

MINUTES OF MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
COMMISSIONERS COURT
WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 MAIN STREET, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 2nd FLOOR
QUITMAN, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
November 12, 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
KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK and
STEPHANIE TIDWELL, ASST. 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

Patricia Simpson, Quitman, Tx. resident, commended Laura Wise, Election Administrator, and her office for the great job they did during the election.

J.D. McMullen, Longview, Tx., informed the court that the civil case fees being collected by Wood County and being sent to the State is unnecessary. He explained how this money can be saved and offered his Pro Bono services. Mr. McMullen provided a folder to the commissioners with more detailed information.

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 taken 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	\$ 941,450.60
Direct Claims Paid	16,915.23
Health and Dental	0
Payroll #23-24	486,185.53
Voided Checks	2953.77

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

7. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE REPORTS.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Constable Reports for the month of October. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Constable Reports for the month of October is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Constable Reports for the month of October is attached to these minutes.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RATIFICATION OF ORDER LIFTING THE PROHIBITING OF OUTDOOR BURNING DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2024.

Judge White informed the court that on November 5, 2024 due to the drought conditions no longer existing within the county and being in agreement with the Wood County Fire Marshal that the drought conditions no longer existed signed an Order Lifting the Prohibiting of Outdoor Burning.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Ratification of the Order Lifting the Prohibiting of Outdoor Burning. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Ratification of the Order Lifting the Prohibiting of Outdoor Burning is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Order Lifting the Prohibiting of Outdoor Burning is attached to these minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE LAKE HOLBROOK LAKE HOUSE.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Lease Agreement for the Lake Holbrook Lake House. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Lease Agreement for the Lake Holbrook Lake House is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Lease Agreement for the Lake Holbrook Lake House is attached to these minutes.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LIBRARY CONTRACTS FOR FY 2025.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Library Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman, and City of Winnsboro. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Library Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman, and City of Winnsboro is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Library Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman, and City of Winnsboro are attached to these minutes.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS FOR FY 2025.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Volunteer Fire Department Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, Coke Pleasant Grove, Hainesville, Holly Lake, Lands End, Perryville, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Volunteer Fire Department Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, Coke Pleasant Grove, Hainesville, Holly Lake, Lands End, Perryville, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Volunteer Fire Department Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, Coke Pleasant Grove, Hainesville, Holly Lake, Lands End, Perryville, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis are attached to these minutes.

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

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

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.

A copy of the Order of Assignment by the Presiding Judge to the 402nd District Court of Wood County, Texas is attached to these minutes.

14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT UNDER SECTION 791.001 BETWEEN WOOD COUNTY AND CITY OF HAWKINS TO SELL USED PATROL VEHICLE TO THE CITY OF HAWKINS FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreement under Section 791.001 between Wood County and City of Hawkins to sell a used patrol vehicle to the City of Hawkins Fire Department. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreement under Section 791.001 between Wood County and City of Hawkins to sell a used patrol vehicle to the City of Hawkins Fire Department is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Interlocal Agreement #24-16 is attached to these minutes.

15. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A NEW LAKE QUITMAN PIER PERMIT LOCATED WITHIN BURCH S, TRACT 66.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of a new Lake Quitman Pier Permit located within Burch S, Tract 66. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the new Lake Quitman Pier Permit located within Burch S, Tract 66 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the new Lake Quitman Pier Permit located within Burch S; Tract 66 is attached to these minutes.

16. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A NEW LAKE HOLBROOK PIER PERMIT LOCATED WITHIN BRUNER’S RETREAT SUBDIVISION.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of a new Lake Holbrook Pier Permit located within Bruner’s Retreat Subdivision. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Lake Holbrook Pier Permit located within Bruner’s Retreat Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Lake Holbrook Pier Permit located within Bruner’s Retreat Subdivision is attached to these minutes.

17. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 1 & 2 WITHIN THE WAYNE BYLEY SUBDIVISION #20.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator for Commissioners, presented to the court the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 1 & 2 within the Wayne Byley Subdivision #20 set for 12/20/24 with published

dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 1 & 2 within the Wayne Byley Subdivision #20 set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 1 & 2 within the Wayne Byley Subdivision #20 set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

18. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 59 & 60 LOCATED WITHIN LAKE BRENDA ESTATES.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator, for Commissioners, presented to the court a public hearing for the Revision of Lots 59 & 60 located within Lake Brenda Estates set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 59 & 60 set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 59 & 60 located within Lake Brenda Estates set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

19. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 355 & 356 PART III, SECT II, LOCATED WITHIN HOLLY LAKE RANCH SUBDIVISION.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator for Commissioners, presented to the court a public hearing for the Revision of Lots 355 & 356 Part III, Sect II, located within Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 355 & 356 Part III, Section II, located within Holly Lake Ranch set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the public hearing date for the Revision of Lots 355 & 356 Part III, Sect II, located within Holly Lake Ranch Subdivision set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online set for 12/20/24 with published dates for 11/21/24, 11/27/24, 12/5/24 and 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

Judge White made an announcement following court encouraging everyone to go by the Wood County Historical Commission “Open House”. (see attached flyer)

EXECUTIVE SESSION under Section 551.071:

No Executive Session.

20. UPDATES REGARDING PENDING OR THREATENED LITIGATION.

No Action Taken.

Open Session:

21. TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.


No Action Taken.

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

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on the 12th day of November, 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 12th day of November, 2024.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 12th day of November, 2024.


KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS

