

Special Session, March 29, 2010

BE IT REMEMBERED that on **March 29, 2010**, there was begun and holden a Special Session of the Commissioners Court of Jefferson County, Texas, with the following members and officers present and participating except those absent as indicated:

ABSENT:

Honorable Ronald L. Walker, County Judge -

Commissioner Eddie Arnold, Commissioner Pct. No. 1

Commissioner Mark L. Domingue, Commissioner Pct. No. 2

Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal, Commissioner Pct. No. 3

Commissioner Everette D. Alfred, Commissioner Pct. No. 4

Honorable G. Mitch Woods, Sheriff

Honorable Carolyn L. Guidry, County Clerk -

-the following proceedings were had and orders made, to-wit:



**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA AND MINUTES
OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS
March 29, 2010**

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, will meet at **1:30 p.m.**, on the **29th day of March 2010** at its regular meeting place in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas.

Said meeting will be a Special Meeting for the purpose of transacting the routine business of the County. Persons with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids for services who wish to attend this meeting should contact the County Judge's Office to arrange for assistance.

In addition to the routine business of the County, the subject of said meeting will be the following:

WORKSHOP-10:30 a.m. – To hear presentation from representatives of Blackboard Connect regarding emergency public notification systems.

WORKSHOP-11:00 a.m. – Presentation by the LaBiche Architectural Group regarding Water Infiltration Renovations to the Visitor Center.

INVOCATION: Mark L. Domingue, Commissioner, Precinct No. 2

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Michael S. Sinegal, Commissioner, Precinct No. 3

PURCHASING:

1. Receive and file bids for IFB 10-020/KJS, Southeast Texas Regional Airport Lead Abatement for Hanger #2. Term Contract for Law Enforcement Equipment and Uniforms for Jefferson County. **SEE ATTACHED PAGES : 10 - 102**

Motion by: Commissioner Sinegal

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: APPROVED

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2. Approve extension of bid opening date for IFB 10-023/KJS, Bridge Replacement on Boondocks Road at North Fork of Taylor's Bayou from 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 13, 2010, to 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 4, 2010.

Motion by: Commissioner Sinegal

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: APPROVED

3. Approve extension of bid opening date for IFB 10-024/KJS, Bridge Replacement on Humble Camp Road at Hillebrandt Bayou from 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 13, 2010, to 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 4, 2010.

Motion by: Commissioner Sinegal

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: APPROVED

4. Consider and possibly approve disposition of salvage property as authorized by Local Government Code §263.151 (1), for broken or obsolete items.

Motion by: Commissioner Sinegal

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: APPROVED

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

5. Consider and possibly encourage all citizens of Jefferson County to participate and be counted in the 2010 Census which is ongoing because this is vital to our county.

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: APPROVED

6. Consider and possibly approve a Proclamation declaring March 30, 2010 as Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day. **SEE ATTACHED PAGE: 103**

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: APPROVED

7. Consider and possibly approve a Resolution recognizing the retirement of Miriam K. Johnson for her dedicated years of service in the Jefferson County Tax Office.

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Motion by: Commissioner Alfred

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: APPROVED

8. Consider and possibly approve Jefferson County Tourism Committee Hotel Occupancy Tax allocation recommendations.

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: APPROVED

9. Authorize the County Judge to execute an amendment to Contract No. 726299 between Jefferson County and Texas Department of Rural Affairs extending the contract through February 1, 2010.

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: APPROVED

10. Execute, Receive and file amendment to Texas Department of Rural Affairs contract No.726299. **SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 105 - 110**

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: APPROVED

11. Consider and possibly approve out of state travel for Commissioner Michael Shane Sinegal to attend National Organization of Black County Officials (NOBCO) 26th Annual Economic Development Conference to be held on May 13-16, 2010, in New Orleans, LA. NOBCO is an affiliate organization of National Association of Counties. (NACO). Cost of the conference and travel will be paid by the Commissioner's budgeted funds.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue
Second by: Commissioner Arnold
Action: Failed – No vote cast by Sinegal, Alfred & Arnold

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to allow Commissioner Sinegal and Alfred only to attend conference.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: Failed

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to stick to County Policy on out of state travel. All 4 questions answered by all 5 black elected official and motioned still failed after County criteria met.

12. Consider and possibly approve out of state travel for Judge Ransom “Duce” Jones to attend National Organization of Black County Officials (NOBCO) 26th Annual Economic Development Conference to be held on May 13-16, 2010, in New Orleans, LA. NOBCO is an affiliate organization of National Association of Counties. (NACO). Cost of the conference and travel will be paid by the JP’s budgeted funds.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: Failed – No vote cast by Sinegal, Alfred & Arnold

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to allow Commissioner Sinegal and Alfred only to attend conference.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: Failed

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to stick to County Policy on out of state travel. All 4 questions answered by all 5 black elected official and motioned still failed after County criteria met.

