** Approved request from Concho Rural Water Corporation to install a 6 inch water line at Mont Park Drive, beginning approximately 150 feet west of Magnolia Lane and run 670 feet east to a point on the north side of the ROW. A road bore to be made approximately 30 feet from the west side of Magnolia Lane to the east side of the road, in Precinct #3.
- **F.** Approved request from Concho Rural Water Corporation to install a 6 inch water line at Grape Creek Road in Precinct #3. The line will begin at the intersection of Evergreen Lane and Mourning Dove and continue 2059 feet north to the west side of the ROW. A road bore will be made approximately 50 feet in length from the west side of Grape Creek Road, west to the north side of the road.
- **G.** Acknowledged April, 2002 Solid Waste Collection Report as a matter of record. The for solid waste collections loss for 2001 was \$19, 940.58 and the year to date loss for 2002 is \$8,736.67. (Recorded with these minutes)

All voted in favor.

8. No action was taken from the Executive Session.

- **13.** The possible change in the Nurses position from a LVN position to an RN position or possibly a Nurse Practitioner, was tabled until ready to be presented.
- 9. Judge Brown reported that the Justice Center is proceeding on schedule as presented. The carpet is being installed. Flat monitors have been requested for the Courtrooms to accommodate the space provided. The finalized date of construction for the Justice Center for Phase II (the second part of the Jail) will be July 5th, 2002 and the finalized date of construction for Phase III (the Courtrooms and offices for Justice of the Peace Precinct 1, County Judge, County Court at Law and County Court at Law 2; County Attorney and County Collections), will be July 12th, 2002. This should include all walk through and finish up work. Anne Bramble reported that the City Works Department had been contacted in regard to the installation of a "crosswalk light".
- 10. Commissioner Weeks moved to approve 3 D Plumbing's bid to renovate and install a two compartment, 20,000 gallon grease trap and solids interceptor at the Roy K. Robb Post Adjudication Facility at a cost of \$20,363.84 to be taken from the Building Improvement fund. Judge Brown seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- 11. Tabled the consideration for agreement with Larry Skiles for financial services pending revue of the agreement.
- 12. Ron Michulka, Democratic Party Chairman presented a Resolution to the Court that was passed at Precinct 225 Caucus and was voted, by the County Democratic Convention, to be presented to the Commissioners Court. Mr. Michulka also requested that the Klattenhoff polling place be consolidated with the Harriett polling due to lack of restroom facilities, no heat, and at times no electricity at the Klattenhoff location. He also expressed concerns about the consolidation of box 114 and box 137 and requested that these be split and voting at the Southside Recreational facility re-established. The Court did not adopt the Resolution.

Molly Taylor, Elections Administrator, recommended the combination of box 108 (Harriett) and box 131 (Klattenhoff) due to the lack of essential facilities at the present location and no other available location in the Klattenhoff Community. Ms. Taylor also expressed that she had no objection to splitting boxes 114 and 137, provided pre-clearance is obtained from the Justice Department.

Commissioner Friend stated that he was unaware of the loss of essential facilities of the Klattenhoff location or he would have provided some temporary facilities, had he known.

J.B. Hall, Constable for Precinct 1, addressed the Court, but his issue was not one that was on the agenda to be discussed at this time.

Judge Brown moved to order the separation of previously consolidated polling locations of Election Precinct 114, the Southside Recreation Center and 137 the Senior Citizens Center -Crossroads. Commissioner Friend seconded the motion and Judge Brown and Commissioners Friend, Bookter, and Weeks voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Easingwood opposed the motion. The motion passed 4 to 1.

Judge Brown moved to combine Polling places for Election Precincts 108, Harriett Baptist Church and Election Precinct 131, the Klattenhoff Community Center because of the hardship that was created on the Klattenhoff Judges holding the elections due to the lack of restroom facilities and no heat or electricity. Commissioner Friend seconded the motion and all voted in favor. (Recorded with these minutes)

- 14. Tabled the request for funding for Air Service Grant until someone is present to present it.
- 15. Judge Brown moved to adopt the Resolution regarding Sales Tax on Fuel for County Road Maintenance Funding. Commissioner Easingwood seconded the motion and all voted in favor. (Recorded with these minutes)
- 16. There were no issues discussed relating to the Tom Green County Subdivision and Manufactured Home Rental Community Development Regulations.
- 17. Judge Brown moved to approve the following line item transfer:

Fund: 001 General Fund

Department	Account	Budget Budget Increase Decrease
Courthouse Building West Branch Library	0530 Building Repa 0530 Building Repa	

Reason: Replace Roof Top HVAC Package Unit

Commissioner Friend seconded the motion . Judge Brown, Commissioners Friend, Bookter and Weeks voted in favor. Commissioner Easingwood voted in opposition of the motion. The motion passed 4 to 1.

Future Agenda Items:

1. Consider awarding bids for the Christoval water project for FWD #2.

Announcement:

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- 1. June 5th, 2002 @ 9:00 A.M. will begin the first of the Budget Meetings.
- 2. Next Commissioners' Court Meeting will be June 11th, 2002.
- 3. Bids were opened today for the Fresh Water District #2 water project at Christoval.
- 4. Steve Dennis was introduced to the Court as the Engineer for the Christoval water project.
- 5. The annual County Surplus Auction will be held Saturday, June 15th, 2002.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM	
Michael D. Brown, County Judge	Elizabeth McGill, County Clerk and Ex-officio Clerk

APRIL 2002 TGC SOLID WASTE REPORT 5/22/02

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APR 13	0	1/\$20	0		0	\$20	1								
APR 20	1/\$10	0	0		0	\$10	1								
APR 27	1/20	0	0		0	\$20	1								
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APR 20	0	0	2/\$105	0		0		0	\$10:	5					
APR 27	1/10	1/15	0	0		1/20		1/15	\$60		4				
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APR 20	3/30	0	1/10	2/20	2/20		1/60	1/20		1/20	180	14			
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			DATE	FY01
EXPENSES	-\$4,486.00	-\$1,965.66	-\$19,519.67-	-\$30,980.58
REVENUE	1,687.00	\$1,075.00	\$10,783.00	\$11,040.00
LOSS TO DATE	(\$2,799.00)	\$890.66	\$8,736.67	\$19,940.58

Tom Green County



ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION

VOTER REGISTRATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TOM GREEN

The Commissioners Court of Tom Green County, Texas, sitting in open session this 28th day of May, 2002, does hereby order the separation of previously consolidated polling locations for election precincts 114 (Southside Recreation Center) and 137 (Senior Citizens Center – Crossroads on Chadbourne Street). These two polling places will remain as separate polling places unless there otherwise changed by the Commissioner's Court. The reason for the change is potential hardship on senior and disabled voters. These two polling locations have always been separated previous to their consolidation for the 2001 Constitutional Amendment Election and the March and April primary elections of 2002. The consolidation was pre-cleared by the justice department and this separation of the two polling places will also need to be pre-cleared.

Signed this 28th day of May, 2002.

Val Katt

County Commissioner, Precinct 2

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County Commissioner, Precinct 1

County Commissioner, Precinct 3

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The Commissioners Court of Tom Green County, Texas, sitting in open session this 28th day of May, 2002, does hereby order the consolidation of election polling places for election precincts 108 (Harriett Baptist Church and 131 (Klattenhoff Community Center). These two precincts will have Harriett Baptist Church as their polling place. The reason for the change is the hardship created by Klattenhoff Community Center on judges and workers with no bathroom facilities and no electricity at times. It is also not in a convenient location for most of the voters in these two precincts. Most voters have to drive a long distance to vote at

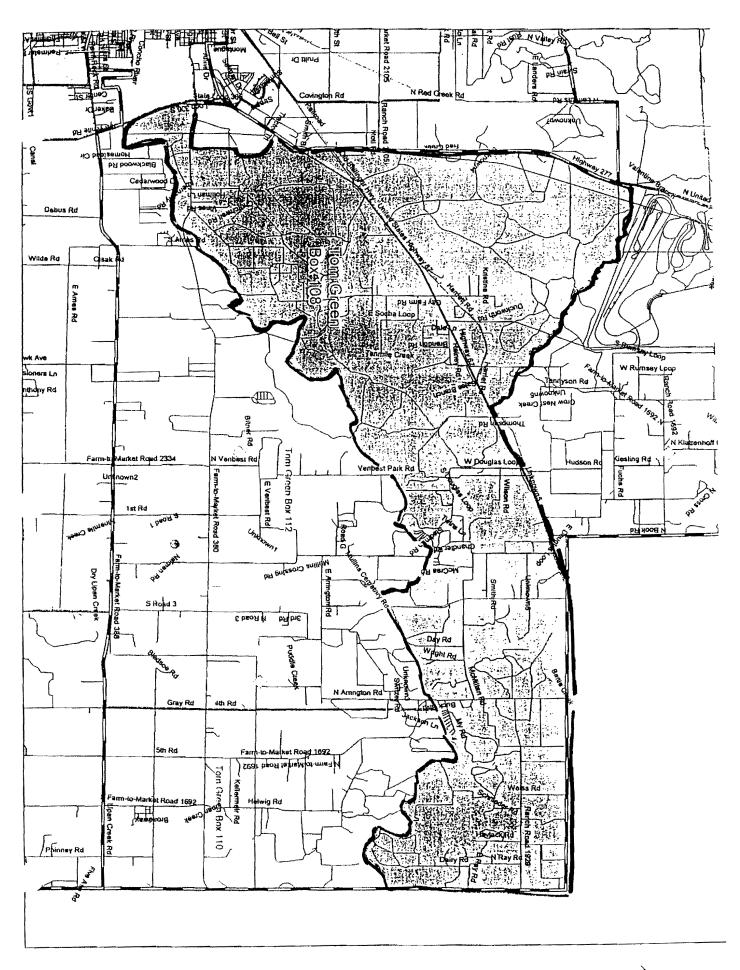
This consolidation will need to be pre-cleared by the justice department and public notice will be published in the newspaper. All heads of households will receive a letter in these precincts concerning the change. This consolidation will be effective immediately.

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Zounty Commissioner, Precinct 3

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Democratic Primary Precinct Caucus, Precinct 225

WHEREAS, the right to vote in free elections is one of the most vital elements in a democracy, and $\,$

WHEREAS, everything within reason should be done by the local governments to make this right a reality by making the act of voting convenient and familiar, and

WHEREAS, in Tom Green County precincts have been consolidated and the consolidation has affected historically Democratic precincts to a disproportionate degree.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all precincts consolidated for the March 12th primary should be returned to their original locations and that this be accomplished before the general election in November, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the leaders of government in Tom Green County receive this message loudly and clearly: Do not use the argument that you are trying to save money. There is nothing more important than a genuinely free election.

Submitted to the precinct caucus by Linda Shoemaker.

Adopted on 3/12/02 by the participants in Precinct 225's caucus.

Before I begin, I would like to say that my remarks are not in reference to redistricting, but combining precincts in the elections. Even though there have been a lot of comments made about the redistricting plan, I know that there has to be lines drawn in the sand somewhere. However, I can understand some of the community's frustration, when they can stand outside on their porch and see the old voting place down the road, but they now have to drive 16 miles to vote.

However, like I said I am not making my remarks at redistricting. During the last election we had some problems with a couple of voting boxes and I would like to request from the Commissioner's Court to look into possibly making some changes. The Klattenhoff voting place has no restrooms, heat nor air conditioning. It has been difficult to get people to work under these circumstances. I would like to ask the commissioners court and the voter election administration office to combine this with the Harriett voting box. My next concern is with precinct 114 and 137. Between these two voting boxes the combined total has the 10th largest number of registered voters. However, it contains a section of San Angelo called the Barrio area. Most of these voters are not as affluent as the other areas that have more voters. Also, there is a considerable amount of elderly voters in both precincts. Most of these voters in the Barrio area have been used to walking to the Southside Recreation Center and now they are having to drive to the old Santa Fe Depot. I would like to ask the Commissioners Court to separate these two voting boxes back to their original status. As I said I know there are other areas that have been greatly affected by these combining of precincts, but 114 and 137 voting boxes have been the most vocal about the inconvenience for them. We at this time have been pre-cleared by the justice department for 39 voting boxes. By spliting up 114 and 137 will bring us up to 40 but by combining Klettenhoff with Harriett will bring us back to 39. I also feel that we need to look at other precincts and hear complaints from them and see if we can resolved some of the issues in regards to the combining of voting boxes and not in regards to redistricting. These are two separate issues completely. That is also why I was so amazed that the redistricting committee had the duty to do the combining of precincts. I was asked to be on the redistricting committee, but due to at that time having a full time job, I felt that I could not be able to attend the meetings. However, I did not know that

the redistricting committee was going to work on combining precincts. As being the Tom Green Democratic Chairman I was never asked nor told of a meeting that would include the combining of voting boxes for elections. I feel that possibly that part of the voting process was left out on the decision making. I feel that possibly then combining of precinct should have included both political parties and been a separate committee from the redistricting committee. However, now that it has been done we still all need to work together for the betterment of the voters that elect us and our governments, not only locally, but State wide and National. The voters have the right to be able to vote and we should make it as convenient as possible for them. We need to maybe change some voting locations or even go as far as spliting up some voting boxes again. I realize that it is hard to get workers for these elections, but we need to do everything we can to be able to allow person to vote. In closing as I said we possibly need to look at other voting boxes, but I would like for the Commissioners to review the two suggestions I have made at this time. Thank you for time and consideration.

R.E.Michulka

Tom Green Democratic County Chairman

STATE OF TEXAS:

TOM GREEN COUNTY:

RESOLUTION SALES TAX ON FUEL FOR COUNTY ROAD MAINTENANCE FUNDING

- WHEREAS, County roads are the beginning of the State and National highway system and as such are an integral and inseparable part of the National transportation system; and
- WHEREAS, The Tom Green County Commissioners Court is responsible for the upgrade and maintenance of <u>665</u> miles of county roads and most of these roads are sub-standard in comparison to state maintained roads; and
- WHEREAS, Increased growth and traffic places more demand on these roads and the substandard condition has a negative impact on public safety, economic development, and the general quality of life in Tom Green County; and
- WHEREAS, The only means available for Counties to raise additional funds for maintenance and improvement of county roads is through ad valorem taxation, which is already a burden for County taxpayers; and
- WHEREAS, Counties have other operational needs that must be funded with ad valorem taxes aside from county roads; and
- WHEREAS, The State of Texas levies motor fuel taxes that generated +-2.7 billion dollars in the fiscal year Sept. 1, 2000 to Aug. 31, 2001, and these funds when allocated by statute resulted in funding to:

The Texas Department of Transportation ----- +- \$2,021,800,000.00

The Available School Fund -----+ 676,400,000.00

The Comptrollers Office -----+ 50,000,000.00

The County and Road District Fund -----+ 7,300,000.00, and the

\$7,300,000.00 allocated to counties has remained the same since at least 1972; and

WHEREAS, Texas counties maintain +-142,368 miles of roads compared to the Texas Department of Transportation maintenance of +- 79,297 miles of roads; now

THEREFORE, let it be resolved, The Tom Green County Commissioners Court request the 78th Legislature to increase Motor Fuel Tax Rates by 40%, aggregate the funds generated by all fuel tax, and allocate 63% of Texas Department of Transportation, 25% to the Available School Fund, 10% to Texas Counties, and 2% to the Comptroller's Office.

Passed and Adopted this 28th day of May, 2002 upon a motion by Commissioner Precinct 4

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COMMISSIONERS' COURT TOM GREEN COUNTY



Line-Item Transfers

Michael D. Brown County Judge

May 23, 2002

Fund: General Fund

Department

Account

Budget <u>Increase</u>

Budget <u>Decrease</u>

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Courthouse Building

0530 **Building Repair**

5,000.00

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West Branch Library

Building Repair 0530

5,000.00

Reason

Replace Roof Top HVAC Package Unit

Department Head

Date Approved by Commissioners' Court

County Judge