

Monday, March 27, 2000, the Sabine County Commissioners' Court met in regular session. The following members were present:

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Jack Leath      | County Judge         |
| Keith Clark     | Commissioner Pct. #1 |
| Lynn Smith      | Commissioner Pct. #2 |
| Doyle Dickerson | Commissioner Pct. #3 |
| Gene Nethery    | Commissioner Pct. #4 |
| Janice McDaniel | County Clerk         |

Judge Leath called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and Bro. Clarence Howell led the Court in prayer.

Agenda item #3-Take Action on the Request for Statement of Qualifications for Grant Management Services & Engineering Service

David Waxman met with the Court to discuss where Beechwood Water Supply Corporation is in their grant process. They have gotten the grant and the contract should be here sometime around the end of this week.

The decision was made to form a committee of the Beechwood Water Supply Board of Directors and two Commissioners. Commissioner's Smith and Nethery are the two members selected to serve on the Committee.

A special called meeting is scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

Agenda item #1-General Business

Commissioner Clark moved to approve the minutes as written for the March 13<sup>th</sup> regular session and the March 23<sup>rd</sup> special session of Court. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #4-Discuss Suncrest Subdivision Plats

The Subdivision developer deleted this item.

Agenda item #6-Accept Pleasant Hill Cemetery Road as a County Road

Commissioner Smith said this is a road that he has been working on with the Forest Service. This road is about ½ mile in length and goes between two pipelines to Pleasant Hill Cemetery. The agreement is for the County to construct the road, the people that have ancestors buried in the Cemetery are paying for the culverts and the Forest Service is paying for the gravel. The gravel pit donated the field dirt. The only thing left is for approval by the Court.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve this approximate ½ mile road into Pleasant Hill Cemetery as a public road with County maintenance. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. See attached copy.

**Agenda item #7-Accept Roads in Oak Ridge as Public Roads for County Maintenance**

A representative from Oak Ridge met with the Court with petitions from people that live in the subdivision. The petition is requesting that the County declare the road a public road and accept the roads for County maintenance. There are 30 lots in the subdivision. He said he has 23 lot owners that are in favor, 3 did not reply and 4 were opposed.

Commissioner Smith said he has determined that the width of the road is okay and the condition of the road is satisfactory at the moment. He said if the lot owners are willing to immediately upgrade the roads, they will have to pay for the rock for the first improvement.

The representative said this could be done.

Commissioner Smith said that since the 4 that opposed are not present in Court today, he moved to table this item to our next regular session of Court. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried. Commissioner Smith is to contact the ones opposed.

**Agenda item #8-Discuss and Take Action on TXDOT Material**

No action on this item.

**Agenda item #9-Take action on Tourism Recommendations**

Judge Leath said he sent 2 proposals to the Tourism Commission for their recommendation. They are as follows:

1. Frank Dutton/Toledo Bend. COM-To set up a County site that would have minimal information on it but from it he would download to his site which has a lot of information about Sabine County. The cost for this is \$365.00 annually. The unanimously vote of the Commission and their recommendation is to decline.

Commissioner Smith moved to accept the recommendation of the Commission. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

2. Sabine County Chamber of Commerce-Request for \$5,350.00 to fund a County Fair for Sabine County.

The unanimously vote of the Commission and their recommendation is to decline.

Commissioner Nethery moved to approve this request contingent upon the approval by the County Attorney that it is a proper expenditure and to be paid for through the hotel/motel tax fund. Commissioner Dickerson seconded.

Commissioners Nethery and Dickerson voted for, Commissioners Clark and Smith voted against. Judge Leath broke the tie by voting for.

This is to be paid by invoice.

Back under Agenda item #1-General Business

Judge Leath gave the Court an update on the Deep East Texas Tourism Commission. The Historical Commission is seeking applications for a program called "The Texas Travel Trails." They have asked that we appoint a representative from our County to work with this program He said he has asked Ellen Meleton to serve. This is for information only.

Judge Leath said a request was sent to appoint a person for a board member for the Workforce Commission in the private sector, minority category. The Chamber of Commerce has to make the appointment. He said he discussed it with Lee Dutton and they are recommending James Hoyle to the Chamber. Mr. Hoyle has agreed to serve.

Judge Leath said he received a resolution from TCNB this morning. It states that Sabine County must adopt a resolution and submit such a resolution to the Texas Water Development Board by Friday, March 31, 2000. He said we have a sample resolution that meets the requirements and we will have to suspend the agenda to vote on this. Judge Leath read the resolution.

Commissioner Nethery moved to suspend the agenda to vote on this request.

Court recessed at 9:47 a.m.

Court reconvened at 10:03 a.m.

Back to agenda item #1-General Business

Commissioner Dickerson seconded the motion made by Commissioner Nethery. All voted for.

Commissioner Nethery moved that we draft the resolution that is asked for by Turner, Collie and Braden to be sent to the Texas Water Development Board in support of the regional water supply system. Commissioner Smith seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #2-Reports

Commissioner Smith moved to accept these reports. Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Agenda item #10-Pay Accounts and Salaries

Commissioner Nethery moved to pay the accounts and salaries.

Commissioner Clark seconded. All voted for. Motion carried.

Commissioner Nethery moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dickerson seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Jack Heath COUNTY JUDGE

Keith Clark COMMISSIONER PCT. #1

Lynn Smith COMMISSIONER PCT. #2

Wayle Dickerson COMMISSIONER PCT. #3

R. H. H. H. COMMISSIONER PCT. #4

ATTEST:

Janice McDaniel COUNTY CLERK

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(ANDA ) ANITA DAVIS

|              |          |  |                            |    |          |
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| 1611         | 03-22-00 |  | 79 HOURS @ \$5.50 PER HOUR | A  |          |
|              |          |  | 6520.403                   | -2 | 434.50   |
| Vendor Total |          |  |                            |    | \$434.50 |

(ANGL ) ANGLER'S PRINTING & PUBLISHING

|              |          |       |                    |     |         |
|--------------|----------|-------|--------------------|-----|---------|
| 1606         | 03-07-00 | 9-1-1 | 500 BUSINESS CARDS | A   |         |
|              |          |       | 6310.669           | -17 | 24.50   |
| 1607         | 03-07-00 | 9-1-1 | TYPESETTING        | A   |         |
|              |          |       | 6310.669           | -17 | 2.00    |
| Vendor Total |          |       |                    |     | \$26.50 |

(ANHO ) ANDERSON - HORN'S

|              |          |          |                            |     |          |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------------------------|-----|----------|
| 1619         | 02-19-00 | 6861 645 | THERMOSTAT (WHITE RODGERS) | A   |          |
|              |          |          | 6450.56                    | -34 | 72.60    |
| 1620         | 02-19-00 | 6861 645 | TECHNICAL SERVICE TIME     | A   |          |
|              |          |          | 6450.56                    | 34  | 84.00    |
| Vendor Total |          |          |                            |     | \$156.60 |

(AREL ) ARTHUR ELLISON

|              |          |         |                            |    |          |
|--------------|----------|---------|----------------------------|----|----------|
| 1579         | 03-21-00 | 4/4-4/8 | 200 MILES @ .28 MILE       | A  |          |
|              |          |         | 6470.405                   | -3 | 56.00    |
| 1580         | 03-21-00 | 4/4-4/8 | 4 DAYS PER DIEM @ \$25 DAY | A  |          |
|              |          |         | 6470.405                   | -3 | 100.00   |
| 1581         | 03-21-00 | 4/4-4/8 | 4 DAYS RV PARK @ \$20 DAY  | A  |          |
|              |          |         | 6470.405                   | -3 | 80.00    |
| Vendor Total |          |         |                            |    | \$236.00 |

(BROK ) BROOKSHIRE BROTHERS, INC.

|              |          |        |                       |     |         |
|--------------|----------|--------|-----------------------|-----|---------|
| 1632         | 02-17-00 | 954749 | DAWN DISH LIQUID      | A   |         |
|              |          |        | 6313.56               | -36 | 5.98    |
| 1633         | 02-17-00 | 954749 | ANTACID AND GELTABS   | A   |         |
|              |          |        | 6543.56               | -36 | 19.76   |
| 1634         | 02-03-00 | 929798 | POLIDENT AND FIXODENT | A   |         |
|              |          |        | 6543.56               | 50  | 14.16   |
| 1635         | 01-30-00 | 929783 | DAYQUIL               | A   |         |
|              |          |        | 6543.56               | 54  | 3.49    |
| Vendor Total |          |        |                       |     | \$43.39 |

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| (CAGO ) | CAROLYN GOLDEN, SHELBY COUNTY (409)598-3535 |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1584    | 03-22-00                                    | FEB. 00             | SALARY SUPPLEMENT       | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6537.409                | 2     | 200.00    |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$200.00  |
| (CCLI ) | CAPITAL CITY LEASING, INC.                  |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1596    | 03-22-00                                    | M511AD              | PAYMENT #52 OF 60       | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6502.45                 | -2    | 661.83    |
| 1597    | 03-22-00                                    | M511AD              | PAYMENT #52 OF 60       | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6502.455                | -2    | 397.10    |
| 1598    | 03-22-00                                    | M511AD              | PAYMENT #52 OF 60       | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6502.457                | -2    | 397.10    |
| 1616    | 03-22-00                                    | M511AD              | PAYMENT #52 OF 60       | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6502.56                 | -2    | 1191.30   |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$2647.33 |
| (CELL ) | CELL PAGE, INC. (800)256-2170               |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1583    | 03-15-00                                    | 10112169 ACT. 16092 | PAGER RENTALS           | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6614.409                | -9    | 55.60     |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$55.60   |
| (DOBU ) | DONNA MARIE BUFFALOW                        |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1605    | 03-15-00                                    | 3/9-14              | 10 1/2 HOURS @ \$7 HOUR | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6107.499                | -9    | 73.50     |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$73.50   |
| (DOGE ) | DOLLAR GENERAL                              |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1631    | 03-21-00                                    | 159443              | 5 SHAVERS               | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6543.56                 | -3    | 5.00      |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$5.00    |
| (DUCK ) | DUCKWALL-ALCO STORES, INC.                  |                     |                         |       |           |
| 1617    | 03-09-00                                    | 989774              | 3 PACKAGES STICKERS     | A     |           |
|         |   |                     | 6314.56                 | -15   | 5.97      |
|         |   |                     | Vendor Total            |       | \$5.97    |

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SABINE COUNTY GENERAL FUND  
Accounts Payable Ledger  
03-24-00

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| <b>(HART ) HART INFORMATION SERVICES</b>                        |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1587  | 03-17-00     | 821794    | 100 CIVIL DOCKET LEAVES    | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6310.45                    | 7        | 85.00    |
| 1588  | 03-17-00     | 821794    | SHIPPING AND HANDLING      | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6310.45                    | -7       | 3.28     |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$88.28  |
| <br><b>(JACO ) JEFF COX</b>                                     |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1600  | 03-22-00     | MARCH 00  | 210 MILES @ .28 MILE       | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6441.455                   | 2        | 58.80    |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$58.80  |
| <br><b>(JOAM ) JOANNE MCBRIDE</b>                               |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1642  | 03-23-00     |           | 41 MILES @ .28 MILE        | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6614.409                   | -1       | 10.25    |
| 1643  | 03-23-00     |           | 8 1/2 HOURS @ \$8 HOUR     | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6614.409                   | -1       | 68.00    |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$78.25  |
| <br><b>(JUDU ) JULIA ROGERS DUGAT</b>                           |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1612  | 03-22-00     |           | 87 HOURS @ \$5.50 PER HOUR | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6520.403                   | -2       | 478.50   |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$478.50 |
| <br><b>(MARC ) MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL (402)564-7104</b> |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1629  | 03-03-00     | 0156950   | LAUNDRY DETERGENT          | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6313.56                    | -21      | 77.50    |
| 1630  | 03-03-00     | 0156950   | FREIGHT                    | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6313.56                    | -21      | 19.52    |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$97.02  |
| <br><b>(NICO ) NICOLE CORLEY</b>                                |              |           |                            |          |          |
| 1613  | 03-14-00     |           | 7 1/2 HOURS @ \$6 HOUR     | A        |          |
|   |              |           | 6520.403                   | -10      | 45.00    |
| Vendor Total  |              |           |                            |          | \$45.00  |

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| <b>(PITB ) PITNEY BOWES</b>              |          |              |                             |          |                 |
| 1582                                     | 03-14-00 | 3105047      | MAILING EQUIPMENT           | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6612.409                    | 10       | 178.91          |
| Vendor Total                             |          |              |                             |          | <u>\$178.91</u> |
| <br><b>(POST ) POSTMASTER</b>            |          |              |                             |          |                 |
| 1585                                     | 03-22-00 | BOX 1783     | BOX RENTAL FEES             | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6315.409                    | -2       | 14.00           |
| Vendor Total                             |          |              |                             |          | <u>\$14.00</u>  |
| <br><b>(QUCO ) QUILL CORPORATION</b>     |          |              |                             |          |                 |
| 1601                                     | 03-14-00 | 7248218 #647 | 36 ROLLS SCOTCH TAPE        | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.499                    | -10      | 31.32           |
| 1602                                     | 03-14-00 | 7248218 #647 | 20 BOXES STANDARD STAPLES   | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.499                    | -10      | 12.80           |
| 1603                                     | 03-14-00 | 7248218 #647 | 4 PACKAGES ADD MACHINE ROLL | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.499                    | -10      | 21.12           |
| 1604                                     | 03-14-00 | 7248218 #647 | 2 OKIPAGE TONER CARTRIDGES  | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.499                    | -10      | 79.92           |
|  | 03-06-00 | 7113663      | 2 DOZEN FINE POINT MARKERS  | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.56                     | 18       | 15.12           |
| 1622                                     | 03-06-00 | 7113663      | 2 DOZEN HI-LITERS           | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.56                     | -18      | 10.58           |
| 1623                                     | 03-06-00 | 7113663      | PRINTER CARTRIDGE           | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.56                     | -18      | 24.99           |
| Vendor Total                             |          |              |                             |          | <u>\$195.85</u> |
| <br><b>(ROMC ) ROBERT CECIL MCDANIEL</b> |          |              |                             |          |                 |
| 1644                                     | 03-23-00 |              | 1920 POPULATION CENSUS      | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.403                    | -1       | 20.00           |
| Vendor Total                             |          |              |                             |          | <u>\$20.00</u>  |
| <br><b>(ROSU ) ROGERS OFFICE SUPPLY</b>  |          |              |                             |          |                 |
|  |          |              | (409)569-7416               |          |                 |
| 1593                                     | 03-17-00 | 3402         | ONE CARTON GEM CLIPS        | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.45                     | -7       | 1.50            |
| 1594                                     | 03-09-00 | 3305         | TWO RIBBONS                 | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.45                     | -15      | 7.18            |
| 1595                                     | 03-09-00 | 3305         | BOX BASES                   | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.45                     | -15      | 7.00            |
| 1599                                     | 03-09-00 | 3310         | 2 MESSAGE BOOKS             | A        |                 |
|  |          |              | 6310.455                    | -15      | 6.78            |

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| Vendor Total |              |           |             |          | \$22.46 |

(SCOT ) SCOTT - MERRIMAN, INC.

|              |          |        |                          |   |          |
|--------------|----------|--------|--------------------------|---|----------|
| 1577         | 03-09-00 | 009069 | A-2 INDEX ON BUFF LEDGER | A |          |
|              |          |        | 6310.403 -15             |   | 40.00    |
| 1578         | 03-09-00 | 009069 | SHIPPING AND HANDLING    | A |          |
|              |          |        | 6310.403 -15             |   | 8.61     |
| 1591         | 03-07-00 | 008964 | DIVORCE BINDER           | A |          |
|              |          |        | 6310.45 -17              |   | 68.00    |
| 1592         | 03-07-00 | 008964 | SHIPPING AND HANDLING    | A |          |
|              |          |        | 6310.45 -17              |   | 9.52     |
| Vendor Total |          |        |                          |   | \$126.13 |

(SCSD ) SABINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT. (409)787-2266

|              |          |       |                     |   |          |
|--------------|----------|-------|---------------------|---|----------|
| 1636         | 03-23-00 | PETTY | TCLEOSE JAILER TEST | A |          |
|              |          |       | 6470.56 -1          |   | 80.00    |
| 1637         | 03-23-00 | PETTY | POSTAGE             | A |          |
|              |          |       | 6315.56 -1          |   | 35.98    |
| 1638         | 03-23-00 | PETTY | FOOD                | A |          |
|              |          |       | 6425.56 -1          |   | 33.07    |
|              | 03-23-00 | PETTY | GASOLINE            | A |          |
|              |          |       | 6335.56 -1          |   | 27.50    |
| 1640         | 03-23-00 | PETTY | BATTERY             | A |          |
|              |          |       | 6500.56 -1          |   | 2.89     |
| Vendor Total |          |       |                     |   | \$179.44 |

(STHO ) STEVEN M. HOLLIS, ATTORNEY

|              |          |          |                      |   |           |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------------------|---|-----------|
| 1586         | 03-19-00 | NO. 67   | BRANDON M. CONN      | A |           |
|              |          |          | 6531.435 -5          |   | 250.00    |
| 1648         | 03-24-00 | NO. 5872 | RANDY HOGAN          | A |           |
|              |          |          | 6531.435 0           |   | 250.00    |
| 1649         | 03-24-00 | NO. 5869 | LEO SHANE GUY        | A |           |
|              |          |          | 6531.435 0           |   | 250.00    |
| 1650         | 03-24-00 | NO. 56   | JOSHUA R. JEANJAQUET | A |           |
|              |          |          | 6531.435 0           |   | 250.00    |
| Vendor Total |          |          |                      |   | \$1000.00 |

(SUNE ) SUSAN NETHERY

|      |          |  |                            |   |        |
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| 1610 | 03-22-00 |  | 79 HOURS @ \$5.50 PER HOUR | A |        |
|      |          |  | 6520.403 -2                |   | 434.50 |

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| Vendor Total   |              |           |                              |          | \$434.50 |
| <br>(SYSC )            SYSCO FOOD SERVICE - HOUSTON    (713)672-8080 |              |           |                              |          |          |
| 1624   | 03-10-00     | 00310070  | CASE TRASH LINERS 38X58      | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6313.56            -14       |          | 35.36    |
| 1625   | 03-10-00     | 00310070  | CASE KITCHEN TOWELS          | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6313.56            -14       |          | 20.88    |
| 1626   | 03-10-00     | 00310070  | NATURAL BROWN ROLL TOWELS    | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6313.56            -14       |          | 34.66    |
| 1627   | 03-10-00     | 03100701  | COFFEE DECANTER (GLASS)      | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6500.56            -14       |          | 14.56    |
| 1628   | 03-10-00     | 03100701  | CASE COFFEE                  | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6500.56            -14       |          | 65.73    |
| Vendor Total   |              |           |                              |          | \$171.19 |
| <br>(TAWA )            TANYA WALKER                                  |              |           |                              |          |          |
| 1589   | 03-20-00     | 3/28-30   | THREE DAYS MEALS @ \$25 DAY  | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6470.45            -4        |          | 75.00    |
| 1590   | 03-20-00     | 3/28-30   | 360 MILES @ .28 MILE         | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6470.45            -4        |          | 100.80   |
| Vendor Total   |              |           |                              |          | \$175.80 |
| <br>(WALM )            WAL-MART #214                                 |              |           |                              |          |          |
| 1576   | 02-19-00     | 02037     | 6 PACKAGES CASSETTE TAPES    | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6310.403            -34      |          | 47.82    |
| 1618   | 03-01-00     | 03064     | 4 PACKAGES OF 35MM FILM      | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6500.56            -23       |          | 13.68    |
| Vendor Total   |              |           |                              |          | \$61.50  |
| <br>(WEST )            WEST GROUP PAYMENT CENTER    (800)328-4480    |              |           |                              |          |          |
| 1614   | 02-21-00     | 44165817  | TX RLS CT-ST&PED 2000 PAMP   | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6524.403            -32      |          | 29.80    |
| 1645   | 02-02-00     | 43563357  | TX PARKS & WILDLIFE 2000 PAM | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6524.403            -51      |          | 26.00    |
| 1646   | 02-11-00     | 43988064  | TX PRACTICE SERIES 2000 PP   | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6524.403            -42      |          | 65.25    |
| 1647   | 02-21-00     | 44168981  | TX RLS CT-ST&PED 2000 PAM    | A        |          |
|  |              |           | 6524.403            -32      |          | 29.80    |
| Vendor Total   |              |           |                              |          | \$150.85 |

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| (XROX )         | XEROX CORPORATION |           |                     |          |           |
| 1608            | 03-20-00 74035728 |           | MONTHLY BASE CHARGE | A        |           |
|                 |                   |           | 6500.409 -4         |          | 66.00     |
| 1609            | 03-20-00 74035729 |           | MONTHLY BASE CHARGE | A        |           |
|                 |                   |           | 6500.409 -4         |          | 66.00     |
| 1615            | 03-20-00 74035727 |           | MONTHLY BASE CHARGE | A        |           |
|                 |                   |           | 6500.409 -4         |          | 66.00     |
| 1641            | 03-20-00 74035731 |           | MONTHLY BASE CHARGE | A        |           |
|                 |                   |           | 6500.409 -4         |          | 66.00     |
| Vendor Total    |                   |           |                     |          | \$264.00  |
| Total Debits    |                   |           |                     |          | 7724.87   |
| Total Credits   |                   |           |                     |          | 0.00      |
| Total Of Ledger |                   |           |                     |          | \$7724.87 |

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SABINE COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE  
Accounts Payable Ledger  
03-24-00

| Date                                     | Invoice  | PO Number | Description                          | Terms    | Amount    |
|--|----------|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Date Pd                                  | Check No | Reg       | Account                              | Due Stat |           |
| <b>(BIG4 ) BIG "4", INC.</b>             |          |           |                                      |          |           |
| 734                                      | 03-17-00 | 00319011  | ROAD BASE<br>6377.603                | A<br>-7  | 1800.00   |
| Vendor Total                             |          |           |                                      |          | \$1800.00 |
| <br><b>(DJGR ) D. J. 'S GROCERY</b>      |          |           |                                      |          |           |
| 733                                      | 12-17-99 | 1572      | BRAKE FLUID<br>6342.603              | A<br>-98 | 8.50      |
| Vendor Total                             |          |           |                                      |          | \$8.50    |
| <br><b>(DOUB ) DOUBLE R ROCK, INC.</b>   |          |           |                                      |          |           |
| 720                                      | 02-28-00 | 9417      | 60.87 TONS ROAD BASE<br>6377.601     | A<br>-25 | 231.31    |
| 721                                      | J2-28-00 | 9326      | 364.23 TONS ROAD BASE<br>6377.601    | A<br>-25 | 1384.09   |
| Vendor Total                             |          |           |                                      |          | \$1615.40 |
| <br><b>(S ) G-M WATER SUPPLY CORP.</b>   |          |           |                                      |          |           |
| 728                                      | 03-10-00 | 1262      | WATER BILL<br>6440.602               | A<br>14  | 20.10     |
| Vendor Total                             |          |           |                                      |          | \$20.10   |
| <br><b>(GRAY ) GRAY'S WHOLESALE TIRE</b> |          |           |                                      |          |           |
|  |          |           | (800)392 8604                        |          |           |
| 722                                      | 03-14-00 | 946412    | 4 P235/75R15 TIRES<br>6365.601       | A<br>-10 | 107.40    |
| 723                                      | 03-14-00 | 946412    | 2 STEELTEX RADIAL R4S BW<br>6365.601 | A<br>10  | 98.72     |
| Vendor Total                             |          |           |                                      |          | \$206.12  |
| <br><b>(HALL ) HALL SIGNS, INC.</b>      |          |           |                                      |          |           |
|  |          |           | (800)284-7446                        |          |           |
| 724                                      | 03-13-00 | 90131     | 1 SIGN/HANDICAP WARNING<br>6657.601  | A<br>-11 | 34.85     |
| 725                                      | 03-13-00 | 90131     | FREIGHT<br>6657.601                  | A<br>-11 | 7.64      |
| 729                                      | 03-06-00 | 89748     | 2 NO DUMPING SIGNS<br>6657.603       | A<br>-18 | 17.16     |
| 730                                      | 03-06-00 | 89748     | FREIGHT<br>6657.603                  | A<br>-18 | 7.23      |

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| Date  | Invoice Date Pd | PO Number    | Description                    | Reg Account | Due      | Stat | Terms | Amount    |
|---|-----------------|--------------|--------------------------------|-------------|----------|------|-------|-----------|
| Vendor Total  |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | \$66.88   |
| <b>(HFSB ) HEMPHILL FEED &amp; STOCK BARN (409)787-2801</b> |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       |           |
| 726   | 03-09-00        | 74249        | QUART ROUNDUP CONCENTRATE      |             | 6657.602 | -15  | A     | 24.19     |
| 727   | 03-09-00        | 74249        | QUART TRIOX ORTHO VEG KILLER A |             | 6657.602 | -15  |       | 8.99      |
| Vendor Total  |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | \$33.18   |
| <b>(RENT ) RENTAL SERVICE CORPORATION (409)384-6858</b>     |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       |           |
| 731   | 03-02-00        | 3107296 #496 | RENTAL OF ROLLER               |             | 6378.604 | -22  | A     | 484.96    |
| Vendor Total  |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | \$484.96  |
| <b>(WICI ) WILSON CULVERTS, INC. (903)764-5605</b>          |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       |           |
| 732   | 03-16-00        | 31609        | 24X36 16G CULVERT              |             | 6371.602 | -8   | A     | 95.04     |
| Vendor Total  |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | \$95.04   |
| Total Debits  |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | 4330.18   |
| Total Credits   |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | 0.00      |
| Total Of Ledger   |                 |              |                                |             |          |      |       | \$4330.18 |
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 Forest Service  
**PUBLIC ROAD EASEMENT**  
 National Forest Roads and Trails Act,  
 October 13, 1984, (P. L. 98-657)  
 36 CFR 251.50, et seq

THIS EASEMENT, dated this 13th day of March, 2000 from the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; acting by and through the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, hereinafter called Grantor, to SABINE COUNTY JUDGE, hereinafter called Grantee.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Grantee has applied for a grant of an easement under the Act of October 13, 1984 (78 Stat. 1089, 16 U.S.C. 532-538), for a road over certain lands or assignable easements owned by the United States in the County of Sabine, State of Texas, and administered by the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

NOW THEREFORE, Grantor does hereby grant to Grantee an easement for a public road and highway along and across a strip of land, hereinafter defined as the right-of-way over and across the lands in the County of Sabine, State of Texas, as described on Exhibit A attached hereto.

The word "right-of-way" when used herein means said strip of land whether or not there is an existing road or highway located thereon. Except where it is defined more specifically, the word "highway" shall mean roads or highways now existing or hereafter constructed on the right-of-way or any segment of such roads or highways.

The right-of-way is shown and specifically described on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.

This grant is made subject to the following terms, provisions, and conditions:

1. Outstanding valid claims, if any, existing on the date of this grant.
2. The easement herein granted is limited to use of the described right-of-way for the purpose of construction, operation, and maintenance of a highway in accordance with approved plans, specifications, and stipulations described in the following conditions numbered 3 and 4 and does not include the grant of any rights for nonhighway purposes or facilities; Provided, That the Forest Service shall not exercise its right to use or authorize the use of any portion of the right-of-way for nonhighway purposes when such use would interfere with the free flow of traffic or impair the full use and safety of the highway; and Provided further, that nothing herein shall preclude the Forest Service from locating National Forest and other Department of Agriculture information signs on the portions of the right-of-way outside of construction limits.
3. The design and construction of the highway project situated on this right-of-way shall conform with plans, specifications, and written stipulations approved by the Forest Supervisor.
4. Any reconstruction of the highway situated on this right-of-way shall conform with plans, specifications, and written stipulations approved by the Forest Supervisor or authorized representative prior to beginning such reconstruction.
5. Consistent with highway safety standards, the Grantee shall:
  - (a) Protect and preserve soil and vegetative cover and scenic and esthetic values on the right-of-way outside of construction limits.
  - (b) Provide for the prevention and control of soil erosion within the right-of-way and adjacent lands that might be affected by the construction operation, or maintenance of the highway, and shall vegetate and keep vegetated with suitable species all earth cut or fill slopes feasible for revegetation or other

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areas on which ground cover is destroyed. The Grantee shall perform these activities where it is deemed necessary during a joint review between the authorized Forest Officer and Grantee prior to completion of the highway. The Grantee also shall maintain all terracing, water bars, leadoff ditches, or other preventive works that may be necessary to accomplish this objective. This provision also shall apply to waste disposal areas and slopes that are reshaped following slides that occur during or after construction.

6. The Grantee shall:

Establish no borrow, sand, or gravel pits; stone quarry; permanent storage areas; sites for highway-operation and maintenance facilities; camps; supply depots; or disposal areas within the right-of-way, unless shown on approved construction plans, without first obtaining approval of the authorized Forest Officer.

7. The Grantee shall maintain the right-of-way clearing by means of chemicals only after the Forest Supervisor has given specific written approval. Application for such approval must be in writing and must specify the time, method, chemicals, and the exact portion of the right-of-way to be chemically treated.

8. The Grantee does by the acceptance of this document covenant and agree for itself, its assigns, and its successors in interest to the property here granted or any part thereof, that the covenant set forth below shall attach to and run with the land:

- (a) That the Grantee shall operate the described property and its appurtenant areas and its buildings and facilities whether or not on the land therein granted as a public road, in full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to the regulations issued thereunder by the Department of Agriculture and in effect on the date of this document to the end that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, sex, color, religion, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any programs or activities provided thereon; and
- (b) That the United States shall have the right to judicial enforcement of these covenants not only as to the Grantee, its successors and assigns, but also as to lessees and licensees doing business or extending services under contractual or other arrangements on the land therein conveyed.

The Chief, Forest Service, may terminate this easement, or any segment thereof, (1) by consent of the Grantee, (2) by condemnation, or (3) after a five (5) year period of nonuse, by a determination to cancel after notification and opportunity for hearing as prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor, by its Forest Supervisor, Forest Service, has executed this easement pursuant to the delegation of authority to the Chief, Forest Service, 7 CFR 2.60, and the delegation of authority by the Chief, Forest Service, dated August 22, 1984 (49 FR 34283), on the day and year first above written.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BY *Dottie Jones (Peterson)*  
Forest Supervisor  
Forest Service  
Department of Agriculture

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1985, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0586-0082.

This information is needed by the Forest Service to evaluate requests to use National Forest System lands and manage those lands to protect natural resources, administer the use, and ensure public health and safety. This information is required to obtain or retain a benefit. The authority for that requirement is provided by the Organic Act of 1897 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, which authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to promulgate rules and regulations for authorizing and managing National Forest System lands. These statutes, along with the Town Permit Act, National Forest Site Area Permit Act, Granger-Type Act, Mineral Leasing Act, Alaska Town Permit Act, Act of September 3, 1964, Wilderness Act, National Forest Roads and Trails Act, Act of November 16, 1973, Archeological Resources Protection Act, and Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to issue authorizations for the use and occupancy of National Forest System lands. The Secretary of Agriculture's regulations at 36 CFR Part 251, Subpart B, establish procedures for issuing these authorizations.

The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) govern the confidentiality to be provided for information received by the Forest Service.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information, if requested, is estimated to average 1 hour per response for annual financial information; average 1 hour per response to prepare or update operation and/or maintenance plans; average 1 hour per response for inspection reports; and an average of 1 hour for each request that may include such things as reports, logs, facility and user information, address information, and other similar miscellaneous information requests. This includes the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

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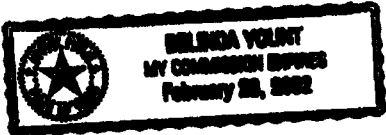
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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF TEXAS            )  
  )  
COUNTY OF ANGELINA    )

This instrument was acknowledged before me on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2000, by  
Betty Jones <sup>her</sup> Acting in his capacity as Forest Supervisor, Southern Region, Region 8,  
Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, and on behalf of the United States of America.

Belinda Yount  
Notary Public in and for  
the State of Texas



(SEAL)

My commission expires:  
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EXHIBIT A

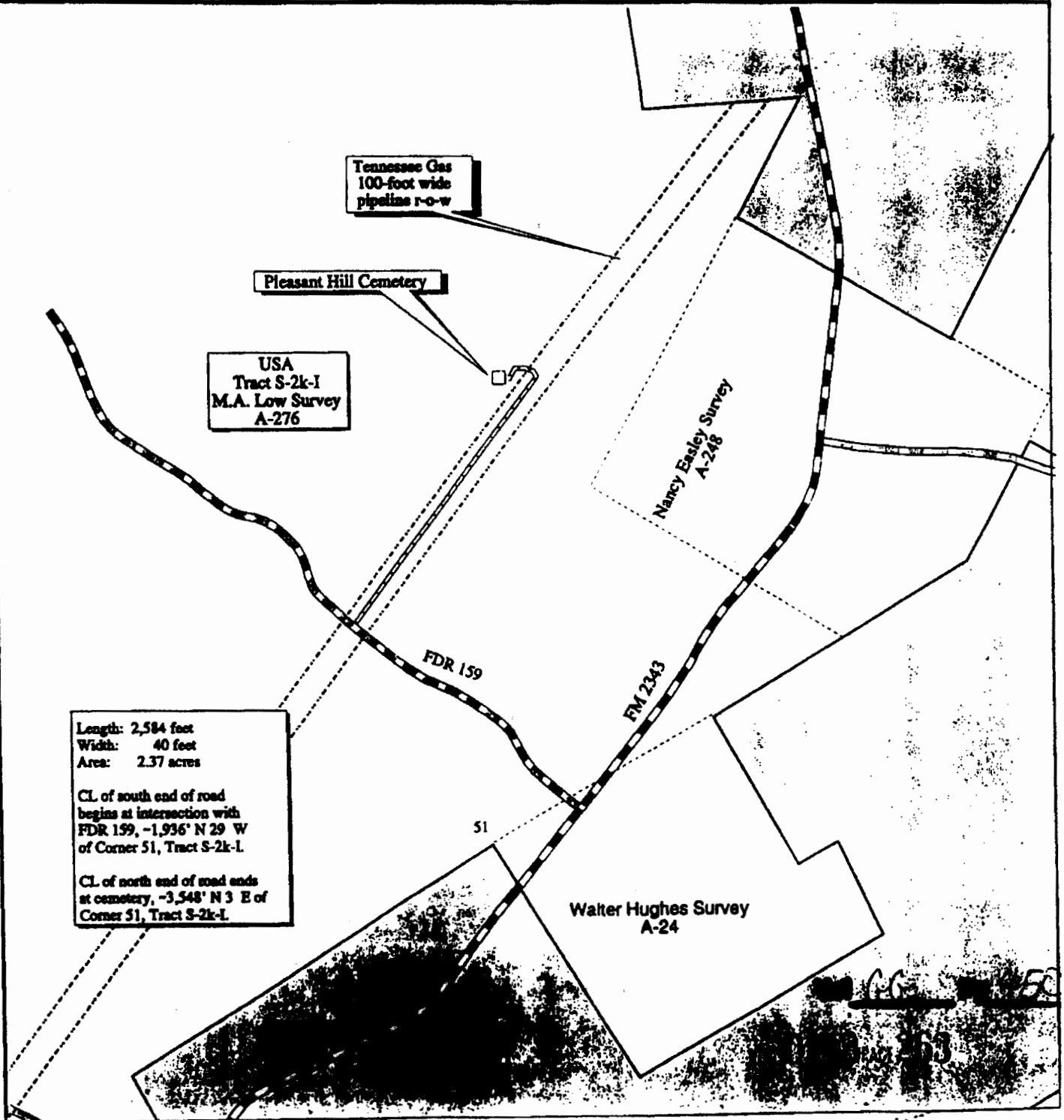
SABINE COUNTY  
Public Road Easement (Proposal)  
Sabine County, Texas  
Sabine National Forest

Tract S-2k-1  
M.A. Low Survey, A-276  
Vol. 39, Pgs. 293-387

Prepared by: Vicki L. Rogers  
Date: December 13, 1999



- Roads
- FM, State Highways
  - Gravel
  - Proposed Road
- Land Ownerships
- Forest Service Lands
  - Non-FS Lands
- Scale: 1:12,000



PUBLIC ROAD EASEMENT  
SABINE COUNTY  
PLEASANT HILL CEMETERY ROAD  
DESCRIPTION

| POINT FROM  | POINT TO  | AZIMUTH | DISTANCE    |
|---|---|---------|-------------|
| FDR 158°<br>Lat: 31°14'39.99640" N<br>Long: 93°50'06.90571" W | 18" x 40' culvert   | 57°     | 5           |
| 18" x 40' culvert   | 18" x 20' culvert   | 40°     | 299         |
| 18" x 20' culvert   | stake   | 37°     | 42          |
| stake   | 24" x 24' culvert   | 38°     | 909         |
| 24" x 24' culvert   | 36" x 26' culvert   | 38°     | 358         |
| 36" x 26' culvert   | stake (2nd)   | 38°     | 611         |
| stake (2nd)   | 18" x 22' culvert   | 354°    | 41          |
| 18" x 22' culvert   | stake in curve  | 347°    | 31          |
| stake in curve  | woodline  | 338°    | 63          |
| woodline  | curve in old road   | 302°    | 31          |
| curve in old road   | old road  | 269°    | 72          |
| old road  | gate**<br>Lat: 31°14'39.99640" N<br>Long: 93°50'06.90571" W | 250°    | 121         |
| <b>TOTAL LENGTH</b>   |   |         | <b>2584</b> |

\* Beginning point is located at 1936 feet N 29° W of Corner 51 of Tract S-2k-l.  
\*\*Ending point is located 3548 feet N 3° E of Corner 51 of Tract S-2k-l.

Road measurements were taken using a GPS unit on 12/08/99.

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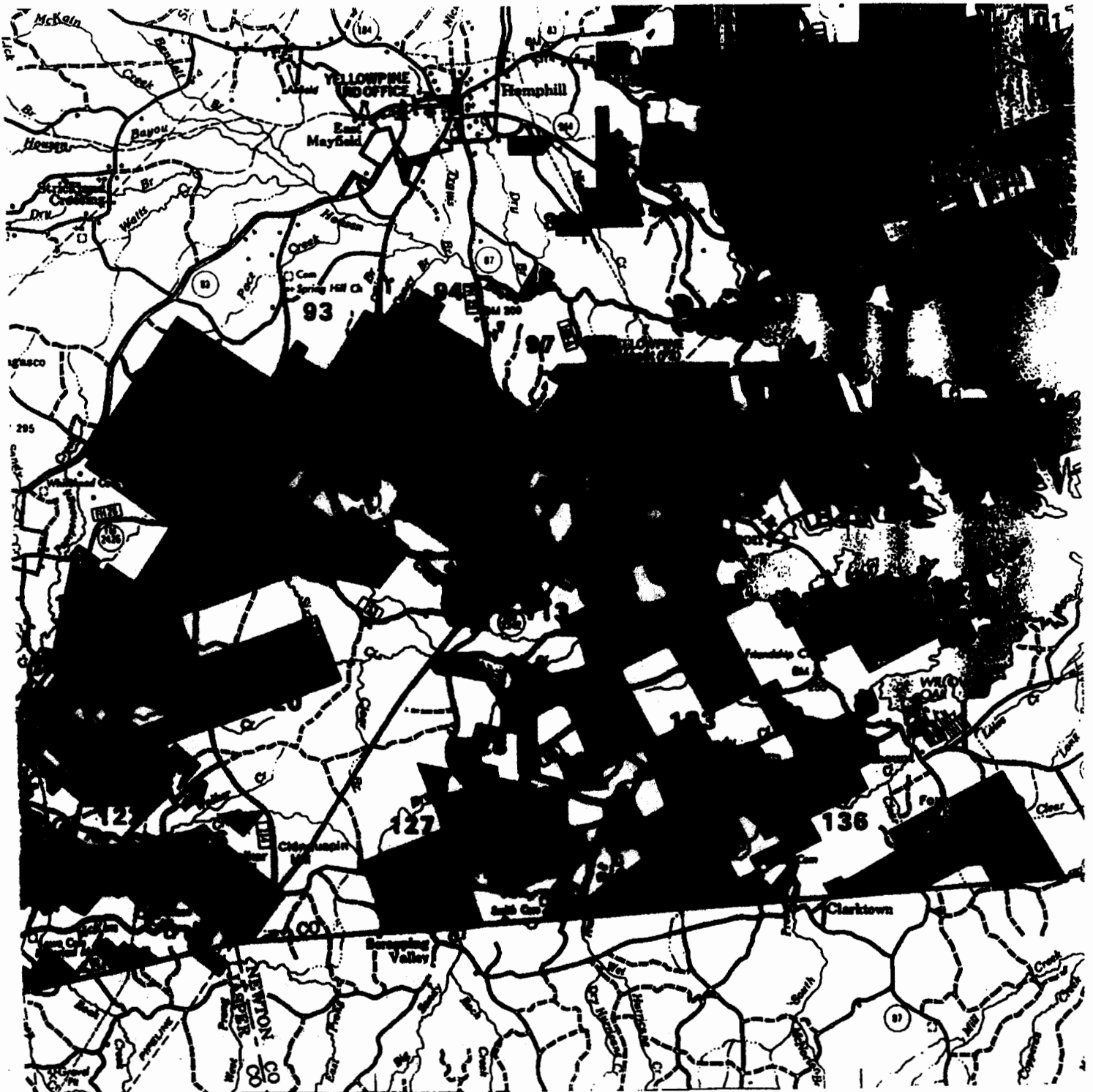
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**VICINITY MAP**

SABINE COUNTY  
Public Road Easement  
Proposal  
Sabine County, Texas  
Sabine National Forest  
Scale: 1/2 inch = 1 mile

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STIPULATIONS

THIS STIPULATION, made this 8 day of March, 2000, by and between Sabine County, acting by and through the County Judge, hereinafter referred to as the County, and USDA Forest Service, acting by and through its authorized representative, hereinafter referred to as the Forest Service.

WHEREAS, the County is engaged in the laying out, construction, operation, and maintenance of a public highway designated as an access road to Pleasant Hill Cemetery, which traverses lands of the United States in the State of Texas, County of Sabine, administered by the Forest Service.

WHEREAS, the County and the Forest Service desire to cooperate in the development and construction of a highway in accordance with the specifications established in the attached Engineering Report and such road will protect adequately and afford adequate utilization of the lands of the United States traversed by the highway for the purposes for which the lands are being administered.

NOW, THEREFORE, supplementary to the terms and conditions of the highway easement deed between the United States, acting through the Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, and the County, the parties hereto agree to carry out the following provisions during the construction stage: (Construction stage is to begin when construction activities commence on lands administered by the Forest Service and end when the Forest Service and the County mutually agree that any work done thereafter will be considered as maintenance, EXCEPT, that the Forest Service reserves the right to reinstate the provisions of this stipulation if the County subsequently submits plans for reconstruction or alteration of the highway.)

