

MINUTES OF MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
COMMISSIONERS COURT
WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 MAIN STREET, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 2nd FLOOR
QUITMAN, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
November 26, 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

None.

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	\$ 666,363.92
Direct Claims Paid	1,332.61
Health and Dental	432,118.28
Payroll #24-24	549,690.77
Voided Checks	10,174.50

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

7. APPROVE OF FIRE MARSHALL SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR FY 2025.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Fire Marshall Service Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

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

Copies of the Fire Marshall Service Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis are attached to these minutes.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR FY 2025.

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

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

Copies of the Emergency Management Services Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro and City of Yantis are attached to these minutes.

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

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of Volunteer Fire Department Contracts for FY 2025

with City of Hawkins, City of Mineola and Ogburn. Commissioner Holland 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 Hawkins, City of Mineola and Ogburn is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Volunteer Fire Department Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Hawkins, City of Mineola and Ogburn are attached to these minutes.

10. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AD VALORUM TAX CONTRACTS FOR FY 2025.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Ad Valorum Tax Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Winnsboro, City of Yantis, City of Quitman, Alba-Golden ISD, Big Sandy ISD, Harmony ISD, Hawkins ISD, Winnsboro ISD, Quitman ISD, Union Hill ISD, Yantis ISD, Wood County Emergency District #1, Hospital, and USVSWMD. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Ad Valorum Tax Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Winnsboro, City of Yantis, City of Quitman, Alba-Golden ISD, Big Sandy ISD, Harmony ISD, Hawkins ISD, Winnsboro ISD, Quitman ISD, Union Hill ISD, Yantis ISD, Wood County Emergency District #1, Hospital, and USVSWMD is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Ad Valorum Tax Contracts for FY 2025 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Winnsboro, City of Yantis, City of Quitman, Alba-Golden ISD, Big Sandy ISD, Harmony ISD, Hawkins ISD, Winnsboro ISD, Quitman ISD, Union Hill ISD, Yantis ISD, Wood County Emergency District #1, Hospital, and USVSWMD are attached to these minutes.

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF XEROX LEASE AGREEMENT FOR THE WOOD COUNTY AUDITOR’S OFFICE.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Xerox Lease Agreement for the Wood County Auditor’s Office. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Xerox Lease Agreement for the Wood County Auditor’s Office is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Xerox Lease Agreement for the Wood County Auditor’s Office is attached to these minutes.

12. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF UPDATES TO RULES AND PROCEDURE, CONDUCT AND DECORUM FOR COMMISSIONERS COURT 2025.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the updates to Rules and Procedures, Conduct and Decorum for Commissioners Court 2025. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Rules and Procedures, Conduct

and Decorum for Commissioners Court 2025 are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Rules and Procedures, Conduct and Decorum for Commissioners Court 2025 is attached to these minutes.

13. ACKNOWLEDGE THE WOOD COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT FISCAL YEAR 2024 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL REPORT.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department Fiscal Year 2024 Statement of Financial Report. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department Fiscal Year 2024 Statement of Financial Report is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department Fiscal Year 2024 Statement of Financial Report is attached to these minutes.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE THE WOOD COUNTY CSCD FISCAL YEAR 2024 STATEMENT AND FINANCIAL POSITION.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to acknowledge the Wood County CSCD Fiscal Year 2024 Statement and Financial Position. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the acknowledgement of the Wood County CSCD Fiscal Year 2024 Statement and Financial Position is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County CSCD Fiscal Year 2024 Statement and Financial Position is attached to these minutes.

15. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALE THROUGH PURPLE WAVE AUCTION.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of surplus equipment sale through Purple Wave Auction. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the surplus equipment sale through Purple Wave Auction is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the agreement is attached to these minutes.

16. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A NEW LAKE HAWKINS PIER PERMIT LOCATED WITHIN THE RUSSELL SUBDIVISION.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve a new Lake Hawkins Pier Permit located within the Russell Subdivision. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the new Lake Hawkins Pier Permit located within the Russell Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the permit is attached to these minutes.

17. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 84 & 85 WITHIN THE NORTHEAST PROPERTIES SUBDIVISION.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator, for Commissioners, presented to the court a public hearing for the Revision of Lots 84 & 85 within the Northeast Properties Subdivision with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 84 & 85 within the Northeast Properties Subdivision with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of Lots 84 & 85 within the Northeast Properties Subdivision with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

18. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 34, 34L, 35, & 35L WITHIN HOLLY LAKE RANCH.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator, for Commissioners, presented to the court a public hearing for the Revision of Lots 34, 34L, 35, & 35L within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 34, 34L, 35, & 35L within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of Lots 34, 34L, 35, & 35L within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

19. SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE REVISION OF LOTS 524 & 525R, COUNTRY HOUSE NO. 1, SEC. IV, LOCATED WITHIN HOLLY LAKE RANCH.

Morgan Dougherty, Subdivision Coordinator, for Commissioners, presented to the court a public hearing for the Revision of Lots 524 & 525R, Country House No. 1, Sec. IV, located within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Revision of Lots 525 & 525R, Country House

No. 1, Sec. IV, located within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Revision of 524 & 525R, Country House No. 1, Sec. IV, located within Holly Lake Ranch with a date set for 1/7/25 with published dates being 12/5/24, 12/12/24, 12/19/24 with 30 days online is HEREBY APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION under Section 551.071:

20. COUNTY OF WOOD V. PURDUE PHARMA, L.P., ET AT., MDL PRETRIAL CAUSE NO. 2018-63587, IN THE 152D DISTRICT COURT OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

Judge White called the court into Executive Session at 9:14 a.m.

Open Session:

21. CONSIDERATION OF AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE OR OTHER AUTHORIZED OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE SETTLEMENT PARTICIPATION AND RELEASE FORMS REGARDING SETTLEMENT OFFERS FROM KROGER IN THE MATTER OF TEXAS OPIOD MULTI-DISTRICT LITIGATION FOR THE COUNTY IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY OF WOOD V. PURDUE PHARMA, L.P. ETAL.

Judge White called the court back into Regular Session at 9:56 a.m.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve authorizing the County Judge or other authorized officials to execute the settlement participation and release forms regarding settlement offers from Kroger in The Matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District Litigation for the County in the Matter of County of Wood V. Purdue Pharma, L.P. Etal. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that approve authorizing the County Judge or other authorized officials to execute the settlement participation and release forms regarding settlement offers from Kroger in The Matter of Texas Opioid Multi-District Litigation for the County in the Matter of County of Wood V. Purdue Pharma, L.P. Etal. Is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Order and Exhibit A are attached to these minutes.

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on the 26th 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 26th day of November, 2024.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 26th day of November, 2024.



Kelley Price

KELLEY PRICE

COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS