# The office of County Treasurer

# **Legal Authority of the Office**

- History of the office
- Current constitutional/statutory authority
  - Texas Constitution, Article 16, Section 44
  - Texas Local Gov't Code, Chapters 83 & 113
- Combination of other officials' duties

# **Assuming Office**

- Election
- Requirements to hold Office
- Bonding Requirements
  - Local Government Code 83.002
- Funding

## **Educational Requirements**

#### **Mandatory**

- Continuing Education
  - LGC 83.003
  - 20 hours per year
- Public Funds Investment Act
  - Government Code Chapter 2256
  - 10 hours every 2 years

#### **Discretionary**

- County Investment Officer
  - Any county official
  - varied amount of con't edu. based upon number of years you have been certified
  - 20 15 hours per year

- Statutory Responsibilities
  - (Local Government Code Chapter 113)

## **County Banker**

- Daily Cash Management
  - Accounts Receivable
  - Banking Corrections
- Liaison between bank and county departments
  - New Accounts
  - New Users
- Bank Reconciliation
- Fraud Prevention
- Depository Contract

### Jury

- Periodic Payments to Jurors
  - Weekly
  - Monthly
- Charitable
  Organization Donation
  Administration

### **Quarterly Reports**

State Fees & Fines

## **Payroll**

- Timekeeping
- Production of Payroll
- Benefit Accrual Administrators
- Direct Deposit Programs
- Benefits/Deductions Payable
- Garnishment Administrators
- Quarterly 941's to IRS
- Annual W2's

#### HR Admin.

- Job/Applicant Processing
- Job Classification
- Compensation
- Benefits Administrator
- Compliance
- Development of Personnel Policies
- Training
- Workers Compensation
- Unemployment
- Risk Management

#### **Investments**

- Daily Investment Decisions
- Preservation of Principle
- Ensures proper liquidity of funds
- Investment Policy

- County Budgets
- Grants & Contracts
- County Indebtedness
- Accounts Payable
  - Vendor/Supplier Payments
  - Validates authenticity of invoices
  - Validates appropriate funding allocation
  - Submits claims to Commissioners Court for Approval and Recording
  - Disburses Payments
  - 1099's to IRS

## Other Duties

- Indigent Health Care Claims Processing
- Collections
- Holds Collateral for Bail Bond Companies
- Hotel / Motel

## Review

- Outline current legal authority
- Examine procedure for assuming office
- Explain basic responsibilities

#### Resources

- www.county.org
- http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/
- http://www.oag.state.tx.us
- http://www.americanpayroll.org