The County shall:

1. Before any clearing of the right-of-way or construction of the highway commences:
  - a. Prepare, in cooperation with the Forest Service, a fire protection plan that sets forth in detail the fire prevention, suppression, and suppression measures that will be taken by the Grantee, its employees, contractors, and subcontractors, and their employees, in all operations during the construction stage. The fire plan shall be made available to all bidders prior to letting contract and the Grantee shall cause its contractors to comply with all provisions of the fire plan and of all burning permits issued for disposal of flammable materials.
  - b. Prepare, in cooperation with the Forest Service, a clearing plan that sets forth in detail the procedures and standards that will apply to (1) all clearing and disposal of merchantable timber and young growth in the right-of-way and (2) debris disposal, including debris removal from all streams. Such plan shall include provision for payment by the Grantee or its contractors for the merchantable timber on lands of the United States to be cut, used, or destroyed in the construction of the highway or in clearing of said right-of-way. Payment for merchantable timber shall be at appraised value as determined by the Forest Service: Provided, that the Forest Service may dispose of the merchantable timber to other than the Grantee or its contractors at no stumpage cost to the Grantee or its contractors.
  - c. Prepare, in cooperation with the Forest Service, an erosion control plan with the objective of protecting, restoring or enhancing the roadside landscape, protecting soil, and protecting or reestablishing vegetative cover. Such plan is attached to and made a part hereof, and shall, when appropriate, provide for vegetating cuts, fills, and other areas damaged as a result of highway construction; maintenance or operation; and for terraces, drainage, waste disposal areas, soil replacement, and other related requirements necessary to achieve the objective.
2. Dispose of waste material resulting from slides during and after construction and surplus material at locations approved by the Forest Supervisor. A plan showing the proposed method of disposal shall be submitted by the Grantee at the time approval is requested.
3. Permanently monument the right-of-way in accordance with State requirements for such right-of-way before completing construction, but in any event, the minimum requirements shall be to place permanent

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monuments at the intersection of right-of-way with all property lines, section lines, and at intervals of not more than 1,000 feet along the right-of-way limits.

- 4. Reestablish or restore public land monuments disturbed or destroyed by construction, reconstruction, or maintenance according to instruction of the Bureau of Land Management, Department of Interior. Other land monuments and property corners or witness markers shall not be damaged, destroyed, or obliterated without the prior permission of the Forest Service and shall be relocated or reestablished in accordance with standards satisfactory to the Forest Service.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Stipulation to be executed on the day and year first above written.

SABINE COUNTY  
 By [Signature]  
 Title County Judge

USDA, FOREST SERVICE  
 By [Signature]  
 RONNIE RAUM  
 Forest Supervisor  
 National Forests & Grasslands in Texas  
 Southern Region, Region 8, Forest Service  
 United States Department of Agriculture

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 Clerk, County Clerk, Sabine County  
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THE STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTY OF SABINE  
 I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS INSTRUMENT WAS FILED AND TIMED  
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 AND PAGE OF THE NAMED RECORDS OF SABINE COUNTY TEXAS AS  
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RECORDED 4/5/2000  
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OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS  
 JANICE McDANIEL, COUNTY CLERK  
 SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS  
[Signature] DEPUTY

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 Ret. Sabine County

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EXTENSION ACTIVITY REPORT TO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT  
Miles Traveled 719

Selected Major Activities:

- 2/03/00- Turf Grass Conference, Overton
- 2/05/00- Initial Weigh-in of swine projects, swine nutrition, 18 members, 16 parents
- 2/08/00- Grafting demonstration, A. Martin, methods of grafting plum, peach, 3 attended.
- 2/09/00- Grafting clinic, Beechwood, 5 attended, winter pruning, fertilizing and general Maintenance of fruit trees.
- 2/10/00- Visit project 6 4-H members, discussed nutrition and health of livestock projects.
- 2/11/00- Visit projects 4 members, discussed nutrition/health of livestock projects.
- 2/14/00- Graftwood collection clinic, pecan, W. Russell farm, three attended.
- 2/18/00- Assisted with Pesticide CEU training, Lufkin, 138 attended.
- 2/21/00- Hemphill 4-H club meeting, record books, projects, training conducted, 39 members 24 adults attended.
- 2/28/00- Sabine County Junior Livestock Show Committee meeting, 9 attended. Discussed awards Judges, steak supper fund raiser.
- 2/24/00- Youth Foundation Committee meeting, arena, lighting, 12 attended, new show barn Addition.

23 farm visits, 4 news articles, Office Visits 44, Phone calls 91

Major Plans for Next Month:

- 3/07/00- Secure Show Broilers and Sistribute
- 3/7-10/00- Assist 4-H members in preparing animals for show.
- 3/04/00- Junior Show weigh-in
- 3/11/00- Assist 4-H exhibitors at Newton Show
- 3/17/00- Select show broilers for San Augustine 4-H members show.
- 3/20/00-Hemphill 4-H club meeting
- 3/15/00- Sabine County Horse Club leader meeting
- 3/18/00- Sabine County 4-H Horse club Playday
- 3/23/00- Sabine County Youth Foundation meeting

Name John B. Jones County Sabine  
 Title County Extension Agent Date 3/10/00

Texas Agricultural Extension Service - The Texas A&M University System - Dr. Zerk Carpenter, Director - College Station, Texas

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**TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE**  
The Texas A&M University System  
**MONTHLY SCHEDULE OF TRAVEL**

Name: **John B. Tomer**Title: **County Extension Agent - Ag**County: **Sabine**Month: **February**

| Date  | Scope and description of official travel      | Miles Traveled | No. and amount |         |
|---|---|----------------|----------------|---------|
|   |   |                | Meals          | Lodging |
| 2/3   | Turf Grass Conference Overton                 | 240            | 10.00          |         |
| 2/5   | Junior Show Weigh-in all swine                | 22             |                |         |
| 2/8   | Grafting Phum A. Martin                       | 16             |                |         |
| 2/9   | Grafting Clinic, Beechwood                    | 38             |                |         |
| 2/10  | Visit project, Ellison, Williams, Sorrells    | 42             |                |         |
| 2/11  | Visit project, Ferguson, Johnson, Taylor      | 55             |                |         |
| 2/14  | Collect Graftwood, Woodrow Russell            | 18             |                |         |
| 2/18  | Pesticide License CEU Training Lufkin         | 121            |                |         |
| 2/21  | Demonstration set up D. Griffin Cattle Bokuse | 24             |                |         |
| 2/21  | Hemphill 4-H meeting                          | 22             |                |         |
| 2/24  | Forage Field Day Meeting Weldon Elliott       | 9              |                |         |
| 2/25  | Bryce Demonstration Peach trees               | 24             |                |         |
| 2/28  | Junior Livestock Show Committee meeting       | 22             |                |         |
| 2/24  | Youth Foundation EPC Committee meeting        | 22             |                |         |
| 2/29  | Visit Projects Kenton, Hamilton, Ferguson     | 44             |                |         |
| <b>Grand Total of mileage, meals and lodging columns:</b> |   | 719            | 10.00          |         |

Other expenses in field (list):

I hereby certify this is a true and correct report of travel (mileage) and other expenses incurred by me in performance of my official duties for the month shown.

Date: 3/10/00Signed: *John B. Tomer*

FEEES COLLECTED IN FEBRUARY, 2000

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| JEFF COX, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,<br>PRECINCT #1, PLACE #1           | 4,379.35  |
| DANIEL FEATHERSTON, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE,<br>PRECINCT #2, PLACE #1 | 5,781.98  |
| TANYA WALKER, DISTRICT CLERK                                       | 2,585.50  |
| JANICE MCDANIEL, COUNTY CLERK                                      | 12,191.00 |

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
 March 23, 2000

| FUND   | BALANCE<br>2/24/00 | RECEIPTS   | DISBURSEMENTS | BALANCE<br>3/23/00 |
|--|--------------------|------------|---------------|--------------------|
| GENERAL  | 1,056,540.95       | 325,257.57 | 318,938.10    | 1,062,860.42       |
| CRIMINAL JUSTICE<br>PLANNING                     | 45.00              | 47.53      | 4.50          | 88.03              |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS<br>ADMINISTRATIVE       | 7.00               | 5.51       | 0.70          | 11.81              |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS<br>CONTINUING EDUCATION | 14.00              | 12.02      | 1.40          | 24.62              |
| LAW ENFORCEMENT<br>MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE          | 3.50               | 3.26       | 0.35          | 6.41               |
| COMPENSATION TO<br>VICTIMS OF CRIME              | 2,447.55           | 2,118.20   | 244.76        | 4,320.99           |
| GENERAL REVENUE                                  | 15.00              | 16.26      | 1.50          | 29.76              |
| ARREST FEES                                      | 972.52             | 1,270.65   | 0.00          | 2,243.17           |
| JUDICIAL AND COURT<br>PERSONNEL TRAINING         | 254.60             | 213.63     | 25.46         | 442.77             |
| OPERATOR'S AND<br>CHAUFFEUR'S LICENSE            | 75.00              | 75.00      | 7.50          | 142.50             |
| COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION                     | 15.00              | 10.00      | 1.50          | 23.50              |
| BREATH ALCOHOL TESTING                           | 30.00              | 0.00       | 0.00          | 30.00              |
| RECORD MANAGEMENT FEE                            | 16,792.00          | 335.00     | 0.00          | 17,127.00          |
| COURTHOUSE SECURITY                              | 22,287.97          | 733.12     | 16,557.25     | 6,463.84           |
| CONSOLIDATED COURT COST                          | 2,659.59           | 2,306.03   | 265.96        | 4,699.66           |
| FUGITIVE APPREHENSION                            | 672.53             | 573.54     | 67.26         | 1,178.81           |
| JUVENILE CRIME AND<br>DELINQUENCY                | 33.89              | 28.69      | 3.39          | 59.19              |
| CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES INDIGENT                    | 125.00             | 165.00     | 6.25          | 283.75             |
| TIME PAYMENT                                     | 69.96              | 128.10     | 69.96         | 128.10             |
| BALANCE AS OF 03/23/00                           |                    |            |               | 1,100,164.33       |

