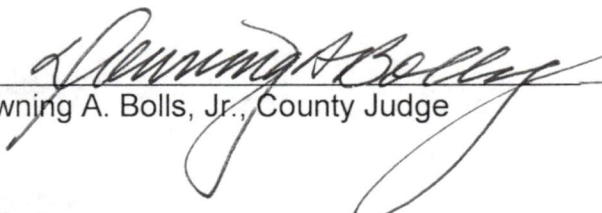


**ORDER PROHIBITING THE SALE AND USE OF AERIAL FIREWORKS  
FOR THE MEMORIAL DAY FIREWORK SEASON  
IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF TAYLOR COUNTY**

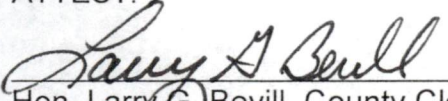
**Whereas, the Texas Forest Service has determined that drought conditions exist within Taylor County, and pursuant to §352.051 of the Local Government Code, the Commissioners Court hereby adopts the following order, effective immediately:**

1. A person commits an offense if he or she intentionally or knowingly, sells, detonates, ignites or in any way uses aerial fireworks in any portion of the unincorporated area of Taylor County.
2. For purposes of this order, aerial fireworks are defined as those items classified under 49 C.F.R. per 173.100 (r) (2) (10-1-86 addition) as "skyrockets with sticks" and those items classified as "rockets" or "missiles".
3. A person commits an offense if he or she intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly detonates, ignites, or in any way uses fireworks on a county road or in the right-of-way of a county road.
4. If the landowner's permission is obtained prior thereto, persons may detonate, ignite, or use approved fireworks on private property in unincorporated areas of the county, as long as:
  - a. The person using the fireworks is not intoxicated as defined in Section 49.01 (2) of the Texas Penal Code
  - b. Reasonable precautions are taken concerning proximity to structures and flammable vegetation,
  - c. Children are adequately supervised by adults, and
  - d. Water is readily available for extinguishing fires.
5. A person commits an offense if he or she intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly violates any prohibition or regulation established by this Order.
6. An offense under this Order is a Class C Misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$500.00.
7. This order expires on the date the Texas Forest Service determines drought conditions no longer exist in the county or at midnight, May 31, 2022, whichever is earlier.

APPROVED this 10th day of May, 2022, by the Taylor County Commissioners' Court.

  
Downing A. Bolls, Jr., County Judge

ATTEST:

  
Hon. Larry G. Bevill, County Clerk

