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REQUEST FOR AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM

Submission Deadline - Tuesday, 12:00 PM before Court Dates

SUBMITTED BY: Carla Hester

TODAY'S DATE: 11-14-18

DEPARTMENT: County Judge's Office

SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENT HEAD:

REQUESTED AGENDA DATE: 11-26-18

SPECIFIC AGENDA WORDING: Consideration of Authorization of Expenses Incurred Prior to Candidate-Elect Taking Office Pursuant to Local Government Code Section 152.907 for Robert S. Shaw to Attend Mandatory Justice of the Peace Newly Elected Officials Training in December

PERSON(S) TO PRESENT ITEM: County Judge Roger Harmon

SUPPORT MATERIAL: (Must enclose supporting documentation)

TIME:

ACTION ITEM: x
WORKSHOP _____

(Anticipated number of minutes needed to discuss item)

CONSENT: _____
EXECUTIVE: _____

STAFF NOTICE:

COUNTY ATTORNEY: x

IT DEPARTMENT:

AUDITOR: x

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT: x

PERSONNEL: _____

PUBLIC WORKS: _____

BUDGET COORDINATOR:

OTHER: _____

*****This Section to be Completed by County Judge's Office*****

ASSIGNED AGENDA DATE _____

REQUEST RECEIVED BY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE _____

COURT MEMBER APPROVAL _____ Date _____



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THEA WHALEN
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Dear County Judge,

Under Article 27.005 of the Texas Government Code, all newly elected or appointed Justices of the Peace "must complete within one year of taking office, eighty hours of training in the responsibilities of the office and additionally must complete a twenty-hour course each year thereafter." Judges who do not comply with these requirements may have their names reported to the Commission on Judicial Conduct for possible disciplinary actions.

The Texas Justice Court Training Center, affiliated with Texas State University, provides educational opportunities for justices of the peace, constables and court personnel, insuring the credibility of and confidence in the justice courts. Because we receive the funding directly from the State (Court of Criminal Appeals), there is little cost to your county.

The Training Center pays for all lodging expenses when sharing with another student and half the cost when a judge chooses a single room. We also provide some group meals and all instructional material. The registration fee for all 80 hours is \$300 due by February 1, 2019. The eighty hours will be offered in the following format:

Stage I December 9—13, 2018 – Omni Southpark Austin
Stage II January 13—17, 2019 – Austin Marriott South
Stage III April 8—11, 2019 – Omni Southpark Austin

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP IN IDENTIFYING WHO THE NEWLY ELECTED JUDGES ARE! No centralized state agency receives the information soon enough for them to provide us with a list of the new judges. Since the Stage I seminar is in December, we need to send the registration information to the new judges **IMMEDIATELY after the election**. Please notify the newly elected judges to call, write, or fax us their information so we can get them registered. Included in this packet is the registration information for Judges.

The Judge can also go online to www.tjctc.org under the "Registration" tab and fill out the "New Judges Form." Remember, this is **mandatory training offered only at these times**. If you have any questions, please call me at (800) 687-8528. We greatly appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thea Whalen
Executive Director
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public access requirements prescribed by Rule 12, Rules of Judicial Administration.

(a-1) If a person vacates the office of justice of the peace, the person shall transfer all court records, documents, property, and unfinished business to the person's successor on the date the successor takes office. After the transfer, the business of the office must be completed as if the successor had begun the business.

(b) A person who has possession of dockets, books, or papers belonging to the office of any justice of the peace shall deliver them to the justice on demand. If the person refuses to deliver them, on a motion supported by an affidavit, the person may be attached and imprisoned by the order of the county judge until the person makes delivery. The county judge may issue the order in termtime or vacation. The person against whom the motion is made must be given three days' notice of the motion before the person may be attached.

Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 480, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1985.

Amended by:

Acts 2005, 79th Leg., Ch. 711 (S.B. 436), Sec. 1, eff. September 1, 2005.

Sec. 27.005. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS. (a) For purposes of removal under Chapter 87, Local Government Code, "incompetency" in the case of a justice of the peace includes the failure of the justice to successfully complete:

(1) within one year after the date the justice is first elected, an 80-hour course in the performance of the justice's duties; and

(2) each following year, a 20-hour course in the performance of the justice's duties, including not less than 10 hours of instruction regarding substantive, procedural, and evidentiary law in civil matters.

(b) The courses may be completed in an accredited state-supported school of higher education.

Acts 1985, 69th Leg., ch. 480, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1985. Amended by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 802, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 1989; Acts 2001, 77th Leg., ch. 147, Sec. 1, eff. Sept. 1, 2001.

the hearing must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.

(d) At the hearing, the district judge or judges shall set the amount of compensation of the county auditor, assistant auditors, and court reporters considered at the hearing. The vote must be recorded, transcribed, and maintained as a public record.

Added by Acts 1989, 71st Leg., ch. 1169, Sec. 1, eff. Aug. 28, 1989.
Amended by Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1225, Sec. 1, eff. July 1, 2003.

Sec. 152.906. LONGEVITY PAY FOR DEPUTY CONSTABLES. In a county with a population of 190,000 or more, the commissioners court may provide for each county employee or classification of county employee, including, but not limited to, deputy constables, longevity pay, in addition to regular compensation, of \$5 a month, or any other amount determined by the commissioners court, for each year of service in the county, up to and including 30 years.

Added by Acts 1991, 72nd Leg., ch. 773, Sec. 1, eff. Aug. 26, 1991.

Sec. 152.907. CONTINUING EDUCATION EXPENSES FOR COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS. The commissioners court of a county may authorize payment of reasonable continuing education expenses incurred by a county or precinct officer if the expenses are related to the officer's official duties, including expenses incurred by the officer between the general election at which the officer is elected and the beginning of the officer's term of office.

Added by Acts 1999, 76th Leg., ch. 980, Sec. 1, eff. June 18, 1999.

From: Robert Shaw
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2018 11:05 AM
To: Joyce Shaw
Subject: Fwd: Re:

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From: Robert Shaw <~~roberts0007@gmail.com~~>
Date: Fri, Nov 16, 2018 at 10:28 AM
Subject: Re: Re:
To: Villarreal, Laura Estela <lv13@txstate.edu>

Thank you, I got it.

On Fri, Nov 16, 2018 at 10:25 AM Villarreal, Laura Estela <lv13@txstate.edu> wrote:

Hello,

We have emailed you a confirmation letter last week. Below you will find the letter that was emailed:

DATE:11/16/2018

TO: Robert S Shaw

FROM: TJCTC Registrar

This is your confirmation form to attend the Austin, JP Stage I School to be held 12/9/2018 - 12/13/2018

The Seminar Site:

Omni Southpark Austin

4140 Governor's Row

Austin, TX 78744 Phone: (512) 448-2222

***NOTICE**

You are confirmed to attend the 28-Hour New Justice of the Peace Seminar, Stage I, in Austin, TX, at Omni Southpark Hotel from Sunday, December 9, 2018 – Thursday, December 13, 2018. Below is event information and details of your confirmed registration. You may make changes to your registration two weeks prior to the event. Within two weeks, please email all changes to the Registrar, Laura Villarreal, at lv13@txstate.edu.

LOCATION/AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION/PARKING

DIRECTIONS: Individuals will be responsible for their own transportation to and from the hotel. Visit Omni Southpark Hotel website at www.omnihotels.com/hotels/austin-southpark/property-details/directions for driving directions. The address of the hotel is 4140 Governors Row, Austin, TX, 78744. **PARKING:** Self-parking is complimentary. Valet parking is available at \$12 per car at your own expense. **TRANSPORTATION:** Transportation is available from the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport. Contact the Omni Southpark Hotel for more information at 512-530-2242

ROOM RESERVATIONS

RESERVATIONS: TJCTC will book your hotel room reservation one month prior to the event. **DO NOT CONTACT THE HOTEL TO BOOK YOUR RESERVATION.** For any reservation-related questions (additional room nights, change in room type, etc.), please contact Travon Earl at tme1@txstate.edu. Requests for additional room nights outside the seminar dates are based upon availability and on your own for all charges. The contracted group rate is not guaranteed.

ROOM RATE: The contracted room rate is \$110.00 per night plus 15% occupancy tax. When using a personal debit card, funds will be taken out immediately for incidentals. Below are the rooming options that were available to you at the time of registration. 1. Double Occupancy with Participant: Select an attendee from the drop down menu or type their name into the Special Needs box provided. Sharing a room with another participant will be at no cost to you. However, if your roommate does not show up, you will be responsible for paying one half of the contracted room rate plus tax if TJCTC is not notified immediately. 2. Single Occupancy/Share with Spouse: Single, private room option. You (the attendee) will pay one-half of the contracted room rate plus tax (\$55.00 + 15%) per night, and TJCTC will pay the other half. 3. No Room Available: If a room option is not available, please indicate your room preference in the Special Needs box provided.

The following room accommodations have been made for you per your request:

Single Room/Share With Spouse

NOTE: If you wish to arrive a day early or stay an additional day, TJCTC *cannot guarantee rooms will be available or that our room rate will be honored.* Please make arrangements with the hotel directly.

HOTEL REGISTRATION

Hotel check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and check-out is at noon. All guests arriving before 3:00 p.m. will be accommodated as guestrooms become available. Luggage storage can be arranged for those arriving early when rooms are unavailable, and for guests attending functions on departure day.