Minutes

Regular Session, Commissioners Court Wood County Courthouse 100 Main Street, Wood County Courtroom, 2nd Floor Quitman, Wood County, Texas Tuesday, September 16, 2025 9:00 AM

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 written, with the following members present:

KEVIN WHITE, COUNTY JUDGE
JUSTIN BOWRING., 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 called to order and presided for the following business, to-wit:

Call to Order and Welcome Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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
- 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.

<u>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	\$1,281,253.26
DIRECT CLAIMS PAID	1,666.39
HEALTH AND DENTAL (CK#97848-#97956)	172,309.48
VOIDED CHECKS	22.60
PAYROLL #19-25	501,149.54

<u>The claims were unanimously approved upon a motion by Commissioner Simmons and second by Commissioner Acker.</u>

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS- None

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. NONE
- 5. Consider approval of Constable Reports.
- 6. Consider approval of Environmental Officer's Reports.
- 7. Acknowledge Order of Assignment by the Presiding Judge to the 402nd District Court of Wood County, Texas.

<u>Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Consent Agenda items. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

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 approval of Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditor and Court Reporter for FY 2026.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditor and Court Reporter for FY 2026. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditor and Court Reporter for FY 2026 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Order Setting Compensation for County Auditor, Assistant County Auditor and Court Reporter for FY 2026 is attached to theses minutes.

9. Consider approval of FY 2026 Department Compensation Schedules.

<u>Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the FY 2026 Department Compensation Schedules. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 2026 Department Compensation Schedules is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the FY 2026 Department Compensation Schedules are attached to these minutes.

10. Consider approval of FY 2026 Classification Compensation Schedule.

<u>Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the FY 2026 Classification Compensation Schedule. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the FY 2026 Classification Compensation Schedule is HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the FY 2026 Classification Compensation Schedule are attached to these minutes.

11. Consider approval of Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

<u>Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2026. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2026 is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Health Insurance Premiums for FY 2026 is attached to these minutes.

12. Consider approval of Library Contracts for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

<u>Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve of the Library Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman & City of Winnsboro for FY 2026. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Library Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman & City of Winnsboro FY 2026 are HEREBY APPROVED.

<u>Copies of the Library Contracts for FY 2026 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Quitman & City of Winnsboro are attached to these minutes.</u>

13. Consider approval of Fire Marshall Service Contracts for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Fire Marshall Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis for FY 2026.

Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Fire Marshall Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis for FY 2026 are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Fire Marshall Contracts for FY 2026 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis are attached to these minutes.

14. Consider approval of Emergency Management Services Contracts for FY 2026 and take necessary action.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Emergency Management Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis for FY 2026. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Emergency Management Contracts with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis for FY 2026 are HEREBY APPROVED.

Copies of the Emergency Management Contracts for FY 2026 with City of Alba, City of Hawkins, City of Mineola, City of Quitman, City of Winnsboro & City of Yantis are attached to these minutes.

15. Discuss and Consider approval of request to amend the original amount of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department's budget for unexpected Detention Costs and take necessary action.

Thomas Vick, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, requested to amend the original amount of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department's budget for unexpected Detention Costs.

Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of Thomas Vick, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, request to amend the original amount of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department's budget for unexpected Detention Costs. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

A copy of the letter requesting to amend the original amount of the Wood County Juvenile Probation Department's budget for unexpected Detention Costs is attached to these minutes.

16. Discuss and Consider approval of the Wood County Economic Development FY 2026 Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Grant Recommendations for awards and take necessary action.

Wood County Economic Development Director, Christine Thomas, presented to the court the Wood County Economic Development FY 2026 Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Grant Recommendations for awards and requested approval.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Wood County Economic Development FY 2026 Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Grant Recommendations for awards. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Wood County Economic Development FY 2026 Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Grant Recommendations for awards is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Wood County Economic Development FY 2026 Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) Grant Recommendations for awards is attached to these minutes.

17. Consider approval of the Master Service Agreement between Encore Communications, LLC d/b/a EDSuite and Wood County, Texas and take necessary action.

Wood County Economic Development Director, Christine Thomas, presented to the court the Master Service Agreement between Encore Communications, LLC d/b/a EDSuite and Wood County, Texas and requested approval.

Pat Daly, Asst. District Atty, informed the court that the District Attorney's office had not reviewed the requested changes. Ms. Thomas informed the court that there were three (3) changes requested to be made by the District Attorney's Office and that those changes were made.

<u>Commissioner Simmons made a motion to approve of the Master Service Agreement between Encore Communications, LLC d/b/a EDSuite and Wood County, Texas. Commissioner Acker seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".</u>

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Master Service Agreement between Encore Communications, LLC d/b/a EDSuite and Wood County, Texas is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Master Service Agreement between Encore Communications, LLC d/b/a EDSuite and Wood County, Texas is attached to these minutes.