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
March 23, 2000

| FUND                     | BALANCE<br>2/24/00 | RECEIPTS  | DISBURSEMENTS | BALANCE<br>3/23/00 |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-----------|---------------|--------------------|
| ROAD & BRIDGE #1         | 284,525.20         | 59,904.42 | 8,996.73      | 335,432.89         |
| ROAD & BRIDGE #2         | 363,690.53         | 59,914.02 | 13,309.79     | 410,294.76         |
| ROAD & BRIDGE #3         | 231,289.46         | 59,633.43 | 10,081.57     | 280,841.32         |
| ROAD & BRIDGE #4         | 295,924.64         | 69,632.20 | 16,467.36     | 349,089.48         |
| ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL #1 | 4,326.52           | 0.00      | 124.60        | 4,201.92           |
| ROAD & BRIDGE SPECIAL #2 | 980.45             | 0.00      | 980.90        | -0.45              |
| BALANCE AS OF 03/23/00   |                    |           |               | 1,379,859.92       |

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
March 23, 2000

| <b>FUND</b>  | <b>BALANCE<br/>2/24/00</b> | <b>RECEIPTS</b> | <b>DISBURSEMENTS</b> | <b>BALANCE<br/>3/23/00</b> |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| DEBT SERVICE   | 75,291.08                  | 41,370.71       | 115,123.99           | 1,537.80                   |
| ANTICIPATION NOTES   | 24,357.29                  | 16,669.20       | 41,026.49            | 0.00                       |
| RECORD RETENTIONS  | 10,921.76                  | 1,326.44        | 0.00                 | 12,248.20                  |
| HOTEL/MOTEL TAX  | 187,030.41                 | 854.06          | 0.00                 | 187,884.47                 |
| ECONOMICALLY DISTRESSED<br>AREA PROGRAM-TEXAS WATER<br>DEVELOPMENT BOARD GRANT | 317.23                     | 1.45            | 0.00                 | 318.68                     |

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**ROBERT G. NEAL, JR.**

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Judge Leath  
Sabine County Judge  
VIA hand delivery

**Question: Can the County use funds from the hotel/motel tax fund to pay through the Chamber of Commerce \$5,350.00 for the purpose of securing a county carnival?**

**Answer: Probably not.**

There are no cases on point addressing this exact issue. However, there are a number of Attorney General opinions that have not allowed such expenditures for funds to improve a county golf course that attracted out of county players; for parking at a cultural arts center; or payments to the Chamber of Commerce.

Despite these decisions, the trend has been to enlarge the area of permissible expenditures.

If the expenditures were challenged it would be in District Court and the standard would be abuse of discretion.

In my opinion, making the expenditure would be going out on a limb. However, if the expenditure is approved, the Commissioner's Court should unanimously approve it and should make an extensive record of our examining the applicable statutes and opinions and decide that the expenditure is within the statutes and opinions and would directly increase tourism by bringing out of county residents to our county. In addition, the court should indicate the benefit the public would receive from the carnival and the tickets that may be donated to the school children. It would also help the case if the Tourist Commission would recommend and/or approve the project.

ROBERT G. NEAL, JR  
Sabine County Attorney

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March 24, 2000

Commissioner's Court  
Sabine County, Texas

Attn: Jack Leath, County Judge

The General Operating Procedures adopted by the Sabine County Tourist Commission requires proposals submitted to the Commission for funding consideration to be presented to the Commissioner's Court after being acted upon by the Commission. Such presentation is to include an indication of the action taken by the Commission.

This will serve as presentation of the below listed proposals which were considered by the Commission during a called meeting on March 24, 2000 and 12:00.

Proposal # 1 submitted by Frank Dutton, owner of toledo-bend.com, an internet-based information site. Mr. Dutton requested the County to allow him to construct, host, and maintain a "small internet site" to become the official internet site for the County at a cost of \$365.00. This site would serve as a gateway to toledo-bend.com where "visitors" could find information regarding the county history, businesses, etc. Also, designation of the site as the "official" Sabine County site would allow links to be created with State agencies related to the travel industry. Please see attachment for more detail.

While the members of the Commission agree that this is a viable way to market the county on the internet and plans for such have been discussed in meetings past, the Commission believes that such an undertaking would best serve the County's interest if it were designed and controlled through a contractual agreement with a third party with which the County has a working relationship.

**The Commission voted unanimously to decline funding this proposal.**

Proposal # 2 submitted by the Sabine County Chamber of Commerce requested \$5,350.00 to fund a county fair for Sabine County. The proposal requested specific allocations for various aspects of the fair project. Please see attachment for more detail. After careful consideration of the requests the Commission concluded that the use of the funds as outlined in the request did not meet the requirements of the rules governing expenditures of the hotel tax revenues. However, the allocation for "advertising" in the amount \$800.00 could be funded out of the tax revenues if a proposal for those funds were specific enough to determine compliance with applicable rules governing hotel occupancy tax revenue use.

**The Commission voted unanimously to decline funding this proposal.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Robert H. Russell, Chairman  
Sabine County Tourist Commission



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# Frank Dutton

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March 16, 2000

Sabine County Commissioners Court  
Hemphill, Texas

Gentlemen;

|                              |             |         |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| NATURE SAVER™ FAX MEMO 016:6 |             | 1/22/00 | 5           |
| To                           | Bob Russell | From    | JUDGE LEATH |
| Des                          |             |         |             |
|                              |             |         |             |
|                              | 787-8307    |         |             |

In conjunction with the recent announcement by DETCOG of a 12 county tourism promotion project, I would like to make a proposal to the Court.

As we are all becoming more aware, the Internet is becoming a more important factor to the whole of the economy every day. This includes tourism.

Currently, there is no strong or vital presence on the Internet for Sabine County in any "official" capacity. Most Texas state agencies that run web sites relating to tourism only want to link to other sites that are officially sanctioned in some way. Typically this means a site owned by a tourism commission or a chamber of commerce. I feel certain that a similar situation will apply as regards the DETCOG efforts at tourism promotion. The bottom line here is that Sabine County is not well represented in any "official" way, for it to put forth a credible presence would be an expensive matter if undertaken from scratch.

However, Sabine County is fortunate in having free access to an already existing resource on the Internet. I refer here to a privately operated Internet web site known as Toledo-Bend.Com. This web site offers a vast amount of information on Sabine County and is already an established presence on the Internet. Please see attached *Exhibit A - Sabine County Information* and *Exhibit B - An Established Internet Presence* for more specific detail about this.

It is my proposal that Sabine County establish its "official" presence on the Internet by taking the following steps:

- Obtain a small web site in the name of the Sabine County Tourism Commission
- Put a brief amount of information about the tourism commission on that site
- Point site visitors to appropriate areas of Toledo-Bend.Com for in-depth and detailed information about Sabine County

What would this accomplish?

- Sabine County would have an "official" presence on the internet
- This official presence can be used to get various Texas State web sites relating to tourism to link to Sabine County

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- This presence can be a focus point for any tourism related material produced with funds from Sabine County as an official web site for county information. This would, of course, especially relate to the DETCOG project.
- This would enable the county to present a wealth of information about the county without having to go to the expense of establishing a large web presence on its own.

What would be the proposed cost?

- I propose that the county pay \$365.00 per year to Toledo-Bend.Com with no ongoing obligation on the part of the county to continue this for any definite period.
  - This fee would cover the initial construction of a small web site for Sabine County Tourism Commission
  - The fee would also include hosting this small site under the Toledo-Bend.Com domain.
  - The fee would help to support the efforts that have already been undertaken for quite some time to effectively promote Sabine County and the whole Toledo-Bend Reservoir area on the Internet.

What would be the effectiveness that would justify such an expenditure?

