## Tom Green County Commissioners' Court August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006

The Commissioners' Court of Tom Green County, Texas, met for an Open Meeting on Tom Green County Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2007 on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006 in the Edd B. Keyes Building, with the following members present:

Ralph Hoelscher, Commissioner of Precinct #1 Karl Bookter, Commissioner of Precinct #2 Steve Floyd, Commissioner of Precinct #3 Richard Easingwood, Commissioner of Precinct #4 Michael D. Brown, County Judge

1. County Judge, Michael Brown, called the meeting to order at 8:06 A.M.

Commissioner Easingwood moved to authorize a purchase order to purchase a Mac Haul Truck through the HGAC (Houston Galveston Area Council) and a RANCO Dump Trailer through the Buy Board for Road & Bridge Precinct 2 &4. Commissioner Bookter seconded the motion. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Easingwood withdrew his motion, but Commissioner Bookter did not remove his second.

Commissioner Bookter moved to authorize purchase orders for the purchase of a 2007 Mac Haul Truck through the HGAC (Houston Galveston Area Council) in the amount of \$108,433.00 and for a RANCO Dump Trailer through the Buy Board in the amount of \$35,498.25 with funding coming from the General Fund's Capital Improvements as budgeted. Commissioner Easingwood seconded the motion.

Commissioners Bookter and Easingwood voted in favor of the motion. Commissioner Floyd voted in opposition of the motion. Judge Brown and Commissioner Hoelscher Abstained.

The motion passed 2-1

Judge Brown opened the Public Hearing for Public Comment on the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2007 for Tom Green County at 8:33 AM. The following people addressed the Court:

Lonnie Vines: Requested that the Appraisal rate be lowered to 80%.

Celia Flores: With increases in tuition, fuel and energy, she requested they lower the taxes.

Anita Dunlap: In order to provide the needed services that the County provides, taxes need to be raised to help those who need the help.

There was no action by the Court.

Judge Brown announced the following date for the next Public Hearings and for Public input regarding the Proposed Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2007 for Tom Green **County:** 

Tuesday, August 22, 2006 at 9:30 AM **Budget Agenda Items will be discussed:** September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2006

Judge Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:42 AM.

As per HB 2931, Section 4:

I, Elizabeth McGill, County Clerk of Tom Green County, Texas do hereby attest that this is an accurate accounting of the proceedings of the Commissioners' Court that met for an Open Meeting to get Public input on the Proposed Tom Green County Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2007 on August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

I hereby set my hand and seal to this record August 11th, 2006

Elizabeth McGill, County Clerk and

Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners' Court