18. Set Public Hearing for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone.

Judge White Informed the court that originally a public hearing had been set for 9/30/25 but due to the Commissioner's Court Meeting being changed for that date due to a lack of a quorum the new public hearing will be set for 10/14/25. Judge White informed the court that publication would be made and letters would be sent out to the taxing entities for the re-scheduled public hearing.

Commissioner Gaskill made a motion to approve of the Public Hearing set for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone on 10/14/25 with publications and letters sent out to the taxing entities for the re-scheduled public hearing. Commissioner Bowring seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Public Hearing set for the Designation of the Wood County Airport as a Reinvestment Zone on 10/14/25 with publications and letters sent out to the taxing entities for the re-scheduled public hearing is HEREBY APPROVED.

19. Discuss and consider for approval an agreement between Capital Fleet Solutions and Wood County, Texas for the purchase and finance of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff's Office and take necessary action.

Sheriff Kelly Cole presented to the court an agreement between Capital Fleet Solutions and Wood County, Texas for the purchase and finance of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Cole informed the court due to Ford recalls he felt it a necessity to replace and purchase a fleet of twelve (12) vehicles with SB22 Funds and County Funds. Sheriff Cole advised the court that the approval of the agreement between Capital Fleet Solutions and Wood County, Texas would allow them to start the process and get a formal proposal. He also noted Flowers and Davis, Attys., had reviewed the contract paperwork and had no problems with it.

Commissioner Bowring made a motion to approve the agreement between Capital Fleet Solutions and Wood County, Texas for the purchase and finance of vehicles for the Wood County Sheriff's Office to allow the process to start so that a formal proposal could be presented to the court. Commissioner Gaskill seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the agreement between Capital Fleet Solutions and Wood County, Texas for the purchase and finance of vehicles for the Wood

County Sheriff's Office to allow the process to start so that a formal proposal could be presented to the court is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the request from the Wood County Sheriff's Office is attached to these minutes.

20. Discuss and consider approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Inmate Telephone Services Agreement between Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, d/b/a IC Solutions and Wood County, Texas and take necessary action.

<u>Capt. Dahlman, WCSO Jail Admin., presented to the court an Amendment No. 1 to the Inmate Telephone Services Agreement between Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, d/b/a IC Solutions and Wood County, Texas.</u>

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve of the Amendment No. 1 to the Inmate Telephone Services Agreement between Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, d/b/a IC Solutions and Wood County, Texas. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it was ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Amendment No. 1 to the Inmate Telephone Services Agreement between Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, d/b/a IC Solutions and Wood County, Texas is HEREBY APPROVED.

A copy of the Amendment No. 1 to the Inmate Telephone Services Agreement between Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC, d/b/a IC Solutions and Wood County, Texas is attached to these minutes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

21. Public Hearing for Bigfoot's Hideaway RV Park located within Pct. 4 and take necessary action.

Judge called the Public Hearing in session at 9:45 a.m.

Misty Goldman, Office Manager for Commissioners, informed the court that this was a twenty (20) lot rental, all documentation was complete and the owners and developer were present.

Public comments began with Leslie Burnell informing the court that she was a neighbor and did not receive a notice but that she was concerned with the traffic, crime it would bring into the area and that she was against the development. Laura Funk, neighboring landowner, noted that she was against the development and expressed her concerns of her quality of life and asked if the renters would be vetted for sex offenders or other crimes. She said she felt disregarded. Stacy Woods, neighboring property owner, informed the court that she was a single mother and owned livestock across the fence. She informed the court that three (3) other parks are nearby and that they were rarely filled.

James & Misty Deluco, Developer and Landowner, informed the court that they also lived on the property and assured those making public comments that the RV park would be more upscale and they would check into privacy fencing or trees for privacy of adjoining properties.

<u>Commissioner Acker noted that the Commissioners Court had set rules in place for these RV Parks but they could not lawfully stop growth in the county.</u>

Judge White closed the public hearing at 10:18 a.m.

Commissioner Acker made a motion to approve the Bigfoot's Hideaway RV Park located within Pct. 4. Commissioner Simmons seconded the motion and all members voted "aye".

WHEREFORE it is ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Bigfoot's Hideaway RV Park located within Pct. 4 is HEREBY APPROVED.

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

1. Discuss any pending or threatened litigation issues Consultation with attorney

OPEN SESSION

2. Take necessary action from the Executive Session

Judge called the court into Regular Session. No action taken.

ADJOURN

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 the 16th day of September, 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 16th day of September, 2025.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this the 16th day of September, 2025.

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