

MINUTES OF MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
COMMISSIONERS COURT
WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 MAIN STREET, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 2nd FLOOR
QUITMAN, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
March 5, 2024 – 9:00 A.M.

STATE OF TEXAS]
COUNTY OF WOOD]

BE IT REMEMBERED that the Commissioners' Court of Wood County, Texas met in regular session on the date and time last written, with the following members present:

KEVIN WHITE, COUNTY JUDGE
VIRGIL HOLLAND, JR., COMMISSIONER PCT. #1
JERRY GASKILL, COMMISSIONER PCT. #2
MIKE SIMMONS, COMMISSIONER PCT. #3
RUSSELL ACKER, COMMISSIONER PCT. #4 - Absent
KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK and
TERRI SELLARS, COUNTY AUDITOR

Judge White presided for the following business, to-wit:

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME.

Judge White called to order this Regular Session of the Commissioner's Court.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

James Hervey, Quitman, Tx., requested that the court implement and enforce the new environmental laws of Texas in Wood County.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE PERSONNEL ACTIONS.

The personnel actions were presented to the Court for approval.
The personnel actions were unanimously acknowledged by Judge White and all Commissioners.
See copies of the personnel action forms attached to these minutes.

NOTE: As of this Commissioner's Court Minutes (7/12/19) Payroll will not be an agenda item but will be an attachment under Claims. See SB 354 and Order for Disbursement of Salaries and Routine Office Expenses approved by the Commissioner's Court on 6/28/19

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LINE-ITEM TRANSFERS AND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

No action on this agenda item.

6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

Listings of claims were previously presented to each member of the Court and made available to the public for inspection. Claims were presented as follows:

Accounts Payable	\$657,426.36
Direct Claims Paid	19,228.05
Health and Dental- (ck#94325-94407)	138,259.76
Payroll #5-24	467,878.00
Voided Check-3/5/24	300.00

The claims were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Gaskill and second by Commissioner Holland.

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT.

Daphne Carter, County Treasurer, presented to the court the Treasurer’s Report for month ending November 2023 and requested the courts approval.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Treasurer’s Report for month ending November 2023. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Treasurer’s Report for month ending November 2023 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Treasurer’s Report for month ending November 2023 is attached to these minutes.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RACIAL PROFILING REPORT FOR WOOD COUNTY CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Racial Profiling Report for Wood County Criminal District Attorney’s Office. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Racial Profiling Report for Wood County Criminal District Attorney Office is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Racial Profiling Report for Wood County Criminal District Attorney Office is attached to these minutes.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE ORDER OF ASSIGNMENT BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE TO THE 402ND DISTRICT COURT OF WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Order of Assignment by the Presiding Judge to the 402nd District Court of Wood County, Texas. Commissioner Holland seconded that motion and all members voted “aye”.

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WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Order of Assignment by the Presiding Judge to the 402nd District Court of Wood County, Texas is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Order of Assignments are attached to these minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDER AUTHORIZING MEMORIAL DAY FIREWORK SALES.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Order Authorizing Memorial Day Firework Sales. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Order Authorizing Memorial Day Firework Sales is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Order Authorizing Memorial Day Firework Sales is attached to these minutes.

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DONATIONS MADE TO THE WOOD COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION.

Ulna McWhorter, WCHC Chair, requested that the court acknowledge two donations made to the Wood County Historical Commission.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to acknowledge the two donations made to the Wood County Historical Commission. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the acknowledgement of the two donations made to the Wood County Historical Commission are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the letters/donations are attached to these minutes.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE LAKE COUNTY PLAYHOUSE, INC. AS A TEXAS HISTORIC LANDMARK, PURSUANT TO SECTION 11.24 OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the tax exemption for the Lake Country Playhouse, Inc. as a Texas Historic Landmark, Pursuant to Section 11.24 of the Texas Property Tax Code. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the tax exemption for the Lake Country Playhouse, Inc. as a Texas Historic Landmark, Pursuant to Section 11.24 of the Texas Property Tax Code is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the letter from Ted Beaty requesting tax exemption for the Lake Country Playhouse, Inc. as a Texas Historic Landmark, Pursuant to Section 11.24 of the Texas Property Tax Code is attached to these minutes.

13. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PCT. 4 CONSTABLE REPORT.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of Pct. 4 Constable Report. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Pct.4 Constable Report is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Pct. 4 Constable Report is attached to these minutes.

14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIKE-KIND TRADE OF VEHICLES FOR THE WOOD COUNTY

Lt. Miles Tucker, WCSO, presented to the court for consideration a Like-Kind Trade of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff’s Office.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Like-Kind Trade of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff’s Office. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Like-Kind Trade of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff’s Office is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Like-Kind Trade of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff’s Office is attached to these minutes.

15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF 4 TAHOES FOR WOOD COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPT. FROM RURAL SHERIFF’S OFFICE SALARY ASSISTANCE GRANT.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the purchase of 4 Tahoe’s for Wood County Sheriff’s Dept. from Rural Sheriff’s Office Salary Assistance Grant. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the purchase of 4 Tahoe’s for Wood County Sheriff’s Dept. from Rural Sheriff’s Office Salary Assistance Grant is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the request from the WCSO is attached to these minutes.

16. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBER LISTING OF THE UPPER SABINE VALLEY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of adding John Whitsell and Dodd Burum to the Upper Sabine Valley Solid Waste Management Board Member Listing. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that John Whitsell and Dodd Burum be added to the Upper Sabine Valley Solid Waste Management Board Member Listing is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Upper Sabine Valley Solid Waste Management Board Member Listing is attached to these minutes.

17. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF QUITMAN FOR STREET REPAIRS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreement with City of Quitman for street repairs ending December 31, 2024. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement with City of Quitman for street repairs ending December 31, 2024 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #24-1 is attached to these minutes.

18. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF QUITMAN FOR MOWING AT THE WATER TREATMENT LAGOONS AND SOME WATER AND SEWER RIGHT OF WAYS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Quitman for mowing at the water treatment lagoons and some water and sewer right of ways ending December 31, 2024. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Quitman for mowing at the water treatment lagoons and some water and sewer right of ways ending December 31, 2024 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #24-2 is attached to these minutes.

19. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF YANTIS FOR ROAD WORK/REPAIRS, MOWING AT THE SEWER PLANT/ WATER WELL EASEMENTS, SAND, GRAVEL, AND OIL SAND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreement with City of Yantis for road work/repairs, mowing at the sewer plant/water well easements, sand, gravel, and oil sand ending December 31, 2024. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement with City of Yantis for road work/repairs, mowing at the sewer plant/water well easements, sand, gravel, and oil sand ending December 31, 2024 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #24-3 is attached to these minutes.

20. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ROAD PERMIT #2289 FOR PRECINCT 2.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of Road Permit #2289 for Precinct 2. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

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WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Road Permit #2289 for Precinct 2 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Road Permit #2289 for Precinct 2 is attached to these minutes.

21. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AWARDDING BID # 2024-001 FOR USED TANDEM DUMP TRUCK FOR PRECINCT #3.

Commissioner Simmons informed the court that the awarding of the bid would be postponed to a later date.

22. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF OAKWOOD MEADOWS SUBDIVISION.

Misty Goldman, County Commissioners Office Manager, informed the court that all documentation was complete and requested that the 12 lot Oakwood Meadows Subdivision be approved. Owner, Melinda Prince, was present at the meeting.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Oakwood Meadows Subdivision. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Oakwood Meadows Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER SECTION 551.071.

23. UPDATES REGARDING PENDING OR THREATENED LITIGATION.

Judge White called the court into Executive Session at 9:22 a.m.

Judge White went back into Regular Session at 9:49 a.m.

19. TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

No action taken.

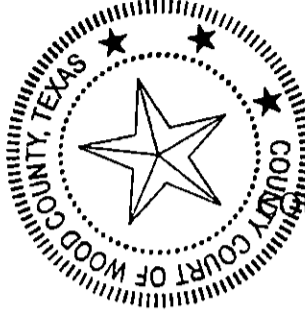
A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to adjourn. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on 5th day of March, 2024 with Judge Kevin White, County Judge, presiding.

I, KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS

COURT IN AND FOR WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS do hereby certify that the forgoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Commissioner Court in session on the 5th day of March, 2024.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 5th day of March, 2024.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Kelley Price".

KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS