

Minutes
Regular Session, Commissioners Court
Wood County Courthouse
100 Main Street, Wood County Courtroom, 2nd Floor
Quitman, Wood County, Texas
March 18th, 2025 9:00 AM

Call to Order and Welcome

Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

No vote will be taken on this Item. Public Comment note: Anyone wishing to address the Court during Public Comments is required to register before the meeting. A speaker's time is limited to 3 minutes and must follow the rules of decorum adopted by the Court. THE COURT CANNOT DELIBERATE OR ACT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

1. Acknowledge personnel actions.

Personnel Actions were read by Judge White and unanimously acknowledged by the court. See copies of the Personnel Action Forms attached to these minutes.

2. Discuss, consider and/or take action regarding the Auditor or Financial Matters: Budget Transfers and Budget Amendments

None

3. Discuss, consider and/or take action to Authorize Payment 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:

<u>ACCOUNTS PAYABLE</u>	<u>\$ 393,455.45</u>
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<u>DIRECT CLAIMS PAID</u>	<u>55,723.85</u>
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<u>HEALTH AND DENTAL (CK#96619-#96727)</u>	<u>137,180.81</u>
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<u>VOIDED CHECKS</u>	<u>40.21</u>
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<u>PAYROLL #06-25</u>	<u>485,512.46</u>
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The claims were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Gaskill and second by Commissioner Bowring.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

4. Consider approval of Proclamation; proclaiming March 18th, 2025 as Wood County Courthouse Celebration Day.

Jim Phillips, Wood County Historical Commission, requested that the court approve of the Proclamation proclaiming March 18th, 2025 as Wood County Courthouse Celebration Day.

Judge White read the Proclamation.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the proclaiming March 18th, 2025 as Wood County Courthouse Celebration Day. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED the Centennial Proclamation dated March 18th, 2025 as Wood County Courthouse Celebration Day is HEREBY APPROVED.

The Proclamation is attached to these minutes.

CONSENT AGENDA

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and non-controversial and may be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion or action on any of the items unless desired by any member of the Court in which the item will be taken off the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon in a single motion.

4. Consider approval of Treasurer's Report.
5. Consider approval of Constable Reports.
6. Consider approval of Road Permit # 2306 located within Pct. 3.
7. Consider approval of Road Permit # 2307 located within Pct. 3.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Consent Agenda items. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Consent Agenda items are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Consent Agenda items are attached to these minutes.

REGULAR AGENDA

Items on the Regular Agenda may be moved or changed in the order presented by the Presiding Officer.

8. Consider and approval Interlocal Agreements for May 3, 2025 Local Elections.

Laura Wise, Election Administrator, presented to the court Interlocal Agreements for May 3, 2025 Local Elections and requested approval.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Interlocal Agreements for May 3, 2025 Local Elections. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Interlocal Agreements for May 3, 2025 Local Elections are HEREBY APPROVED.

Interlocal Agreements #25-4, #25-5, #25-6, and #25-7 are attached to these minutes.

9. Consider and approve the FY 25 Solid Waste Grant Agreement between Wood County, Texas and The East Texas Council of Governments and take necessary action.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the FY 25 Solid Waste Grant Agreement between Wood County, Texas and The East Texas Council of Governments. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 25 Solid Waste Grant Agreement between Wood County, Texas and The East Texas Council of Governments is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the FY 25 Solid Waste Grant Agreement between Wood County, Texas and The East Texas Council of Governments is attached to these minutes.

10. Consider and Approve Legacy Lakes Estates Subdivision located within Pct. 2.

Morgan Dougherty, Asst. Office Manager for Commissioners, presented to the court Legacy Lakes Estates Subdivision located within Pct. 2 and requested the courts approval. Ms. Dougherty informed the court that all documentation was completed and that the owner was present.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of Legacy Lakes Estates Subdivision located within Pct. 2. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Legacy Lakes Estates Subdivision located within Pct. 2 is HEREBY APPROVED.

Judge White called the Wood County Commissioner Court into Executive Session at 9:14 A.M.

Judge White returned to Regular Session at 9:40 A.M. and resumed court.

11. Review, Reconsider and/or discuss the legal validity of the awarding of FDP #001-2025 for Inmate Communication Services on February 14th, 2025 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to rescind the award, of FDP #001-2025 for Inmate Communication Services on February 14th, 2025 to NCIC as well as a motion to rescind all bids received from this date. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the motion to rescind the award, of FDP #001-2025 for Inmate Communication Services on February 14th, 2025 to NCIC as well as a motion to rescind all bids received from this date is HEREBY APPROVED.

12. Consider and approve to advertise for RFPs for Inmate Communication Devices and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of advertisement for RFPs for Inmate Communication Devices. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the advertisement for RFPs for Inmate Communication Devices is HEREBY APPROVED

13. Discuss and consider granting Special Permission for construction below 10-foot-high water mark on Lake Quitman. Property is described as Lot 7, a .729-acre plat in the Narrows Addition, 434 R.E. Neill Survey, Volume 2110., Page 37 in the Official Records; Wood County, Texas located within Pct.1.

Discussion was had between Mr. Reynolds, legal counsel for The Noblett's, Trey Norris, owner of Cowboy Steel Construction, The Noblett's, property owners, and the Commissioners Court.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to deny granting Special Permission for construction below 10-foot-high water mark on Lake Quitman. Property is described as Lot 7, a .729-acre plat in the Narrows Addition, 434 R.E. Neill Survey, Volume 2110., Page 37 in the Official Records; Wood County, Texas located within Pct.1. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that granting Special Permission for construction below 10-foot-high water mark on Lake Quitman, described as Lot 7, a .729-acre plat in the Narrows Addition, 434 R.E. Neill Survey, Volume 2110., Page 37 in the Official Records; Wood County, Texas located within Pct.1 is HEREBY DENIED.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

NOTICE

If, during the course of this meeting covered by this notice, the Court should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Court is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session authorized by Section 551.071 through 551.076 Texas Government Code will be held by the Court at the date, hour, and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Court may conveniently meet in such closed or executive meeting or session concerning any and all objects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 through 551.076 Texas Government Code. Should any final action, final decision, or final vote be required in the opinion of the Court with regard to any matter considered in such closed meeting or executive session, then such final action, final decision, or final vote shall be at either:

1. The open meeting covered by this notice upon reconvening of this public meeting, or
2. At a subsequent public meeting of the Court upon notice thereof; as the Court shall determine.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER 551.071-551.076

1. Discuss any pending or threatened litigation issues
2. Consultation with Attorney.

Executive Session took place after Agenda item #10

OPEN SESSION

3. Take necessary action from the Executive Session

NONE

ADJOURN

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

Minutes were taken and prepared by Kelley Price, County Clerk on the 18th day of March, 2025 with Judge Kevin White, County Judge, presiding.

I, KELLEY PRICE, COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK FOR 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 18th day of March, 2025.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 18th day of March, 2025.




KELLEY PRICE

COUNTY CLERK, WOOD COUNTY, TEXAS