

MINUTES OF MEETING-REGULAR SESSION
COMMISSIONERS COURT
WOOD COUNTY COURTHOUSE
100 MAIN STREET, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM, 2nd FLOOR
QUITMAN, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS
DECEMBER 10, 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
TERRI SELLERS, 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.

None.

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

The line-item transfers and budget amendments to the 2024 budget were presented by the Auditor for consideration.

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

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	\$897,731.06
Direct Claims Paid	66,488.15
Health and Dental- (ck#95993-96090)	481,465.62
Payroll #25-24	641,804.27
Voided Checks	64,355.01

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, Treasurer, presented to the court the Treasurer’s Report for September 2024 and requested the courts approval.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Treasurer’s Report for September 2024. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

Wherefore it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Treasurer’s Report for September 2024 is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Treasurer’s Report for September 2024 are attached to these minutes.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ADJUSTED TCERS PLAN AGREEMENT FOR PLAN YEAR 2025.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the adjusted TCERS Plan Agreement for Plan Year 2025. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the adjusted TCERS Plan Agreement for Plan Year 2025 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the adjusted TCERS Plan Agreement for Plan Year 2025 is attached to these minutes.

9. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF CONSTABLE REPORTS.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Constable Reports for November 2024. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Constable Reports for November 2024 are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Constable Reports for November 2024 are attached to these minutes.

10. PRESENTATION OF RETIRING ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Judge White recognized and presented flags to retiring elected officials including Constable Steve Bowser (24 yrs of service), Commissioner Virgil Holland (12 years of service), Constable Kelly Smith (23 years of service) and Carol Taylor (31 years and 8 months of service).

11. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF RETIREMENT OF K-9 MATA PER CONTRACT WITH K-9 OFFICERS, INC.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Resolution of Retirement of K-9 Mata per contract with K-9 Officers, Inc. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADUDGED and DECREED that the Resolution of Retirement of K-9 Mata per contract with K-9 Officers, Inc is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of Resolution, #17-24, Retirement of K-9 Mata per contract with K-9 Officers, Inc is attached to these minutes.

12. PRESENTATION OF COLLECTIONS REPORT BY LINEBARGER, GOGGAN, BLAIR & SAMPSON, LLP.

Richard Brand, partner with Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP., presented to the court a Delinquent Tax Collection Report.

No action taken.

13. PRESENTATION ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION OPPORTUNITY FOR WOOD COUNTY BY J.D. MCMULEN. THE TEXAS RESOLUTON, PLLC.

Mr. Mc Mullen was not able to attend.

No action taken.

14. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2025-2026 REAPPOINTED AND NEWLY APPOINTED MEMBERS TO THE WOOD COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the 2025-2026 reappointed and newly appointed members 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 2025-2026 reappointed and newly appointed members to the Wood County Historical Commission are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the list of 2025-2026 reappointed and newly appointed members to the Wood County Historical Commission is attached to these minutes.

15. CONSIDER AND APPROVE PURCHASE OF GOLF CART BY THE IT DEPARTMENT.

John Bell, IT Administrator, presented to the court a quote to purchase a golf cart to use for transporting equipment from the IT building to the courthouse as needed.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the purchase of the golf cart by the IT Department. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the purchase of the golf cart by the IT Department is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the quote to purchase is attached to these minutes.

16. CONSIDER AND APPROVE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN WITH HEALTH FIRST.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve of the Employee Health Benefit Plan with Health First. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Employee Health Benefit Plan with Health First is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Employee Health Benefit Plan with Health First is attached to these minutes.

17. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDMENT 1 TO THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN WITH HEALTH FIRST.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of Amendment 1 to the Employee Benefit Plan with Health First. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Amendment 1 to the Employee Benefit Plan with Health First is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the amendment is attached to these minutes.

18. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDMENT 2 TO THE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN WITH HEALTH FIRST.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of Amendment 2 to the Employee Benefit Plan with Health First. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Amendment 2 to the Employee Benefit Plan with Health First is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the amendment is attached to these minutes.

19. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF WOOD COUNTY HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR FY 2025.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2025. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Health Insurance

Premiums for FY 2025 are HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2025 is attached to these minutes.

20. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DONATION FROM THE SABINE RIVER AUTHORITY TO THE WOOD COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE BASSMASTER TOURNAMENT.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the donation from the Sabine River Authority to the Wood County Economic Development Corporation for the Bassmaster Tournament. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the donation from the Sabine River Authority to the Wood County Economic Development Corporation for the Bassmaster Tournament is HEREBY APPROVED.

21. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE CEDAR CREST ESTATES PHASE III SUBDIVISION.

Misty Goldman, Office Manager for Commissioners, presented to the court the Cedar Crest Estates Phase III Subdivision. Ms. Goldman informed the court that all documentation was complete and that the owners were present.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve the Cedar Crest Estates Phase III Subdivision. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Cedar Crest Estates Phase III Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

22. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF HEAVENLY ACRES PHASE II SUBDIVISION.

Misty Goldman, Office Manager for Commissioners, presented to the court the Heavenly Acres Phase II Subdivision. Ms. Goldman informed the court that all documentation was complete and that the owners were present.

Commissioner Holland made a motion to approve the Heavenly Acres Phase II Subdivision. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Heavenly Acres Phase II Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

23. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GOLDEN ACRES NO. 9A SUBDIVISION.

Misty Goldman, Office Manager for Commissioners, presented to the court the Golden Acres No. 9A Subdivision. Ms. Goldman informed the court that all documentation was complete and that the owners were present.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve the Golden Acres No. 9A Subdivision. Commissioner Holland seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Golden Acres No. 9A Subdivision is HEREBY APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION under Section 551.071:

24. UPDATES REGARDING PENDING OR THREATENED LITIGATION.

Judge White informed the court there would be no Executive Session.

25. TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION.

None.


A motion was made by Commissioner Simmons to adjourn. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted “aye”.

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on 10th day of December, 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 10th day of December, 2024.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 10th day of December, 2024.




KELLEY PRICE
COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS