ATASCOSA COUNTY JUDGES REPORT

I want to talk to you about some recent events, now. We have had several difficult challenges in Commissioner's Court in the last few months. We had to replace an EMS Director, do a difficult evaluation on the County Indigent Health Coordinator and vote to appoint a Constable for a vacant Constable position. In all of these challenging situations, I have found that our four (4) Commissioners listen, discuss the options and facts, and I observed them make their decision. I can find no fault with any of them. Even if they disagree with each other or with me, they have been polite, thoughtful and considerate of each other. We have worked through these cases and they have made the best decisions they could on their own conscience and the behalf of the Precincts they represent and their constituents.

I find it so unfortunate that just a select few out there have been insulting in their comments, especially on social media. Some, especially one, has been throwing around obscene insults and some but thankfully not many, have chimed in and agreed. This is such bad form. I do not think the public as a whole likes or condones this kind of nasty action. If people keep seeking their goals and issues with vitriol, hate and anger people will reject that. They need to examine what kind of person they want to be seen as. Because that is the way the public will perceive them. "What goes around truly does come around." Always remember, when pointing an accusatory finger at someone else you have three (3) fingers on the same hand pointing back at yourself. We should always be aware that the same way we treat others can and will come back on us. Jesus of Nazareth said it very well as quoted by the writer in the following:

Quote: **Matthew 7:1-5** ¹"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ²For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. ³"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye?

Thank you for listening.

We want you to be proud of your county government.