13. Consider and possibly approve out of state travel for Constable Joe “QB” Stevenson to attend the 26th Economic Development Conference hosted by the National Organization of Black County Officials (NOBCO), on May 13-16, 2010, in New Orleans, LA. NOBCO is an affiliate organization of National Association of Counties. (NACO). Cost of the conference and travel will be paid, if approved, by the Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (LEOSE) fund.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: Failed – No vote cast by Sinegal, Alfred & Arnold

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to allow Commissioner Sinegal and Alfred only to attend conference.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: Failed

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to stick to County Policy on out of state travel. All 4 questions answered by all 5 black elected official and motioned still failed after County criteria met.

14. Hear Presentation by Hubert Oxford III relating to the Southeast Texas Regional Airport.

Action: None

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15. Consider and possibly approve, out of state travel for Carolyn Guidry to attend the 26th Economic Development Conference hosted by the National Organization of Black County Officials (NOBCO), commencing May 13th thru May 16th 2010 in New Orleans, Louisiana. NOBCO is an affiliate organization of National Association of Counties. (NACO). Cost of this educational conference will be paid by the County Clerk's budgeted funds.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: Failed – No vote cast by Sinegal, Alfred & Arnold

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to allow Commissioner Sinegal and Alfred only to attend conference.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: Failed

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to stick to County Policy on out of state travel. All 4 questions answered by all 5 black elected official and motioned still failed after County criteria met.

16. Consider and possibly approve out of state travel for Commissioner Everette "Bo" Alfred, to attend the National Organization of Black County Officials (NOBCO) 26th Annual Economic Development Conference to be held on May 13-16, 2010, in New Orleans, LA. NOBCO is an affiliate organization of National Association of Counties. Jefferson County is a member of NACO, and is in good standing.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue

Second by: Commissioner Arnold

Action: Failed – No vote cast by Sinegal, Alfred & Arnold

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to allow Commissioner Sinegal and Alfred only to attend conference.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Sinegal

Action: Failed

Note: On items 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16, Motion to stick to County Policy on out of state travel. All 4 questions answered by all 5 black elected official and motioned still failed after County criteria met.

COUNTY AUDITOR:

17. Consider and approve budget transfer – Road & Bridge Precinct 4 – additional cost.

114-0405-431-4018	Maintenance – Road Machinery	\$ 38,600	
114-0402-431-3079	Crushed Stone		\$ 38,600

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

18. Receive and file the Jefferson County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 111 - 313

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

19. Receive and file the Management Letter from Gayle W. Botley & Associates for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 314 - 316

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

20. Receive and file Single Audit for Jefferson County, Texas for fiscal year ended September 30, 2009. **SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 317 - 330**

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

21. Receive and file SMG Operations – Ford Park Audited Financial Statements for the period ending September 30, 2009.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 331 - 338

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

22. Receive and file the Management Letter from Gayle W. Botley & Associates for SMG Operations – Ford Park for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2009.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 339 - 340

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

23. Receive and file order authorizing defeasance of the Jefferson County General Obligation Refunding Bonds Series 2003A.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 341 - 356

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

24. Regular County Bills – check #337144 through check #337432.

SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 357 - 368

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT:

25. Consider and possibly approve the promotion of Kevin Sexton to Director of Mosquito Control.

Motion by: Commissioner Domingue

Second by: Commissioner Alfred

Action: APPROVED

26. Consider and possibly approve appointing a selection committee for the County Engineer position.

Motion by: Commissioner Arnold

Second by: Commissioner Domingue

Action: APPROVED

Note: Commissioner Shane Sinegal will serve on the committee and the other Commissioners and County Judge will appoint a designee. Also appointed to the committee are Patrick Swain, Don Rao, Carey Erickson and an available Civil Engineer from Lamar University.

*****DISCUSSION ON ANY OTHER ITEM NOT ON AGENDA WITHOUT TAKING ACTION.**

Ronald L. Walker
County Judge



**ADDENDUM TO
NOTICE OF MEETING
OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, TEXAS**

Notice having been heretofore posted of a **Special Meeting** to Commissioners' Court of Jefferson County, Texas, on the **29th** day of **March 2010** in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Jefferson County Courthouse, 1149 Pearl Street, Beaumont, Texas, notice is hereby given of the following additional subject to be considered:

COMMISSIONERS COURT:

27. Consider and possibly approve Certificate of Completion for Commissioner Mark L. Domingue. Commissioner Domingue has successfully completed the continuing education provisions of Article 81.0025 for the Texas Local Government Code 2009. Total hours earned in 2009- 22.00 a total of 6.00 hours will be carried over into the next reporting period.
SEE ATTACHED PAGE: 369

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: APPROVED

28. Receive and file executed contract between Jefferson County and Texas Department of State Health Services for diabetes prevention grant funding.
SEE ATTACHED PAGES: 370 - 425

Motion by: Commissioner Alfred
Second by: Commissioner Sinegal
Action: APPROVED

Ronald L. Walker
County Judge

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**There being no further business to come before the Court at this time,
same is now here adjourned on this date, March 29, 2010.**