- Other governmental and "official" web sites will link to a local "official" web site. This will drive more Internet visitors to the Sabine County Tourism Commission web site. In turn, these visitors will be directed to the wealth of information on the county at Toledo-Bend.Com. The net effect is that the county gets to promote itself and present its information at an absolute minimal cost.
- During the calendar year 1999 the Toledo-Bend.Com web site attracted over 39,000 visitors to its main page; thousands more would have by-passed the main page and gone directly into other informational pages through search engine links. As of March 15, 2000 nearly 16,000 visitors had already hit the main page of the Toledo-Bend.Com web site; this portends a trend toward at least twice as many visitors as during the year 1999. 1999 was the first full year of operation for the Toledo-Bend.Com web site. Not only is the site more developed and established, there are also more people using the Internet every year. These factors explain the rise in site visitors and support the expectation that the future bodes even greater increases in traffic.
- The county could not possibly generate such wide spread and diverse dissemination of information about itself for exponentially greater sums than the \$1. per day proposed herein through any other means than is suggested herein.

This web site is already a proven resource in place for the promotion of the county and has effectively been promoting the county for a year and a half. Aside from the additional promotional opportunities this proposal would provide, I think it would be fitting for the county to recognize this contribution and help support the effort.

I hope you will seriously consider this opportunity to effectively, efficiently, and inexpensively help promote Sabine County to the world. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.



Frank Dutton

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## Exhibit A Sabine County Information

There is exponentially more information on Toledo-Bend.Com about Sabine County than at any other source. There is a wealth of information about the whole Toledo Bend area, which helps draw people interested in any part of it. The largest part of all of the information focuses in on Sabine County and includes:

### Historic information and pictures:

- Cemetery Markers
- El Camino Real
- County Jail and Museum
- Courthouse
- Gaines-Oliphint House
- Historic Markers
- McMahan Chapel
- Bronson
- Brookeland
- East Mayfield
- Fairdale
- Geneva
- Gravelton
- Hemphill
- Mahan
- Pendleton
- Pineland
- Sabinetown
- Sabine County

### Other County Information:

- Government Contacts – local, state, federal offices relating to the county
- Local Churches
- Area Healthcare Facilities
- Community Organizations
- Area Parks and Library
- Volunteer Fire Department Listing

### Other Features:

- Self-Guided Road Tours of Sabine County
- Sabine National Forest – most of which is in Sabine county
- Marinas & Boat Launches – most of which are in Sabine County
- Area Calendar of Events
- Art League of Sabine Web Site and Gallery
- Information on the lake itself, including original construction photos
- Current fishing reports, area weather, lake level and temperature

### Special Items:

- Walking Tour of Hemphill – features pictures and information of businesses around courthouse square, pictures and information about Speights Museum, Cedar Tree, the Courthouse and the new seal, etc.
- "Special Places" – including: chocolate sodas at K-C Drugs, Netherly Hardware, Ye Olde Leather Boots

## Exhibit B An Established Internet Presence

What is an "established Internet presence"?

**Visitors:** How many people visit a web site and why are they there? Internet search engines attract millions of visitors per day. They make their money by having advertisements and they advertisers pay based on the number of people viewing their ad and/or "clicking" on it. Business sites may attract dozens, hundreds, or thousands of visitors per day - depending on the business. A local Internet service provider will attract hundreds or even thousands of visitors per day. Currently, the Toledo-Bend.Com web site has about 250 visitors per day to its main page and many more (an unknown number) going directly into other pages within the site. For a site with a local focus, this is a very good number of visitors. As a matter of comparison, this site probably generates as many visitors a week as most Chamber of Commerce web sites for small areas generate in a year.

**Type of Visitors:** People visit web sites for different reasons. Three thousand people a day may visit the main page of an Internet Service Provider. However, they are visiting because this is the page they get when they log onto the Internet. These visits have little relevance to anything. People visit the Toledo-Bend.Com web site for only one reason. These people are going out of their way and gotten to this site on purpose in order to obtain information about this area. In February, 1999 T-B.Com established a guestbook that visitors may sign. T-B.Com has guests who have signed in from Australia (planning to visit this area now), Alaska, the East and West coasts and places between. People have written to the webmaster and signed into the guestbook who are thankful they can "visit" their old home through the Internet and introduce their children to it and who are now planning visits back.

**"Find-ability":** Before anyone will come to a web site to see what is there they must be able to find it. The Toledo-Bend.Com web site operates off the principle that people who are coming to this area probably have no idea of what county they are looking for, most likely they don't even know the name of a town around here. But, they do know about Toledo Bend and Reservoir. When anyone in the world goes to virtually any search engine in the world to look for links to information about the Toledo Bend area, they will find Toledo-Bend.Com listed at or near the top on every one. In most cases this site dominates, far and away, all listings available when someone searches for "Toledo Bend", "Toledo Bend Lake", or "Toledo Bend Reservoir". Yahoo! is the most popular search facility on the Internet. Fully 43% of all searches take place through that single source! With one single exception, EVERYTHING listed on Yahoo for Toledo Bend, Sabine County, etc. is directed to some portion of Toledo-Bend.Com. On the new and highly advertised *iWon.Com* (gives away \$10,000 per day and \$1 Million per month) Toledo-Bend.Com is the number one listing and on those sites ranking popularity it is consistently the most popular site in the lists where it falls.

**Content and Depth:** A presence is also determined by content and depth. The Toledo-Bend.Com web site has a depth and breadth of content that often amazes even veterans of the Internet. Many of the reviews for the nearly 200 awards this site has won mention absolute incredulity at the amount of content on this site.

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**Links From Other Sites:** In addition to being found through search engines, many visitors manage to find a site through links from other sites with related topics. Toledo Bend Com is strong in this area, as well. A number of magazines (Texas Monthly, Home Fishing, Guide to Texas Outside, Fishing and Boating Prime Times, and others) link to Toledo Bend.Com. Other heavily trafficked sites also link to this one - such as Wilder Texas, USA Citylink Project, About.Com - the internet resource for anything you want to know about, U.S. National Forest Campground Guide, and Channel 12 in Shreveport has Toledo Bend Com as its official location for Toledo Bend information. Major Internet fishing sites such as Sportsmans-Paradise.Com and FishingTheOzarks.Com also link to T-B.Com prominently. This site has a presence with many other major Internet sites.



# Sabine County Chamber of Commerce

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March 22, 2000

2350<sup>00</sup>

Robert H. Russell, Chairman  
Sabine County Tourist Commission  
Sabine County, Texas

Dear Mr. Russell,

The Sabine County Chamber of Commerce is planning the Sabine County Fair for October 19 through 21. We would like to apply for funding in the amount of \$5,350.00. The fund will be used in the following manner:

Carnival  
Trash/toilets  
Advertising  
Judges  
Trophies/ribbons  
Raffle prizes

|             |
|-------------|
| 3,000.00    |
| 700.00      |
| 800.00      |
| 500.00      |
| 150.00      |
| 200.00      |
| \$ 5,350.00 |

The carnival is requiring a deposit of \$3,000.00, for which we will get a number of tickets to sell or give away.

A carnival is a large draw and will bring a number of tourists to our county, some of whom may spend the night as the fair is a three day event. Last year we estimate 2,500 people attended the fair, and this year with the carnival we expect to have 5000 attend.

Sincerely,

Lee M. Dutton, Jr.  
President

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WDA:  
 Name of Nominee: James Hoyle  
 Organization Representing: Hoyle Cleaners  
 Position/Title: Owner  
 Address: P.O. Box 1303 Hemphill, TX 75948  
 Telephone Number: Work: 409 787 2392 Fax: 409 787 2392 Home: 409 787 2701  
 Gender:  Male  Female  
 Ethnicity:  White (Non-Hispanic)  Hispanic  Black  
 Asian/Pacific Islander  Native American  Other  
 Private Sector Member Only:  
 Employer TWC Tax Account Number: 75-2606630  
 Number of Employees: 5 employees  
 Nominee Requests TWC Board Training

Please indicate the area the individual represents (Check Only One):

- Private Sector (large 500 employees or more) .....
  - Private Sector Small/For Profit Business (minority - less than 500 employees) .....
  - Other Private Sector .....
  - Education Agency .....
  - Organized Labor (20CFR 628.410(a)(3))\*\* .....
  - Economic Development .....
  - Community-Based Organization (CBO) .....
  - Vocational Rehabilitation Agency .....
  - Public Employment Service (TWC) .....
  - Public Assistance Agency (TDHS) .....
  - Literacy Council .....
  - Adult Basic and/or Continuing Education .....
- Does nominee have expertise in child care or early childhood education? .....

Name of Nominating Organization: Sabine County Chamber of Commerce  
 Address: P.O. Box 717 Hemphill TX 75948  
Street or P.O. Box City State Zip  
 Telephone Number: 409 787 2732 FAX 409 787 2159  
 Signature of President, Director, or other official of nominating organization: Lee Dutton  
Date 3-24-00

Individuals must be nominated by regions or local agencies, institutions/organizations, and represent the geographic, gender, and ethnic diversity of the area (General Appropriations Act, H.B. 1, Article IX, Section 125, 75<sup>th</sup> Legislature, Title 10 Section 2308.255 TX Government Code).

State of Texas  
County of Sabine  
HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THESE DOCUMENTS WERE FILED AND  
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COUNTY, TEXAS



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Deputy

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